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The unexpected note, Cuckoo! again
And again came down the budding vale;
It is the voice of spring among the trees,
That tells of lengthening days, of coming blooms;
It is the symphony of many a song.
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She, sole of all the innumerous feathered tribes,
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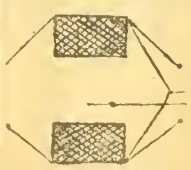

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BUFFS and yellows, cocks and hens, greens, variegated and cinnamons, in cards in open; few clear hens, cocks 15/-, hens 7/6 each: Long, 39, Chipping-st., Longsight, Manchester. (1997)

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OVERSTOCKED.—Grand prize-bred buff cock, good colour and wings, 7/6; nicely marked yellow hen, even-marked strain, 3/-, sacrifice the pair for 8/6; will breed winners; approval: Burton Bros., 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E. (1997)

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A FEW grand Belgian birds for sale: Apply, John Walmsley, Horse Shoe, Ormskirk, Lancs. (1)

BELGIAN and Yorkshire cross, yellow cocks and hens, buff cocks and hens: Welch, 93, Fox-rd., Sheffield. (1993)

BELGIANS, several good birds for sale, from my well-known winners; cheap; approval: Horrill, King Edward-st., Barnstaple. (1990)

SEVERAL grand Belgians, disposal, including first-class yellow cocks and hens; cheap; approval: George Baker, Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (1997)

BUFF Belgian cock, 1914, 3rd Scottish National, cheap; or exchange young yellow hen; mutual approval: Buchan, 10, Promenade-ter., Portobello, Midlothian. (2000)

BELGIANS, buff cocks and hens, also yellow cocks, same strain as Scottish National winners, reasonable; approval: F. Butts, 12, Lower Maudlin-st., Barnstaple. (1976)

BELGIANS, yellow cock, winner, and buff hen, cheap; would exchange for pair of first-class Scotch Fancies; yours first; mutual approval; stamp: Dix, Yeo Vale, Barnstaple. (1993)

GRAND high-shouldered young Belgians for sale, same strain my winners Scottish Derby and Barnstaple this season; cheap; approval.—A. Baker, 35, Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (5)

Crests and Crestbreds.

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CREST and Crestbred cocks, no hens; stamp reply: Boulter, 32, Palmerston-rd., West Hampstead, N.W. (1991)

TWO 1914 buff variegated Crestbred hens for sale, 7/6 each; good stock: H. Whyte, 5, Bellfield-st., Dundee. (1991)

BIG feathery 1913 Green Crested-bred cock, 9/6, worth double; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B.

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TWO massive Crested cocks, heavy marked, even-marked, good Crest, 25/- each; on approval: Twigg, Coxon-st., Spondon. (1992)

J. MEMMOTT offers a few good Crests and Crestbreds from 15/- each; approval: 55, Meersbrook-rd., Heeley, Sheffield. (1985)

G. WARD offers two variegated Crestbred cocks at 12/6 each; fine birds: 62, Freegrove-rd., Caledonian-rd., London. (1993)

CRESTBRED cocks from 5/6, Crested cocks 7/6 and upwards; also hens from 4/6: T. Pennock, 14, Trafalgar-st. West, Scarborough. (2000)

WILLIAM PAUL has three pairs of Crests, all 1914 bred, for sale, 50/- a pair; inspection invited: Co-operative Buildings, Uphall. (2)

CRESTED cocks and hens, also Crest-bred hens, grand show and stock birds; stamp; approval: Angus McDougall, Carronvale-rd., Larbert. (1976)

CREST and Crest-breds, pairs from 12/- to 30/-; several green hens from 6/-; approval; stamp: Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (1976)

CRESTS; Crestbreds, related to my winners, from 7/6; approval; 4 young hens, as feeders, 7/- lot: Bewick, 44, Milton-st., South Shields. (1990)

LARGE Crest-bred cock Canary, double-breeding cage, fully equipped, large metal flight cage, 15/-; bargain: Browning, Highfield, Lymington. (1997)

NOTICE: Grand lot Crests and Crest-breds for show or breeding, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas.

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CRESTS, Crest-breds, from my winners, sell cheap, from 7/6; approval; or exchange for African Grey Parrot and cage: Bewick, 44, Milton-st., South Shields. (1997)

CRESTS and Crestbreds for sale; I have the cream of the Fancy, all first-class birds; price from 15/-; stamp reply; J. Bostock, 136, St. Ann's Well-rd., Nottingham. (1984)

CRESTS and Crest-breds, several good pairs at reasonable prices; few single birds cheap; unflighted dark crest cock, 10/-: William Tatman, Midland-rd., Wellingborough.

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ONLY 4 cocks and 2 hens left; cocks 5/6 to 7/6; hens, 2/6 and 3/6; also Crestbred cock, 7/6; Crested hen, 4/6; all approval; cash or deposit: Dack, Worlingham, Beccles. (1990)

ON account of giving up the Fancy I have the whole of my stock of high-class Crests and Crest-breds for sale; approval: H. Cowpertwait, 11, Trevitt-st., Nottingham. (1998)

HIGH-CLASS Crests, few good birds for sale, best blood in England, 35 years breeder of the best, judge of many shows, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1976)

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SEVERAL young buff coppy hens, fine birds, 10/-; one, 7/6; cocks, 12/6; very large variegated Crestbred cock, 12/6; all approval: J. Day, Fornham-rd., Bury St. Edmunds. (4)

BUFF Plainhead cock, nest brother to L.C.B.A. winner, 30/-; splendid buff Coppy cock, 25/-; extra large buff Plainhead cock, 25/-; 1914 bred; all can win in best of company; would exchange either of the above for a good 1914 Coppy hen; approval: Minty, Stony-st., Frome. (1997)

BUFF Coppy, Buff Plainhead cocks, few Buff Coppy, Buff Plainhead hens, 10/- each; Lancashire Norwich cross buff hen, 4/-, two buffs, 3/-; two yellows, 4/-; Norwich hens, bred Mules, yellow Siskin Mule cock, 5/-; twice house-moulted hen Bullfinch, 4/-; ditto Redpoll cock, 1/6, big birds: Kay, 12, Hollins-rd., Moulesfield. (1)

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THREE smart yellow green Border cocks, unflighted, only 10/6 each: Walker, 197, Great Homer-st., Liverpool. (1994)

TO make room for breeding stock, I can spare a few pairs of Yorkshires at 15/- pair; first come first served: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

CHAMPION Norwich for sale, winner outright G.C.A. cup, 3 firsts, second, etc., last Palace show; prices reasonable: L. F. Harding, 29a, Market-st., Wellingboro. (1992)

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WANTED Norwich: Pearson, Greenwich. (3)

1914 NORWICH cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon, Glam. (1961)

NORWICH hen Canaries, 2/6 each, over moult: Mrs. Osborne, Woolton Hill, Newbury. (1995)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

STILL a few good Norwich hens left, from 4/-: R. Galbraith, 162, Hospital-st., Glasgow. (2)

NORWICH Canaries, hens from 3/-, cocks from 5/-: Dowson, Cathedral Close, Norwich. (1990)

FOUR yellow Norwich cocks, bred 1914: Apply, Henry Chalmers, East Shieldhill-by-Falkirk. (2)

TWO pairs Norwich, 10/6 pair; two buff cocks, 7/6 each; buff hen, 4/6: Clayton, Percy-st., Rochdale. (1976)

F. S. BUCKLEY, 30, Adderley-st., Coventry, has still a few grand Norwich buff cocks for sale cheap. (1996)

J. WARD, 178, Main-st., Shettleston, has a few good Norwich, good big stock birds, cheap to clear. (4)

C.F. cocks, 7/6, hens 5/-; all one price on approval; Crestbred cock, buff green, 10/6: Dr. Allen, Amblside. (2000)

HENRY, 13, King Edward's-rd., Ponders End.—4 green Norwich hens, good strain, 3/- each, 11/- the four. (1995)

NORWICH for sale, cold-room bred, cocks from 7/6, no hens: P. Philpott, 9, Wolseley Gardens, Chiswick. (1999)

FEW good Norwich cocks, from 6/- each, and hens from 4/- each: J. McDonald, 53, Bread-st., Edinburgh. (1991)

FOUR large typical yellow Norwich hens 7/6 each; 2 buffs 5/- each; approval anywhere: 85, Athol-st., Burnley. (1994)

WELL-BRED birds, including winners at club shows, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- per pair: Varley, 63, Ingram-rd., Sheffield. (1993)

H. J. BANBURY, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich, can spare a few unflighted and 1913 cocks or hens, 12/6 upwards: Preston-rd., Yeovil. (1991)

LARGE handsome rich yellow and variegated young Norwich cocks on full song, 3/-, pair 5/6: Stephens, West Drayton. (1998)

TEN pairs Norwich, 15/- to 30/- pair; same strain as cup winner Newton Grange: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle.

FOR sale, six Norwich Canaries, two cocks four hens, £1 the lot: Miss E. Neville, Christchurch, Wisbech, Cambs.

NORWICH for sale, cheap, colour-fed, two cocks, six hens: Land, 3, Linwood-grove, Swallow-st., Longsight, Manchester. (1993)

PAIR genuine high-class Norwich Canaries, buff-marked cock and clear yellow hen; sell cheap: Todd, Edgehill, Whitehaven. (1992)

CHAMPION yellow Norwich cock, 1913, good stock bird, bulldog breed, 7/6; worth double: Geo. Isherwood, Leadmills, Mold. (1992)

NORWICH for sale, overstocked, prize and prize-bred cocks and hens, prices reasonable: Yeats, jun., Linthorpe, Fraserburgh. (1984)

LADY MURIEL DIGBY has few large thick-set 1913 and 1914 clear buff Norwich cocks: Chalmington, Dorchester, Dorset. (1991)

DIRECT from breeder. Good typical Norwich, colour-fed, 10/- pair; carriage paid: R. Tomlinson, 17, Ampthill-st., Norwich. (1995)

FEW prize-bred Norwich for sale; buff cocks, yellow hens; reasonable; approval; stamp reply: Adam, 225, Montrose-st., Brechin. (3)

GRAND clear buff hen, 3rd Palace 1914, 3 guineas; or exchange yellow cock, equal merit; approval: Miles, Aviaries, Chichester. (5)

40 CANARIES, mostly unflighted; cocks from 7/6, pairs 10/6; hens 3/6 upwards; pair Cinnamons, 15/6: Spann, Stivichale, Coventry. (1998)

NORWICH cocks from 6/6 to 10/- each; hens, 3/- to 6/- each; cold-room bred: W. Gilbert, 2, Cromwell-st., Red Lane, Coventry. (1980)

SIX reliable breeding hens, 3 green, 3 variegated, bred from good stock, 4/- each; approval: Hicks, Show Secretary, Holsworthy. (1992)

CANARIES, cocks, 6/-; grand hens, 3/-; guaranteed; inspection invited any time: Halford, 10, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak, N.W. (1997)

CHAMPION Norwich, have a few good birds to spare, colour-fed, cocks 7/6 and up, hens 4/6 and up: Simons, 16, Albermarle-st., Hull. (1997)

ONE buff marked hen, 2/6; one big buff hen, 5/6; one yellow marked hen, 4/6; one buff cock, 8/6: Hollick, 42, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (2)

WANTED, pair large Norwich or long Yorkshires; exchange handsome Airedale dog, sell £3, worth £5: Lanham, 36, Walcot, Bath. (5)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1791)

CLEAR buff hen, unflighted, 1st Haddington, stout one, 25/-; buff ticked, sister, 15/-; approval, deposit: Campbell, Ardmore, Biggar. (1995)

PRIZE-BRED pair Norwich, 11/6; green Norwich hen, 3/6; other hens from 2/6: Russell, 29, St. Stephen's-avenue, Shepherd's Bush. (1993)

GOOD young Norwich Canaries, 7/6 pair; odd cocks, 6/-, hens 2/6 to clear; approval: Alfred Peters, Panton Hall, Wragby, Lincolnshire. (2000)

CHAMPION large Norwich, winners, and bred from winners, from 10/6 each; approval: C. Roberts, Stannahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (6)

FEW grand stock birds for disposal, pairs from 12/-; hens, 4/6 upwards; satisfaction guaranteed: Parkinson, 35, Hodder-st., Accrington. (1992)

LARGE Buff Norwich Canaries, Roberts' strain, cocks, 7/-; pairs, 10/-; worth much more; approval, deposit: Wheeler, Griffin Wood, Epping.

CLASS unflighted Yorkshires, related to winners; approval; wanted, large stock yellow Norwich cock or hen: Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (3)

YELLOW Norwich cock, 12/6; yellow variegated cock, buff cock, 10/- each; buff hen, 10/-; buff hen, 5/-: Monteith, 36, Singers-st., Clydebank. (2)

WELL bred Norwich, pairs from 25/-, single birds from 12/6, rare shape and quality, on approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (1994)

FOR sale, Vale of Leven and Dumbarton winners, others from 10/- upwards; all colours; approval: Davidson, 55, East Princes-st., Helensburgh. (6)

BIG unflighted buff cock, 12/6; splendid unflighted yellow cock, 10/6; grand hens, 4/-, 5/-; approval anywhere: Salter, 32, Grosvenor-rd., Rugby. (1)

HAVE for disposal several tynical unflighted yellow and buff cocks, bred from winners, prices from 12/6, approval: J. Young, 76, Burn-rd., Rutherglen. (1999)

TYPICAL clear and marked Norwich hens, yellows and buffs, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each, seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich.

LARGE 1913 buff cock, 1914 buff ticked cock, mated with large clear yellow hens, 10/6 pair, cash or deposit: Coulthard, Station Hill, Wigton, Cumberland. (1993)

WELL-BRED Norwich for disposal, closely related to my winners, good type and size, very reasonable: Harris, 12, Hazlewood-lane, Palmers Green, London, N. (1968)

VAR. buff cock, yell. hen, 8/-; var. yell. cock, buff hen, 7/-; clear buff hen, 4/-; also var. buff Border hen, 2/6; lot 20/-: McGregor, Sarahville-crescent, Larkhall. (2000)

GOOD stock birds from winners, pure type and quality, especially large yellow cocks, moderate price: Barrows, 5, Grosvenor-crescent, St. Leonards-on-Sea. (1996)

TYPICAL yellow var. cock, unflighted, 10/6; unflighted buff var. hen, 6/-; clear buff hen, 4/-; from good stock; bargains: Donnan, 37, Industry-st., Kirkintilloch. (2000)

FEW good Norwich, Bullfinch type, good heads, best blood, 35 years breeder, judge of many shows, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1976)

20 GOOD Norwich for sale from 10/- upwards; for latest wins see Elgin and Scottish National Show reports: Adam Ironside, 41, Main-st., New Deer, Aberdeenshire. (1999)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks for sale from 7/6 each, J. C. Barnes' strain, good birds; room wanted; some winners; approval: G. Tripe, Plumber, 48, Parr-st., Exeter. (1992)

MR. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, has three unflighted Norwich cocks, fit for keen competition, clear yellow, clear buff, uneven marked buff, £6 three; approval. (5)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each; satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

T. IRONS has some good Norwich for sale, state wants and prices; on approval, with pleasure; see recent L.C.B.A. and our Hand-in-Hand Xmas shows: Ivy-rd., Northampton. (1980)

T. TOW, has a few Norwich buff cocks and buff hens for sale; owing to ill-health have not shown this season; all own breeding: 86, Holmhirst-rd., Woodseats, Sheffield. (1996)

NORWICH; several good bold 1914 cocks, also hens, for disposal; cold-room bred; large vigorous birds in full song; also a few Yorkshires: 3, Richmond-avenue, Willesden Green. (1992)

NORWICH cocks, from 5/-, £2; hens, yellow or buff, 5/-, £2, same as my winners of over 120 first prizes, 1914 bred: Handley and Son, Lynn-rd., Walsoken, Wisbech. (1996)

BUFF var. Norwich cock, 15/-; yellow hen, 15/-; clear buff hen, 10/-; or exchange rose trees to value; approval with pleasure: H. Bennett, Cashes Green, nr. Stroud, Gloucestershire. (5)

TWO Norwich hen Canaries, 3/6 the pair; one three compartment breeding cage, 5/6; two single breeding cages, 3/6 the two; offers for the lot: 135, Enfield-st., Pemberton, Wigan. (1)

NORWICH Plainhead Canaries for sale, principally foul-marked greens; also Gold and Silver Lizards; outdoor aviary bred: what offers: Miss Sapwell, Sankence, Aylsham, Norfolk. (1989)

A FEW pairs well-bred Norwich for sale from 10/6 a pair, cold room bred, colour fed; approval; winner at L.C.B.A.: C. W. Hewitt, Spring Field-rd., Shepshed, Leicestershire. (1990)

TWO grand unflighted yellow Norwich hens, bred from winners, and sure to breed winners, price 5/6 each or 10/- the two, worth double; approval: North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

TWO grand pairs of Norwich Canaries or Yorkshire Terrier bitch, 13 weeks, by Blue Boy, for Pom., poultry, anything useful: James Jefferies, 27, Sherbourne-st., St. George, Bristol. (3)

A. CRATCHLEY, noted Norwich; grand quality; yellow and buff cocks, clear or marked, 6/6, 8/-, 10/-; grand buff hen, 10/-; one smaller, 5/-; approval: Victoria-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (1991)

SPLENDID Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; 1914 cold-room, clean and healthy; cash, approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester (close to Midland Station). (1982)

THREE good cobby Norwich hens, one clear buff, two variegated, 5/- each; seen any time; also several good single and double breeders, cheap: Harley, 1, Bolton Gardens, Kensal Rise, London. (1995)

BARGAINS in Norwich: Buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; buff cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-; two yellow hens, 5/- each; non-flighted, bred from my noted strain: H. G. Howard, Mount Prospect, Penzance. (1999)

YOU know the sort of stock birds you like! I have some very useful ones, own breeding, colour-fed; correspondence invited; all letters answered.—Hudson, 117a, Gibbet-st., Halifax, Yorks. (7)

NORWICH Plainheads; four grand, massive birds; yellow cock, 20/-; yellow hen, 7/6; buff cock, 12/6; buff hen, 10/-; all fit for exhibition; approval, cash or deposit: Girling, Harford-st., Norwich. (5)

THREE massive variegated buff hens, two variegated yellow ditto, bred from my winners, 5/6 each; approval with pleasure: Garner, Breeder and Exhibitor, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (1989)

HARLAND'S champion Norwich: Owing to the war am not exhibiting this season; can spare yellow and buff cocks, 10/-; 15/-, 20/- each, worth double; approval: Geo. Harland, 63, Welbeck-st., Hull. (1983)

FEW good Buff Norwich cocks, unflighted, 10/6 each; also good hens, 5/6 each, bred from winners Norwich, Claphani, Chelmsford, Braintree and Witham: Collicott, Primrose-hill, Chelmsford. (1998)

UNFLIGHTED variegated yellow cock, 2nd Hanley, 2nd Burslem, 17/6; several others, flighted and unflighted; yellows and buffs, 7/6 and 10/- each; also few hens; approval: Bowdidge, Stone, Staffs.

GIVING up; clear yellow cock, 12/6; big buff cock, 15/-; monster clear buff cock, 20/-; all in full song; hens, yellow or buff, to match, 6/-, 8/6, and 10/6, carriage paid: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (2)

NORWICH, owing to removing, have for sale, cocks, clears and variegated, from 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; hens, clears or variegated, 10/-, 12/6; all on approval: Jas. W. Watson, 79, Marine-approach, South Shields. (1996)

SURPLUS stock, two grand Norwich cocks, 1914, good size and colour, make grand stock birds, or could win, 20/- each; several others, 10/6 each; approval, deposit: Jenkins, Raglan House, Ross-on-Wye. (1996)

GOOD big pair of Norwich Canaries, 1913, matched for breeding, and reliable (Vardy's), cock singing, with good double breeding cage, with every accessory, 12/6 lot, worth 20/-: Wilsher, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1995)

MR. A. L. HAWKES, being unable to give his exhibition stock of Norwich proper attention on account of his son being away on active service, offers any or all at a great sacrifice; see other advertisements. (5)

HAVING had a successful breeding season I have over fifty Norwich, the same strain as my winners, for sale; will send any on approval; inspection any time: John Morrison, Blue Bell Hotel, Shields-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (2000)

GOOD sized lightly-marked yellow Norwich hen, 6/-; very fine clear buff cock, 10/-; large variegated yellow cock, 7/6; house-moulted cock Goldie, 7/6, a beauty; all on approval, deposit: Moss, 23, Lancaster-rd., Hitchin. (1994)

HIGH-CLASS bold unflighted buffs, cocks 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 upwards; hens 3/6, 4/6, 7/6; yellow cocks 6/6, 7/6 upwards; also hens; variegated yellows, cocks 5/6, 6/6; hens 3/6, 4/6; approval, deposit: W. Dix, 67, Hall-rd., Norwich. (2000)

SEVERAL unflighted Norwich for sale, prices moderate; yellow cocks, yellow variegated cocks, buff cocks and hens, winners, bred from winners; no yellow hens; approval: Andrew Crawford, 14, Wilton Drive, Glasgow. (1984)

G. DOWELL, breeder of high-class Norwich, has few for sale, 1913 and 1914 fed and non-fed, cold-room yellows, cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; buffs, cocks, 7/6, 9/6, hens, 3/-, 4/-; approval, deposit: 4, Beer-st., Yeovil. (1980)

20 HIGH-CLASS Norwich for disposal, unflighted, and of nice quality, colour-fed; cocks from 6/-, hens 3/6, pairs from 8/6; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, deposit; particulars: Birchinshaw, Breach-rd., Marlpool, Heanor, Derbyshire. (1997)

MR. ECKERSLEY offers very fine large marked yellow hen, grand type, £3; smashing saddle-marked buff cock, one of the biggest in the Fancy, £3; very typical buff hen, £1; others equally cheap: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (2000)

A. L. HAWKES, sen., offers an exceptional unflighted Buff Norwich hen, winner three 1sts since Christmas, 12/6; another, equal in merits, short, thick-set, cobby specimen, a real gem, 10/-; worth £2 2/-: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (6)

MASON'S champion Norwich; have a few nice birds for disposal; birds bred from this strain have won this season at Manchester, Halifax, including 1st unflig. yell. Birmingham; few grand buff cocks; approval: 11, Victoria-sq., Ella-st., Hull. (2)

GREAT sacrifice; typical thick-set colour-fed buff Norwich cock, with exceptional head, chest, short flights, gem all over, won several honours contests, 1st Stratford last week; accept 15/-; worth £3 2/-: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (5)

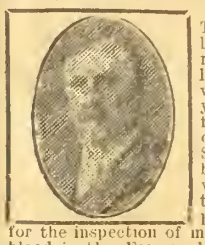
GIVING up Norwich; 2 cocks, 1 hen, ticked buff, large 1914 birds, with broad heads, bred from winners, a sure bargain at 25/- the lot; satisfaction, or money returned; cash or deposit: Fenton Greenwood, Eiffel-st., Hebden Bridge. (1990)

GEORGE SAUNDERS can spare few good birds, same strain as my winners at Glasgow, Musselburgh, Pathead, and other places; every bird shown this season has been in the cards. I have also taken specials for best Norwich. This strain has been carefully built up by myself and is reliable; prices, 10/- upwards; approval; stamp particulars: West. Smeaton-st., Kirkcaldy. (1999)

The BULL-DOG STRAIN

Champion Norwich.

20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- per Pair.



The above strain needs no bounce. All I need do is to refer you to the reports of leading shows. My birds are winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. I have also bred and sold birds that have won for my clients all over the country. Testimonials in proof of this are always open for the inspection of my visitors. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks**, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Good Cobby Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Matched breeding pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair.

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Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Erect racy Hens**, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. **Matched Breeding Pairs**, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. **EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES**, bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each upwards.

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British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. Hens, same pure strain, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. Matched Pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-.

Mules.—Over 150 Goldfinch and Linnet Mule cocks in full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each. Few extra large Dark Mules, fit for exhibition, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- each.

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HIGH-CLASS stock birds, Midgley's strain, 1913, variegated buff cock, 20/-; ditto hen, 10/-; two 1914 large buff cocks, one clear, one wing-marked, 15/- each; two 1914 clear buff hens, 10/- each; approval, deposit: Casemore, St. Augustine's-rd., Canterbury.

GRANDLY bred Norwich, from my champion diploma winning strain, bluest blood obtainable, yellow cock, 30/-; several buffs at 20/-; pairs, 30/-; wonderful condition, bound to breed winners; approval with pleasure: S. Jones, Lydgates, Lynton, Devon. (1994)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich closely related to cup winner: Clear buff cock, 1913, 15/-, son of above; clear buff, 1st prize, 15/-; two clear buff hens, unflighted, 10/- each; variegated buff hen, 1913, 12/6; variegated yellow, 1913, 5/-; approval: Pallister, 8, Balfour-st., Gainsbro. (1998)

NO better blood; typical buff cocks, 12/6, 15/-; short thick buff hens, 10/-, 12/6; four matched pairs, 15/- per pair, worth double; the above are all unflighted and bred from my winners; see report of Troon; approval; cash or deposit: Devoy, 23, George-st., Stranraer. (2)

EDWARD DUDLEY, Hazeldene, Wrekin-rd., Wellington, Salop, has a few high-class unflighted Norwich for disposal, bred from best blood obtainable; clear buff cock, grand stock bird, bargains at 15/-; yellow cock, 10/-; variegated buff hen, 7/6; approval, deposit. (1997)

MR. J. C. WILMOT, 17, Sandhurst-rd., Bedford, can spare the following prize bred Norwich cocks: Clear yellow, 15/-; marked yellow, 12/6; clear buff, 10/6; marked buff, 10/6; all excellent type and good colour, and about one-third dealers' price; real bargains.

MR. GEO. SHAW, being employed seven days a week on gun manufacture, must dispose of the whole stud of Norwich, comprising 16 choice hens and eight cocks, built from the strains of Davies, Vardy, Lawson; would accept £15 the lot: 11, Sandcliff-rd., Erith, Kent. (1997)

MR. HAWKES offers some extra smart massive framed short thick-set cobby Norwich for stock or exhibiting; cocks, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, and 20/-; hens, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each; none being reserved; approval anywhere, whether cash sent or deposit: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (5)

GRAND yellow Nowich cock, marvellous size, good head and neck, winner, a real good stock bird, price 17/6; with lovely 1914 bred buff hen to match, 6/-, or 20/- the pair; a chance of a lifetime; approval, cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, Thomas' Bull-dog strain direct, large cocks, rare type and quality, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upwards; matched pairs, 10/- to 20/- upwards; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, cash deposit Editor; state requirements: Grout, 64, Hughenden-rd., Norwich. (1998)

A FEW good Norwich yellow variegated cocks, 10/6; clear yellow cock, 7/6; buff variegated cock, 10/6; clear yellow hen, 10/-; the same strain that I had shown; a few others cheaper; Rose Linnet, Greenfinch hen, both hand-reared, 5/-: Thomas Noble, 62, Memyies-rd., Torry, Aberdeen. (1990)

POTTER'S Champion Norwich, winner Hull Cage Bird Society's challenge cup 1913-14, also young bird cup 1914; can spare two medium size yellow cocks, 20/- each; also unflighted yellow cock, can win small shows, 20/-; also few yellow and buff hens from 7/6 upwards: Walker-st., Hull. (1987)

NOVICES, do you want the best? Note my latest wins at Corn Hall, Great Yarmouth, Dec. 26, 1914: 23 entries, 15 firsts, 6 seconds, 2 thirds, 12 specials, special best Canary, silver cup; Norwich Plainheads, yellow or buff, cocks 10/- to £5, hens 5/- to £3: G. Pye, 24, Waveney-rd., Southtown, Great Yarmouth (1989)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, colour-fed and approval, good type, heads, feather, colour, all winners or bred from winners; unflighted marked buffs, Jocks 8/6, hens 3/6 upwards, pairs 10/6; also really good buff cock, yellow hen, and vice versa, 21/- pair; healthy little songsters, from 5/6; cages, 3d.: G. Everard, 104, Upperthorpe, Sheffield. (1996)

CHAMPION pair correctly matched high-class exhibition Norwich Plainheads, rare size, type, colour and quality, winners and certain to breed winners in keenest competition, only 30/-; recently cost £3; genuine bargain; rare chance for beginner; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich.

SPECIAL, Special, Special!—Several very large typical yellow and buff Norwich hens, rare size, type and quality of feather, suitable for stock or exhibition; only 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 21/- each; Palace winning strain; all cold room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (5)

A REAL good buff Norwich cock, red-hot colour, good head and neck, very large birds, has won, and should breed some real stuff with a real good yellow hen, 1914 bred, a clinker for size and quality, price 25/- the pair, not half their value; also good unflighted green-marked yellow cock, grand substance, good head, well filled in for a youngster, price 12/6; approval, cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

STOCK birds; if you require any, try one of these, every one healthy specimens, mostly clears and unflighted; four big cobby buff cocks, 20/- each; one cap marked buff cock, massive head and neck, 20/-; two variegated buff cocks, grand bodies, 10/6 each; five buff hens, grand type and quality, 10/6 each; unflighted clear yellow cock, 2nd prize winner, 17/6; clear yellow cock, big stock bird, 17/6; approval, deposit: J. Woolhouse, 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsborough, Sheffield. (1990)

NOTICE. Special offer; few real good large typical stock and exhibition Norwich Plainheads, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to £2 each; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to 30/- each; rare size, type, and quality of feather, including many future winners, all strong and healthy, and in perfect condition; Palace winning strain; cold room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich.

E. BAKER, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, one of the best studs in the world, winner of 14 cups, 7-guinea shield, 25-guinea bowl, salad bowls, gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas for best Norwich at Crystal Palace, two L. and P.O. challenge cups won outright at Palace, etc.: also hundreds of other prizes too numerous to mention; some good birds, single and pairs, for sale at very reasonable prices; those who were disappointed last year should write at once: Victoria Aviaries, 13 and 14, High-st., Cowes, I.W.

NOTICE: Special offer monster exhibition buff cock, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 21/-, honestly worth £2; also choice exhibition yellow cock, grand shape, feathers like silk, winner, only 25/-, cheap at 50/-; also grand yellow hen, full of quality, certain winner, only 17/6, bargain at £2; also very choice buff hen, real model for type and quality, win anywhere, only 15/-, worth double; also few real good large stock and exhibition yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to 50/- each; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- to 30/- each, rare size, type, colour, and quality, including many future winners; Palace winning strain, all strong and healthy, cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1969)

WINNING NORWICH

One of the finest studs of Norwich in South of England for sale: Ellis, 34, Wickham-avenue, Bexhill. (1976)

OWING TO PRESSURE OF BUSINESS

must clear 20 of my stock birds, splendid Norwich, colour fed, yellow and buff cocks, 10/-, 15/- each; do. hens, 7/6, 10/-, cold-room bred; also several well-bred hens, rather small, 5/- each; write stating wants to: Mallinson, Pawnbroker, Driffield, Yorks.

SENSATIONAL SHOW BIRDS

the like of which has never yet been offered. Don't show myself, hence the offer. Slashing clear yellow cock, monster clear buff cock, enormous marked buff cock, four monster big-headed hens, clear yellow, clear buff, marked buff, marked yellow, cocks, 50/- each; hens, 42/- each. Above have big bold heads, deep chests, lovely short wings, colour fed, 1914 bred, and enormous size. These can win outright at any big show. Approval; cash or deposit: George Cubley, Lutton Gowts, Long Sutton. (4)

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Norwich or Yorkshires, cocks, hens, or correctly matched breeding pairs; state requirements; list and approval terms free; value and satisfaction guaranteed: R. Hanford, Derby. (1986)

OPPORTUNITY SELDOM OFFERED

Real good Norwich cocks or hens, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; approval; stamp, reply: Colledge, Kilburn, Derby. (1994)

PRIVATE SALE

For immediate disposal, no reasonable offer refused, the entire appointment of Norwich breeder and exhibitor's bird-room, including a joiner-made rack containing 15 breeding cages, 21 x 14 x 10, three flight cages, 28 x 21 x 10, all white enamelled, punch bar fronts, with three doors; also about 20 Norwich show cages, all clean, and travelling cases to take six, three, two, one respectively; also feeders, drinkers, nest pans, etc.; an exceptional chance for a fancier; exchange considered: 91, Foley-rd., Worcester. (1992)

100 PURE-BRED NORWICH

Direct from last few years' Crystal Palace strains, have proofs: yellows or buff cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 20 years: Sandiford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London.

WINNERS AT ALL LEADING SHOWS

See report in CAGE BIRDS for recent wins. I have a fine lot of Norwich for disposal, including many noted winners, in yellows and buff; also correctly matched pairs from 30/- to £5; also a few good hens, yellows and buff, from 10/- to 40/- all on approval with pleasure: C. W. Silk, Glen Rosa, Emsworth. (3)

NORWICH.

Large Bulldog type Norwich cocks, Yellows and Buffs, Clear or Marked, or Greens, **7/6; Hens, 3/6.** Yorkshires, **lifeguard type,** Yellow or Clear, or Variegated, Yellow or Buff Cocks, **7/6; Hens, 3/6.** All bred from **Exhibition** strains. Smaller cocks for song, **5/-; hens, 2/6.** British bred Roller Cocks, **7/6,** Hens **2/6,** Glucke strain. Cash, or deposit "C.B."—**TED BROADBENT, Decorator, Lowfield, Sheffield.**

THE SORT YOU WANT

Bred from my winners at all leading shows; buff cocks, beauties, unflighted, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, size type quality worth double; few hens, buffs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upwards; gems all over; approval: Rev. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland.

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's). 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

J. DIMMOCK, Glucke and Waterglucke Rollers, same strain as my cup winner, from 12/-, hens 5/-; B.R.C.C. rung: 49, Providence-st., Cradley Heath.

MISS THOMAS, Breeder and Trainer Seifert Rollers; finest strain birds for sale, moderate prices: Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1893)

WANTED, Rollers: Pearson, Greenwich. (3)

1914 ROLLER cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon, Glam. (1961)

HIGH-CLASS Roller hens for sale, 2/6 each: Ashton, 64, Scot-lane, Wigan. (1999)

WANTED, a large quantity of Rollers, best prices paid: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1995)

ROLLERS, stout in song, 6/6, 8/6 each; hens, 2/6, 24/- dozen: Stapletons, Spa-rd., Bermondsey. (1996)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke Roller hens, 2/6 and 3/-; cold-room bred: J. Cavis, 17, Roman-rd., Preston. (1992)

SEIFERT and Glucke Rollers, 12/- the pair, Club rung, 1914: R. Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot.

ROLLER cocks, in song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9, and 7/9; hens, 1/9 and 2/9; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B.

FOULD'S strain, 1914, Club rung, cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, hens 4/6 each: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (2000)

THREE first-class unflighted Randall Roller hens, 3/- each, or 8/- the 3: Eddy, Bellevue-terr., Penzance. (1982)

ONE Queck's training organ, 25/-; or exchange pair Rollers; no rubbish: A. Fedrick, 32, Tanners-hill, Deptford, S.E. (1999)

FOR sale, three pure young large Seifert hens; or will exchange for young cock: Veness, "Rosemount," Tenterden, Kent. (1996)

WANTED Rollers, good songsters; what offers in exchange for Yorkshires; sell 25/-: Mains, 65, Shields-rd., S.S., Glasgow. (5)

ONE Queck's training organ, 30/-, or exchange cheap roller cocks: R. Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

ROLLERS, 1914 cocks, 6/-; 1913 hens, 2/-; cages cheap: Mr. Swindle, 31, School-st., Conran-st., Harpurhey, Manchester. (1991)

WATER-GLUCKE Rollers, cocks from 8/-, hens 3/6; approval; or exchange blankets: Watkins, Eden-st., Astley Bridge, Bolton. (1)

FOUR high-class Roller cocks for sale, on full song, no chopping, 8/6 each; bargain: Jackson, 1, Hereford-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1992)

HENS, hens, hens!—Randall's B.R.C.C. rung, breed sure winners, 5/- each; approval, deposit: W. Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (5)

HENS, hens, hens!—Walton's champion Glucke, Water Glucke strain, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6: Walton, 6, Cross Green-cres., Leeds. (2)

FOR sale, Roller Canary, in full song, 8/6; week's approval; money returned if not satisfied: Carter, Hairdresser, Rhymney, Mon. (1996)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Water-Glucke hens, cold-room bred, B.R.C.C. rung, 3/6 each; approval: Hunter, 21, Cross-st., Prescot. (1997)

THREE Roller hens, Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, 4/- each; two unrung, same strain, 3/-: Edgerley, 5, Francis-st., Monton, Manchester. (1993)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, in full song, from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston-gardens, Ashbourne. (1991)

FREE delivery; contest-trained cock, 17/2; Schoolmaster, 10/-; fine cocks, 6/-: Miss Jackson, Cowhill, Rutland-rd., Harrogate, Yorkshire. (1996)

SURPLUS stock; few fine Roller hens, make splendid breeders, 1/9, 2/6; satisfaction guaranteed: 5, Water Heys-terr., Wigan. (1997)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942)

RANDALL'S pure hollow roll strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, hens 4/-: cash or deposit; approval willingly: Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1992)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers; cocks, full song, 8/6, 10/-; hens, 3/-, 4/6; approval, cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (3)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke hens (Randall's), 3/6 each; or exchange Glucke cock, wire fronts; offers; approval: Cox, 27, Coppice-st., West Bromwich. (1999)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain: hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1813)

BELGIAN lady must sacrifice her high-class Rollers, full song cocks, 10/-, 15/-; cost double; approval, deposit: Madame Amos, 22, Ladbroke-cres., Notting Hill, London. (5)

DEEP Glucke Rollers, 1914 B.R.C.C. rung, cocks, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each; also three unrung, 15/- each; hens, 5/- each: Smith, 19, Lichfield-rd., Newinvention, Wolverhampton. (2000)

ROLLERS, grand lot, 7/- each; hens, 2/3; all in full song: Roller shutter cages, 12 by 12 by 6, 2/9 each; all fittings complete: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (3)

GLUCKE Rollers, Randall's strain: cold room bred, in full song; cocks, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/6 each; approval, deposit; inspection invited: Perks, 1, Bank-st., Lye, Stourbridge. (1994)

HIGH-CLASS 1914 Rollers from winners, pure Randall's B.R.C.C., rung cocks, from 10/6, hens 4/-; approval; cash or deposit: F. G. Martin, 43, Park-rd., Wellingborough. (1979)

BEAUTIFUL healthy 1914 cold bred Rollers, F. Sels and Son strain, show, singing or stock, cocks, full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens from 2/6; also Crest-bred: exchange entertained for London roach rod: H. E. Smith, 62, Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, London, S.E. (1927)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke Rollers, one 22 points at Manchester Contest, 15/-; also some of the same strain, 10/6 each; hens, 3/6; B.R.C.C. rung: Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot. (1)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke cocks, 1914, Randall and Percival's strain, carefully bred and trained, price 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 20/- each; hens, 4/-; approval, deposit: Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell. (1)

GENUINE bargain, 1st and special Edinburgh champion young birds class, B13 rung, 30/-; also hen to match the above, 5/-: Wantling, 11a, Mount Pleasant, Stacksteads, Bacup, Manchester. (1999)

ROLLER cocks, full song, Randall's Glucke strain, better blood impossible to get, 10/6, 12/6, and 20/- each; matched pairs for breeding from 12/6: Leigh, 57, Bold-st., Altrincham, Cheshire. (1977)

YOUNG pure-bred British Roller cock, in full song guaranteed, and a new drawing-room cage, 6/6 lot; and some pure-bred Roller hens, 2/- each: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (1992)

CANARIES, pure young Rollers, bred off B.R.C.C. stock, day- and gaslight songsters; also a few hens, the finest in the Midlands; outdoor aviary bred: G. Mann, 30, Campbell-st., Brockmoor, near Brierley Hill. (1991)

ONE 1913, four 1914 genuine Glucke Roller hens, 1/6 each, or 6/6 the lot; real beauties, seven days' approval; three double-compartment breeding cages, 2/6 each: Evans, Lightwood, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (1999)

A. GOODING has several Glucke and Water Glucke 1914 cock birds for sale from 10/6; bred from prize birds; hens, 3/6 to 12/6; all rung; approval willingly; member of B.R.C.C.: 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (1991)

J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner of seven cups, 25 silver and bronze medals, has for sale few of his champion strain Roller Canaries; cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- upwards; hens, 7/6 and 10/- each; approval. (1)

DEEP Glucke birds, second, fourth, and fourth, seventh, c, Midland show, third, vhc, hc, Bacup; cocks, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/- each; also pure Roller cocks for sale: A. W. Cadman, 17, Manlove-st., Wolverhampton. (1965)

PURE Seifert Glucke and Water-Glucke Rollers, cold room bred; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 and 15/- each; hens, 3/6, 4/6 each; same strain as my Crystal Palace winner; approval, deposit: N. Clouting, 27, Somere-rd., Brixton-hill, London, S.W. (1940)

HIGH CLASS Rollers, genuine bargains, two 1913 B.R.C.C. rung cocks, scored 27 points last season, 25/- each; hens to match, 4/- extra; 1914 B.R.C.C. rung cocks, 15/- and 20/- each; approval, deposit: Evans, Patent Slip, Llanelly. (1)

ROLLER Fanciers! Now is your time to secure first-class stock cocks, pure Randall's, only a few left, 12/6 and 15/-; hens, same strain, 4/- and 5/-; perfect health, cold-room bred; approval, deposit: H. Ryder, Clothier, High-st., Stourbridge. (2000)

W. H. MORRIS, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham, winner at Leeds, Manchester, Wakefield, Wolverhampton, and Birmingham, 1913 and 1914 contests, has for sale cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- each; Glucke and Waterglucke strain; approval willingly. (1965)

HIGH CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

LAST lot, British bred Rollers; two young cocks, B4 rung, 7/6, 12/6; father winner five singing contests only times shown, two 1913, two 1914 hens, same strain, 5/6 couple: Hargreaves, Sunbeam House, Midway-avenue, Bridlington. (1993)

GLUCKE and water glucke Rollers, pure Randall's, bred from my winners of five medals; cocks, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 7/6 each; five days' approval; deposit; satisfaction guaranteed or money returned: Harrison, Fruiterer, Bradmore, Wolverhampton. (1985)

DEEP Glucke Roller cocks, B.R.C.C. rung, 10/6 and 12/6, Cadman's strain—one that scored 22 points and won commended at Rossendale, 15/-; and two that scored 23 points and won commended at Manchester, 15/- each; hens, 5/-; cock and two hens, £1 to clear; approval willingly: T. Gradwell, 53, Campbell-st., Moses Gate, near Bolton. (1997)

PURE Randall's premier water Glucke Rollers, B4 stock cocks, 12/6: contest singers, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 4th and special Manchester, commended Birmingham, £2; 4th Bolton for J. T. Smith, 1913 contest, £2; B3 and B4 hens, 5/- each; satisfaction guaranteed; approval; cash or "C.B." deposit: Hoyle, Kitcheu-terrace, Grimsargh, Preston. Member B.R.C.C. (1980)

PURE Randall's cocks, on full song, all sold. will have some more ready shortly, some splendid hens, daughters from my third prize and B.R.C.C. medal winner, which scored 27 points at Bury last season, and sisters to my ex-fourth and highly commended this season, 4/- each: B.R.C.C. rung; better blood impossible to get: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (1)

PRIZE-WINNERS, first Hort. Hall, 27 pts., 35/-; first Birmingham, fourth Bolton, 28 points, 30/-; and one commended Inter. Show, 9 tours, 21 pts., 17/6, a good stock bird; also parents of above, Randall's direct, cost £3 2s. 6d., accept 40/-; cock, fourth at Bury, credited with bell Glucke, 28 pts.; hens from 5/-; approval, deposit: Hayward, Melkshani, Wilts. (1981)

BRITISH-bred Rollers; pure Seiferts, Randall's glucke and water glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; hardwood cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/- each; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.

RANDALL'S Cup strain; cocks, full song, contest trained, 15/-, 20/-; B4.5 scored 17, B4.9924 22 points at Bolton Roller contest this month, 22/6, 25/- only; B3.896 scored 22 points Birmingham last month, good schoolmaster, 25/-; hens for breeding winners, 5/-; all wearing closed Club ring: parents of these cost me £3 10/6, and £3 13/6 a couple; approval, deposit: Atherton, M.B.R.C.C., 36, Christian-rd., Preston.

CHAMPION strain Glucke Rollers, same blood as my winners of nine prizes at last Midland Contest, five cups, numerous medals other shows, just to hand. I won 1st (29 points), three specials, bass, Glucke, best bird, with youngster bred off cock and hen, No. 4642 and 4674 you supplied me with. (original can be seen) Brother to above, 1913 rung, good bird, 15/-; 1914 cock, splendid Glucke, 15/-; another 1914, Glucke in two keys, fit for tutor, 20/-; two youngsters, big variety, fit for contest or tutors, 25/- each; hens same blood, all B.R.C.C. rung (last lot), 5/- and 7/6 each; exchange anything: A. Harper, 2, Cooper-st., Bilston, Staffs. (1999)

GREAT VALUE FOR SMALL MONEY

Amongst the following are some very highly trained birds, and all on approval, which include water Glucke, pure Seifert, British-bred Rollers, Randall's, etc.; cocks (not so-called cocks), 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs matched for breeding, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 25/-; cages 3d: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

Hartz Canaries.

VOOGT'S STRAIN.

Only a part of the original consignment arrived on Monday morning, 11th inst.

420 Hen Canaries.
42 Cock Canaries—I. Class.
42 Cock Canaries—II. Class.
126 Cock Canaries—III Class.

The 630 birds were all sold in 24 hours. I can only offer now, subject to safe arrival on or about Monday, 18th inst., as follows. These are the only prices, trade or otherwise. Cash with order only.

2 Hens **2/6,** 14 Hens **12/-,** 100 for **80/-.**

Orders for 400 already in hand.

Cocks, I. Class, **10/-** each, 7 in a row for **50/-.**
Cocks II. Class, **7/6** each. 7 in a row for **42/-.**
Cocks, III. Class, **5/-** each. 7 in a row for **31/6.**

Class I. contains many exceptional dark birds. These seem to be greatly enquired after. Class II. contains many with wonderful singing powers. Class III. is the ordinary Roller. Those sending money in advance take precedence of all others. Prices will increase week by week. Telephone, 6341 Avenue.

JOHN HAMLYN

221, St. George's Street, London Docks, East.

PRINCE

Arthur Hotel, Lord-st., Fleetwood. James Fox, proprietor, writes: "The 16 Roller cocks I purchased from you turned out splendid. I would not wish for better birds." Grand lot of 1914 bred hens, same strain, 4/- and 5/- each; cocks all sold; approval: John Canning, 26, Ellesmere-st., Astley, nr. Manchester. (3)

CRYSTAL PALACE WINNERS

A few own youngsters, from first and third prize 1914 Palace winners for disposal, cocks and hens; also others of first-class strain; prices reasonable: Hy. Neve, Heathfield, Sussex. M.B.R.C.C. (1972)

REAL ROLLERS

Highly trained under real schoolmasters, imported direct from Belgium to London shop, good as any that ever came in England; fit for any Palace; price 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; hens 1/6; two 2/6; Roller cages, 2/-, 2/6 each, beauties. Wholesalers, write for terms; thousands testimonials; estab. 50 years; the old firm: Sandiford, 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London; and 296, North-rd., Preston.

Rollers—Real Hartz Rollers

Cock Canaries, the first lot offered this season, and the finest that could be purchased for cash; every bird in grand condition, and real schoolmasters, and contest singers, only, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each, or 42/- the stick of seven; hens, 1/6, 2/- each, 3 for 4/-; stick of 14 14/-; Belgian Rollers, cock Canaries, trained under the schoolmaster, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, 1/3, 1/6 each, 12/- dozen; cock Siskins, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; established a century; cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1975)

BRITISH BRED ROLLERS

Having purchased the whole stock of Mr. Wirth, of Liverpool, including his winners, etc. I am offering cocks, in full song, at 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, and 25/- each; hens, 5/- each; all B.R.C.C. rung; also cabinets and training cages, to be cleared cheap; one Buhl's training organ, in perfect condition; first P.O. £2 secures it; originally cost £3 10/-; 1 Queck's organ, 30/-: R. Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

14 DAYS' TRIAL—OUR RISK

Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years and have received thousands of testimonials. Here are a few received this last few days. Mr. Daniel Jones, 12, Wind-st., Aberdare, writes: "Received the Roller safe. I am highly satisfied with my bargain." Mr. W. Wilson, 171, Bryan-st., Hanley, writes: "I am very pleased with the bird. Please send me a Roller hen." Mr. A. E. Jeffries, Hartforth, Richmond, Yorks, breeder and exhibitor: "Enclose, 5/- in settlement for the Roller cock, which has turned out the best I have ever had. You can rely on my orders." Mr. John Tunstall, 21, Hotspur-st., Backworth, Northumberland, writes: "Roller to hand all right on Tuesday morning. He has been singing day and night. These wonderful songsters, only 15/- each, on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks, and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised, and be your own judge. Hens same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each; Yorkshire, Norwich and other Canaries on the same terms; lists free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (1981)

K. PERICLES

BRITISH BRED ROLLERS

of the popular Glucke and water Glucke strains, schoolmasters and contest singers, bred from 4 cocks, winners at the following shows in the open champion classes last season, 2nd Manchester, 2nd Bolton, 1st Wakefield, 1st, 2nd Bury, also 1st open champion team class, 1st International open champion team class, scoring the record number of 124 points, the four birds; also special for best Glucke; same birds have proved as good this season, winning 1st Wolverhampton, 1st and 2nd Bacup, and 1st Bolton, also numerous specials and 3rd and 4th, which are not worth while mentioning. I guarantee all the young birds I am offering are bred from the above four winners; no other strain kept; prices 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, and upwards; if with hen of same strain, 10/- and 12/6 extra: K. Pericles, "Akropolis," Palatine-rd., Withington, Manchester.

British Bred Rollers

Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of best organs, price 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; 100 trained, all guaranteed and on approval, hens 2/6, 3/6; best lot Rollers in England; proper Roller box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beauties, 3/-; established 50 years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: Sandiford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Scotch Fancies.

FOR sale; 2 buff hens, 1 Green hen, cheap, to clear: H. Siddons, 9, Sandholes, Paisley. (1984)

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kebburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young birds, all colours, cocks, hens, good birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley.

YELLOW-GREEN cock, 35/-; yellow cock, 20/-; young; approval: L. Jackson, Southfield, Kirkmuirhill. (1990)

TWO buff hens, young; would exchange one for yellow pied or green hen: Hannah, 78, Dunard-st., Glasgow. (1996)

FOUR buff and yellow pied hens, 2 buff cocks, show cages and rack: McIlwain, School Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1964)

FOR sale: some well bred birds, cocks and hens, at reasonable prices: James G. Millar, West Drumayne Farm, Govan. (1984)

HIGH-CLASS Scotch Fancies for sale, all colours, both sexes; some good birds, approval: Thos. Pringle, 62, Mill-st., Selkirk. (1980)

ONE buff cock, one buff pied cock, one buff pied hen, one yellow pied hen; cheap; approval: Keill, Albert-square, Broughty Ferry. (2)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale; the whole stock, old and young; show and breeding cages, carrying boxes: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1927)

FOR sale, Scotch Fancies, bred from winners, piebald, buff and yellow hens, foul buff cock, young, cheap to clear: Renwick, 126, Ingelby Drive, Glasgow.

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, buff, piebald hens, clear yellow hens, green hens, clear buff cocks, buff piebald cocks; young birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley. (1996)

MUST be cleared; trio Scotch Fancy, 4 cocks, 8 hens, Yorkshire Canaries, cage-moulted Kestrel, very tame, one double cage; sell cheap or exchange anything useful: Bottomley, Bootmaker, Keighley. (3)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

WANTED, Yorkshires: Pearson, Greenwich. (3)

C.P. cocks 7/6, hens 5/-; all one price, on approval: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (2009)

1914 YORKSHIRE cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon, Glam. (1951)

GOOD Yorkshire Canaries for sale, cheap: Hall, Rosapenna, Salfords, Horley. (1994)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch

FOUR pair good Yorkshires, sell lot 30/-; others from 10/- to 30/- per pair: Snell, Rea Barn, Brixham. (1)

FOR sale, six Yorkshire cock Canaries, 30/- lot, or 6/- each: Vincent, 51, Vere-rd., Wadsby Bridge, Sheffield. (2030)

GOOD bred Yorkshires, none colour-fed, cocks from 7/-, hens 3/- each: Dealler, 105, Landells-rd., East Dulwich. (1973)

NICE pair Yorks., buff cock, from prize birds, make good breeders, 10/6; approval: Pitt, Chemist, Barnstaple. (1989)

J. A. LOVELL has few Yorkshires for disposal; cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, upwards: 24, Islington-rd., Southville, Bristol. (1997)

HIGH class Yorkshire cocks, cold room bred, from 12/6; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting Junction. (1976)

GRAND yellow Yorkshire cock, 1st Newton Grange, and unflighted buff hen, 50/- pair: Bell, 35, Clementina-terr., Carlisle. (2)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, one cock, three hens, also six breeding cages, 25/-, or best offer: A. Hinchliff, Hengap, Holmfirth.

BARGAIN; three Yorkshire hens, 1914, guaranteed prize-bred, 6/- lot, approval: Lovell, 4, Albert-rd., Staple Hill, Bristol. (1993)

I HAVE a few good unflighted stock cocks from 8/- upwards, on approval. R. E. Helliwell, 149, Claremount rd., Halifax. (1995)

NICE Yorkshires: yellow cock, yellow hen, variegated buff hen, 5/- lot: Johnson, 649, Grosvenor-st., West Birmingham. (1983)

YORKSHIRE Canaries for sale; cocks from 5/6 each hens two for 5/6: Jones, 27, Agnes-st., Higher Broughton, Manchester. (1998)

FOR sale, prize-bred Yorkshires, yellows and bulls, cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/6: Miss P. Philcox, Pre Couri, Horsell, Woking. (1992)

PRIZE bred, cold room kept, long, stylish matched pair from 10/-; must clear, room wanted: Hall, 134, Branksome-rd., Brixton. (1979)

YORKSHIRES: 15 pairs from 6/6 to 8/6; cash or deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Massingham, 213, Hitchin-rd., Luton, Beds. (2003)

LOOK: Yorkshire pairs (1914), yellow cock, buff hen, at 10/-, good value, stamped reply: P. Lane, 1, Arbor-terrace, Worcester. (1977)

BREEDING stock; cocks, 8/-; hens, 4/-; half value; 10 to select from; bargains. Johnston, 123, Ternce Park rd., Stroud Green, N. (1999)

SPECIALS Yorkshires, any pair from my winners, all unflighted buff, 7/ pair, cash or deposit: 17, Wood End, Holden Bridge. (1999)

HIGH CLASS young colour fed exhibition Yorkshire cocks, to fly shg, 7/6 and up, pairs, 10/6 and up: Simpson, 15, Albemarle-st., Hull. (1967)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from winners: cocks from 12/6, hens from 7/6: inspection invited: Harris, 9, Wellington-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (1994)

A CHAMPION'S strain of Yorkshires to clear, including winners: matched pair from 10/6 each, 84, Chichele rd., Cricklewood, London. (1956)

NOTICE. Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: Mrs. Kind, Sibright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

YORKSHIRE cock, 1914 feather like silk, sure winner, colour-fed, £1, cash or deposit: Jones, Myrtle House, Tyseley, Cwmbran, Newport. (1985)

FOR sale, 1914 lengthy yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6, Yorks. hens, 4/- each: Cobley, 69, High-la-Cloche-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (1990)

GRAND slim racy Yorkshire cocks or hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; approval; bred from my champions: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (1978)

SMART buff cock, took 1st, 2nd, sell 15/-, bargain; exchange for two good buff hens; approval both ways: Wheeler, 238, Bramford-lane, Ipswich. (1996)

WILLIAM PHIPPS has three clear buff and one yellow Yorkshire 1914 cocks, good length and quality, 10/- each; 16, Mill Platt, Isleworth. Approval. (1996)

T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

SIX Yorkshire hens, chiefly yellow, unflighted, for sale cheap, or exchange for a good buff Yorkshire cock: A. J. Clarke, 65, Copleston-rd., East Dulwich. (1980)

TWO smart pairs high-class Yorkshires for sale, 12/6 pair; also few buff hens, 4/- each; inspection invited: Purday, 174, Ashville-rd., Leytonstone.

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale, cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; inspection invited any evening: H. F. Bowring, 67, Everington-st., Fulham.

SEVERAL smart pairs slim stylish Yorkshires from 25/-; few odd hens from 7/6, rare quality; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, Loudon.

SIX yellow, 5 buff unflighted Yorkshire hens, bred from winners, highest offer gets the lot, or sell separately: Davis, 4, Church-rd., Bedminster, Bristol. (1990)

A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster, offers grand exhibition yellow cock, 3rd at Sale show, £4; two grand unflighted buff cocks, 10/6 each, worth double. (1991)

YORKSHIRES, from 10/6 per pair, Cinn. green marks, also clears; inspection invited: J. Sykes, 8, Algot-st., Woodhouse Hill, Hunslet Carr, Leeds. (5)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires; buff hen and marked cock, trained singer, good breeders, must clear, 9/-, or offers: Driver, Coal Merchant, Steeton, Keighley. (1993)

ONE pair Yorkshire Canaries, properly matched for breeding, 7/6; also two Yellow Yorkshire cocks, 5/- each; bargain: N. Atkinson, Brompton, Northallerton. (2000)

SURPLUS stock; can spare few good 1914 Yorkshire cocks, good type and quality, from 7/6 each; approval, deposit: Jenkins, Raglan House, Ross-on-Wye. (1996)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, my winning strain, cocks guaranteed, full song, 5/-; quality hens, 3/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (5)

YORKSHIRES, bred direct from my noted winners, good matched pairs 12/6, 15/-, £1; cocks 10/-, 15/-; hens 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; approval: Newell, 62, Princess-st., Abertillery. (1975)

FIVE lengthy Yorkshire cocks, 5/- each; in good condition, worth double; or £1 the lot; approval willingly: Hosker, 17, Kingston-avenue, Hallam Fields, Ilkeston. (1994)

PRIESTLEY'S high-class Yorkshires from my winning strain; cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (1880)

FANCIERS, if you write explaining your wants I will endeavour to supply and satisfy you; I have some decent birds for sale: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (1997)

F. GREGORY, high-class Yorkshires, overstocked, for sale, about 8 pairs, including winners, reasonable, on approval; inspection invited: 67, Cross Hill, Ecclesfield, Sheffield. (1964)

GOOD long slim clear yellow cock, 7in., with good buff hen, 15/6; hen alone worth the money; seen any time: Hadley, 1, Bolton-gardens, Kensal Rise, London (see Norwich). (1995)

FINE Yorkshires, Canaries, my winning strain, guaranteed, full song; cocks 5/-; racy hens, 3/-; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (5)

MR. SILK has yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, won five 1sts, from his cup strain, can win in best company, £5 two, or separate; approval: The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. (5)

TYPICAL 1914 Yorkshires, bred from good stock, strong and healthy, cold-room bred, colour-fed; cocks 5/6, hens 3/- upwards; approval: W. E. King, Machpelah, Hebden Bridge. (1995)

HAVING bought Mr. Crisp's stock of Yorkshires, I still have some very typical cocks for sale, also few cheap hens, all in good condition; approval: Knight, Holt, Shelford, Cambs. (1994)

COCK Canaries, singing, one yellow Yorkshire 10/6, some buff 8/6, two buff hens, one yellow, three variegated, 2/6; cages 3d.; approval: T. W. Archer, 40, Horse Market, Barnard Castle. (7)

TWO good long slim buff cinnamon Yorkshire hens, 6/6 each; also two buff greens, only wants seeing; good single and double breeders cheap: Hadley, 1, Bolton-gardens, Kensal Rise, London. (1995)

TWO grand upstanding clear yellow Yorkshire hens, 1914 bred, grand quality and feather, price 5/6 each, 10/- the two, not half their value: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

TWO beautiful unflighted buff Yorks. hens, feathered like pot, bred from winners, 4/6 each, or 8/- the pair, not half their value; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, grand typical corks from 5/-, matched pairs 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1979)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, all from prize winners, cocks from 6/6, hens from 3/6 and upwards, show or stock birds, on approval, cash or deposit: G. Hymas, 2, Bells-yd., Mansfield. (1978)

W. D. HALL has some good Yorkshire hens for sale, my own breeding, from 7/6: also some good stock cocks, my winners, state wants, seen any night: 124, Sancroft-st., Kennington Cross, London.

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, few left, upstanding yellow cock, 12/6; hen to match, 3/6; buff cocks from 8/6, hens 3/6; pairs from 10/6: Breeder and Exhibitor, 55, Arcadian Gardens, Wood Green, London. (1997)

GIVING up Yorkshires, 7 bull corks, 3 yellow cocks, 5s. each, foul green bull hen, 2/6; also a stack of breeding cages, cash or deposit; approval: Sellars, 6, Guildford-st., Fairfield, Hebden Bridge. (1991)

A. G. CANT has a few typical Yorkshires for disposal, single or pairs; prices reasonable: same strain as my Harrogate Cup winner South London Columbarian 1913: 36, Henslowe-rd., East Dulwich. (1994)

HIGH CLASS colour fed exhibition Yorkshires, guaranteed healthy; cocks in full song 7/6, 10/-; hens 3/6; inspection any evening Saturday, Sunday, any time: The Breeder, 222, Ribbesdale-rd., Streatham. (1988)

WINNERS; unflighted buff cock, 25/-; unflighted buff marked cock 30/-; unflighted yellow cock, 20/-; buff hen, 15/-, buff marked hen, 20/-; all good bird; approval, stamp: McLoughlin, Valley-rd., Yorkshire. (1966)

RETIRING Officer, Driffield, York., offers superb Yorkshires grand cock, rich colour, plenty of length, 7/6 to 20/-, stylish hens from 4/-, best blood obtainable, all in the pink of condition, approval willingly. (2000)

GRAND slim, unflighted Yorkshires, from champion strain of winners, splendid type and quality; cocks, 7/6, hens 4/6; cash or deposit; inspection invited: Hitchen, 10, Orrell-rd., Lamberhead Green, Wigan. (1989)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards: hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (3)

GRAND upstanding Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, bred from my winners; cocks, 8/6; hens, 4/6; matched pairs, 12/6; also bulls; first-cross Belgians, 8/6 each; approval: Geo. York, Melbourne, Derbyshire. (1991)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from my challenge cup winners; cocks 6/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens 4/-, 6/-, 10/-; pairs 8/6, 10/6, £1 upwards; approval, carriage paid: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge. (2000)

A. J. SMITH, Whitemoor Lane, Belper, Derbyshire, has for sale three unflighted Buff Yorkshire cocks, 7/6 each; one yellow, 7/6; also three prize-bred Norwich cocks, buffs, 10/- each; one buff hen, 5/-; approval, deposit. (1998)

WHITWHAM has few high-class Yorkshires, reasonable, same strain as my winners at National, Huddersfield, Windhill, Great Horton; all my birds are own breeding; approval, deposit: Allerton-lane, Allerton, Bradford. (1)

CLEARING out; exhibition stock, yellow and buff cocks, 10/6, 15/-, 20/- each; only half their values; hens to match, 6/-, 8/6, 10/6; winner of 250 cards, cups and medals; carriage paid: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (6)

J. S. FAIRMAN.—Have won four cups this season with birds bred by me; can supply matched pairs or odd birds to breed winners in champion competition; inspection invited; prices reasonable.—28, Poplar-rd., Old Kent-rd. (7)

FOR sale, 10 pair of high-class Yorkshire Canaries, cheap to clear, inspection invited: also two show cases complete, with six cages, all new; best offers: J. S. Parker, Commercial Buildings, Ripponden, near Halifax. (1991)

I HAVE some grand Yorks for disposal; cocks and hens in clears or marks; very reasonable prices; pairs from 10/-; approval: G. Simeon, 63, Beaconsfield-st., Acomb, York. (4)

TYPICAL winning unflighted yellow Yorkshire hen, a gem all over, won several honours, 2nd, and two 1sts since Christmas, 10/-; another of equal merit, shown once, 7/6; worth treble; must sacrifice: Hawkes, 23, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (5)

C. TANSEY has for disposal two excellent stock hens, Cinnamon-marked yellow (1913) and clear yellow (1914), both beautifully bred, correct type and over standard length; bargains at 15/- each; approval: 57, Reid-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (1990)

FEWSTER'S Yorkshires need no push; winning strain; yellow and buff cocks, 7/6; good quality of feather and type; good breeding pairs from 12/6 to 20/- pair; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Smithy Brook, Middlestown, nr. Wakefield. (1995)

BUFF cock (ticked), standard length, paired to smart yellow hen, both 1914, will breed winners, £1; several pairs first rate Yorkshires, 15/- pair; also odd cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-; approval, deposit: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (1978)

MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (1977)

OWING to business engagements must sell the following Yorkshires: Yellow cock, 2nd novice Bournemouth, 15/-; another 2nd Boscombe, 15/-; buff hen, 1st Boscombe, 15/-; yellow, 3rd Wandsworth, 10/-; and several others from 5/-: Edwards, Fernbank, New Milton, Hants. (2000)

GRAND upstanding yellow Yorkshire cock, over 7in. long, and good position and feather, a grand stock bird, 12/6 only; lovely buff hen, to match, 6/6; or 17/6 the pair to clear; worth double; approval, cash or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

HIGH-CLASS pedigree Yorkshires, bred from winners of numerous prizes, long slim cocks or hens, teeming with quality, from 10/- each; a few specially selected pairs at 20/- a pair; real bargains; honestly worth double: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (1974)

MR. HAWKES offers that typical unflighted buff Yorkshire cock, very long, lengthy, smart specimen, 1st Stratford last week also winning yellow cock, of exceptional merit, 15/- each; could not obtain its like elsewhere under £3 3/-: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (5)

CLEAR buff cock, red-hot colour, A1 position, feathered like a Java, standard length, can win, only 10/6; a lovely upstanding yellow hen to match, 1914 bred, 7/6; or 15/- the pair, a real bargain; approval, cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

REDUCING stock; have the following hens for disposal: Three clear bulls, two clear yellows, two var. buffs, one var. yellow, all unflighted, 3/- each; three clear bulls, one yellow cinn. marked, 1913, 3/6 each; these are good typical birds, cold-room bred, and in breeding condition; approval, deposit: Edwin Clubbe, 33, Louise-st., Chester. (1993)

YORKSHIRES, grand long upstanding clear yellow cock, unflighted, colour fed, 10/6; splendid buff hen to match, 5/- pair 15/-; also buff cock, yellow hen, same price and quality; both pairs 28/-; my own breeding; no dealers; few other pairs 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 pair; correctly matched: Williams, 862, Pemistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1974)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1½, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 151, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

YORKSHIRES.—Winning strain 1913 yellow, ticked buff, 25/-; yellow cock, 20/-; buff cock, 15/-; 1914 yellow cock, 15/-; buff cock, 20/-; buff marked cock, 15/-; bull hen, 12/6; yellow marked hen, 7/6; few cocks, 7/6 upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; large stock birds, 12/6 to 31/-; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Shelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (a)

YORKSHIRES.—G. A. Parker has some of the best own breeding winner of four cups 1914, many first and special cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6 to 20/-, hens, 5/6, 7/6, 9/6 to 15/-; a few good Norwich Cinnamon, late Judge Dobson's strain, cocks, 7/6 to 20/-; hens, 7/6 to 15/-; pairs, 12/6 to 25/-, cash or deposit, inspection invited. 17, Litchfield Avenue, Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (1990)

MIDLAND CHAMPION STRAIN

Winner over 1,000 prizes; still a few really fine birds; absolute gilts; pairs 10/- to 20/-; birds of proportionate, not quarter value; extraordinary specimens for high-class; approval; Wells, Hillyard, Ludington, Birmingham. (4)

These are not imaginary Birds

Sold first and then bought after. They can be seen, and there is quantity and quality, with the best value in the world thrown in. Give me the opportunity to send on approval.

PLAIN-HEADED NORWICH Winners and stock as follows: Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 4/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, to £5.

YORKSHIRES The Extraordinary Value I am am now offering in Yorkshires must be seen to be believed. Cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 20/-. These include many close and some fully 8 inches long, invaluable for small hens. Cages, 3d.

For all other varieties and prices, see my 1915 detailed illustrated List.

EASIEST OF EASY PAYMENTS

by joining my original Bird Club; distance no object. —W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

J. F. PARK

has a fine lot of Yorkshires for sale, which have been among the winners all season; several matched pairs cheap: 21, Elliot-st., Glasgow. (1994)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Stock and show birds, the best obtainable, no fancy prices, all on ten days approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire. (1998)

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

can spare a few choice pairs of Yorks, related to our winners; see Y.U. shows; single birds proportionate; prices reasonable; cinnamon marks a speciality: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (3)

OGDEN BROS.

WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

WINNERS! WINNERS!

Mr. North. Dec. 27, 1914. Dear Sir.—Just a few lines to let you know that I won the cup with the three birds I got from you, although one little surprise, the unflighted hen beat the old one; and yellow cock was simply a walk-over.—Yours truly, F. W. Bedford, 23, Albion-terr., Alverthorpe, Wakefield. Mr. North. Dec. 31, 1914. Sir.—Just a line to let you know that the buff cock got 1st and special, cinnamon marked hens 2nd and 3rd, and the with the green-marked hen. I won three specials, gold medal, and club money for the year.—Yours sincerely, J. Andrews, Warm Lane, Yeadon. These are just two of about 20 testimonials received since Dec. 27, and if you want to win or breed your own winners, give me a trial and I will try my best to supply your wants. I have some clinking birds for sale; grand lengthy Yorkshire cocks in full song at 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; grand racy hens, feathered like silk, at 3/-, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 upwards; try one of my specially matched pairs, sure to breed winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- a pair; all cold room bred and kept; six days' approval; cash or deposit Editor: Note address, Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

FOR IRISH NON-SUCH

High-class Yorkshires cheap; state wants and price; enclose stamped envelope for reply: M. Fleming, junr., Ligoniel, Belfast. (1998)

BINGHAM & FURNESS

winners of the Sheffield challenge cup, 1907, 1909, 1913 and 1914; also Walkley cup 1913 and 1914; have some good birds to dispose of cheap; cocks, 5/6, 7/6 and 10/- each; hens, 3/6, 5/-, and 7/- each; pairs from 8/- upwards; inspection invited: 43a, Hawthorn-rd., Hillsbro, Sheffield.

JOE HARROP'S

You cannot do better if in want of birds of high Origin, good quality, length, type, and position. I Recommend this strain as fit for any fancier. Keep this in mind, and if requiring a Yorkshire Send at once and I will satisfy your desires. Hens 10/- upwards; cocks, 20/- upwards; pairs proportionate: 17, Waller rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (1910)

THE YORKSHIRE CHAMPION

has still some clinking Yorkshires for sale; stock birds, right sort to breed winners; also several winners in keenest competition cheap. My winnings for years exceed those of any other exhibitor or firm; a few of the plums they have won this year include silver cup for best in show at Bradford National, York hire Union Championship, with over 40 points lead; Yorkshire Canary Club Challenge Cup (second year in succession); Yorkshire Canary Club's Ten-guinea Trophy, National Green Marked Y.C.C. Ten-guinea Trophy (second year in succession), "Cage Birds" Competition at all Yorkshire Union Shows, and over 70 firsts and numerous specials at all the leading shows. In addition to above I have bred and sold some noted winners to other champion exhibitors throughout the United Kingdom. Champion Yorkshire cocks, yellows or buffs, at 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- each; hens feathered like wax and positively 1/- bit of breed so much admired in a true Yorkshire, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. Pairs, properly mated to breed winners, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- per pair; also a few extra special pairs at 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; every bird guaranteed in perfect condition, and related to my noted winners; come and inspect them at any time, or I will send any bird on seven days' approval at my risk, either for cash or deposit with Editor. If you want to be among the winners next season now is your chance to secure the very best blood in the three. Kindly state wants: I will do my very best to match any bird to your complete satisfaction, and remember, I have bred far more winners for myself than any other exhibitor, also that my birds are not in any way bought, and the best specimens in the Harry L. Dobson, Belgian Avenue, Swillington Bridge, Bolton Wood, Bradford. (5)

Yorkshires & Norwich

Extra good, smart, lengthy York-shire cocks, at 5/6, 7/-, 8/-, 10/6, 12/6 each, on full song. Pairs matched to breed winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair. In Clears, Green Marked, and Cinnamon Marked, and all cold-room kept, colour-fed and natural colour. Typical racy hens at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6 each. Also good stock of large cobby Norwich at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, day and gaslight songsters. Also some good Crests and Crestbreds very reasonable. State wants, or send for my illustrated Price List post free. **Easy Payments:** Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for Illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.

J. TAYLOR,
36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES

Direct from our noted strain; yellows or buffs; cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 30/- each: hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each; show cages, 2/- each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; and 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

T. BENNETT

the York-shire Canary King, is again offering a few choice birds, both exhibition and stock, at less than trade prices; every bird his own breeding, from his noted winning strain of 30 years' standing, winner of more prizes than any Yorkshire fancier with birds own breeding; again "bang at the top" (see reports of all Yorkshire Union shows). Remember, no bought or claimed winners here. Inspection invited, or birds on approval: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. (3)

Various Canaries.

HY. HUGGINS has few unflighted yellow and buff hens, from 6/- upwards; approval, stamp: 40, Tadorst., Burnley. (1995)

I HAVE a few Yorkshire hens, 2/6 each, 1914 birds; Norwich, 5/- each, singing: Duckworth, Hammertonyard, Burnley. (1995)

FOR sale prize-bred Borders, cinnamons and greens, cocks or hens; prices reasonable: Jas. Glass, Spencerfield, Hamilton. (1994)

THREE healthy hen Canaries, from outdoor aviary, 1/9 each, or 5/- lot: Mr. Pettit, Stationrd., Horley, Surrey. (5)

CINNAMON Borders; two yellow cocks, two yellow hens, three buff hens; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-: Sam Lennox, Torpenhow, Carlisle. (1993)

TWO good Norwich cocks, yellow and buff var., 7/- and 8/6 respectively; also var. buff hen, 4/-; lot 17/6: J. Drake, Mill-rd., Bathgate. (3)

WILL exchange prize-bred Buff Yorkshire cock and two yellow hens for pair good Norwich, poultry, or offers: Bridgwater, Corn Merchant, Warwick. (1998)

1914 CLEAR yellow Norwich cocks, Yorkshires in yellow and buff-marked, 5/- each, colour-fed, cold room bred: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge. (1993)

LANCASHIRE, Yorkshire, Belgians, cross cocks, hens, yellows, buffs, marks, variegated, 16 for sale, 1914 birds; cocks 7in., 7/6; hens, 4/6; stamp reply: Newall, 56, Kent-st., Bolton. (1997)

FOR sale, a yellow Lancashire Plainhead cock, 12/-, and buff Plainhead hen and yellow coppy hen, 7/6 each; approval deposit Fielding, 15, Whitelees-rd., Littleborough. (2000)

TWO clear buff cocks, 10/- each: one var. buff cock, 10/-; one var. buff hen, 10/-; one clear yellow cock, 7/6; a few typical var. yellow hens from 4/- each; same strain as winners; approval: Jas. Auld, New-rd., Bannockburn. (2)

I CAN supply good stock Borders, Cinnamons, Greens, clears, same strain as my winners at Forfar, Avonbridge, Whitburn, Glasgow, Wishaw and Edinburgh; prices reasonable: Apply, A. Reid, 19, Holmes-st., Hamilton. (1990)

OWING to rejoining the Colours, Wm. Brown offers the following high-class birds: 1 pair Norwich P.H., £1; 2 yell. Yorks., cocks, 10/- each: 5 Yorks. hens, yell. and buff, 5/- each: 2, Victoria-st., Ackworth, Pontefract, Yorks. (1989)

THE following varieties of high-class birds to be sold cheap; Yorkshires, Lancashires, Lizards, Border Fancies, Norwich, Plainheads, Crests and C.B.'s; also Sibs., cocks and hens, Goldfinches, and Siskins, cage-moulted, Mules, etc.: Wm. Shakespeare, 233, Kentish Town-rd., London, N.W. (1989)

THE RIGHT STUFF

Champion Norwich and Yorkshires, bred from my winners at all specialist shows, cocks from 12/6; hens from 4/-; stock pairs from 15/-; also a few good songsters, 6/6, 7/6 each: W. Johnson, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1983)

SPECIAL SONGSTERS

Buy pure-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, Mules, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 3d.; approval: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

100 SINGING NORWICH & YORKSHIRES

5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; all guaranteed cocks; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston; and 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

COCK Goldfinch Mule 1914, constant songster, 7/- cash or C.B. depo it: Wilson, 68, Allen-st., Maidstone. (3)

WANTED, Mules: Pearson, Greenwich. (3)

PINIATED hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 14, Haveloek-st., Leicester.

FOUR lovely cock Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 5/- each; 4 hens 1 each: Price, Pontrylfydd Lodge, Trefnant, N. Wales. (2000)

TWO large Linnet Mules, guaranteed pure Linnet song, sell 10/6 and 8/6; approval: G. Wells, Sepulchre-lane, Kendal. (1999)

1914 COCK Goldfinch Mules, full song, 6/6; hen Mules, 1/3; buff Border hens, 2- each: Love, Cummersdale, Carlisle. (1992)

GRAND Goldie-Bullie, 1914, grand markings and shape, good face; bargain, 75/-; approval: Edwards, Tailor, Leominster. (6)

FOR sale cock Goldfinch Mules, 6/- each; or exchange anything useful to value: T. Parker, 35, Wharf-rd., Stamford. (2000)

SIX unflighted buff hen sibs, for light muling, 3/- each; study for seven years: Andrew Whitemoor, St. Austell, Cornwall. (1999)

A FEW strong, healthy sib.-bred hens, light muling strain, 3/- each; approval, deposit: Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell. (1)

GRAND lot of exhibition Mules, singing Mules, also muling birds; see special list free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (5)

REDPOLL-Linnet hybrid cock, four 1sts, two 2nds; Dark Goldfinch Mule cock, 2nd, 10/- each: R. Gullers, 99, Ridsdale-rd., Anerley, S.E. (1998)

EXHIBITORS, Goldfinch-Bullfinch hybrids, 3 1914 cocks, £10, or fair offer: Starr, Harbermere, Crutchfield-aven., Walton-on-Thames. (1991)

LARGE Lancashire-Norwich cross clear buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1977)

GOLDFINCH and Bullfinch, perfect, guaranteed bred hybrids, £1; if separated, Goldfinch 15/-, Bullfinch 7/6: Gibbons, 95, Peel-terr., Stafford. (4)

NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1852)

GIVING away; grand cock Linnet, bred Mules last two years, with his variegated hen, 6/- pair, bargain; approval: Aikens, 100, Ellenborough, Maryport. (1995)

THREE nice yellow Sib.-bred hens, 4/- each; good Bronze Mule, Goldfinch song, 7/6; exchange selected Goldfinches; approval: Thomas Saddler, Redruth. (3)

EXHIBITORS; my two light Goldfinch Mules, winners 2nd, 3rd at Norwich Alliance All-England, 18/-, 14/-, 30/- the two: Lawn, Rising Sun-terrace, Norwich. (1993)

LARGE cock Goldfinch, cinnamon marked hen, the pair 12/6, two large cock mules, from above, 7/6 each; approval: Thomas Herbert, 35, South-st., Reddich. (2000)

WANTED, cock Mules, on full song, in exchange for high-class stock or exhibition Norwich Plainheads, mutual approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1969)

VARIEGATED and dark 1914 Goldfinch Mules, grand songsters, colour-fed, 7/6 each; approval with pleasure: J. Davies, 412, Station-rd., Winsford, Cheshire. (1994)

SIB. bred hen Canarics, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each: sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

MUST clear two exhibition dark 1914 Brown Linnet Mules, 15/- and 12/6 each; one ditto, smaller, 10/6; in full song; carriage paid: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (5)

EXHIBITION dark Goldfinch Mule, splendid songster, 10/6; or will exchange for a good unflighted yellow Norwich hen: J. H. Welch, 13, Devonshire-lane, Chorley, Lancs. (1995)

EXHIBITION Yellow Siskin, bred Mules, correct cap, bib and lacings; hen Mule, 10/- lot; offers; yellow Norwich hens: Strachan, 560a, Gt. Northern-rd., Woodside, Aberdeen.

EXCHANGE two lovely Yellow Yorkshire cocks for Goldfinch cock and large yellow hen Canary, Yorkshire or Norwich, proved mulers; on approval: Henderson, Buckfastleigh, Devon. (1997)

EXHIBITION muling Goldfinch and his Sib. hen, 12/6; h.m. Linnet, 4/-; Goldfinch, 3/-; Goldfinch Mule, 8/6; approval, deposit; home-made birdlime: Jones, 18, Gadlys-rd., Aberdare. (4)

LIGHT variegated cock Goldfinch Mule, 15/-; Dale's noted Sibs., best light muling strain in existence; 2, best yellow hens in Fancy, 12/6 each; one spanking buff, 10/6: Barnard, 15, Back Lane, Barking. (1992)

FOR sale handsome cock Bramblefinches and Greenfinches, 2/- each; lightly variegated cock Goldfinch Mules, yellow and buff, 12/6 each, full song; yellow sib. cock Canary, 7/6; wanted, winning Goldfinch: Taylor, Draper, Bideford. (2000)

HIGH-CLASS Sibs., 6 hens, 1 cock, 2 h.m. Goldfinches, 1 h.m. Linnet, 1 h.m. Chaffinch, 1 h.m. German hen Bullfinch, h.m. hen Greenfinch; all guaranteed mulers; exchange Rollers or cash offer: Worrell, Church-st., Annfield Plain. (3)

GIVING up owing to bereavement and ill-health, sacrificing, must clear at once, good birds still left, proved hens, throws light Mules in every nest, 10/- each, 17/6 pair, worth £5. See last week's advertisement: F. G. Bartlett, 32, Royal York Crescent, Clifton, Glos. (1993)

FOUR cock Goldfinch Mules and 1 hen, 1914 birds, grand condition, sell 20/-; also large cage, 8ft. 3 inches long by 5ft. high, divided into 3 heights of 4 each breeding cages, interchangeable to long flights, full length; also a bottom row of four spare compartments for fitting more cages or store purposes; two-piece hinged back for easy cleaning, sell 42/-: Crossley, Outfitter, Crosshills, Keighley. (1992)

DOES THE FOLLOWING INTEREST YOU?

Exhibition and singing Mules, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, also choice and reliable hens for light or dark Mule breeding, 3/6, 5/-: cage 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

50 PURE-BRED SIB. HENS

guaranteed to breed Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, and 7/6 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; also 89, Sclater St., Shoreditch, London.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED, Foreign birds and Parrots: Pearson, Greenwich. (3)

ACCLIMATISED exhibition R.M. Gouldian hen, 20/-; approval: Hay. (See Borders.) (1998)

FINGER-TAME small Parrot, nice pet, quiet, gentle; Moore, 11, Lupus-st., Pimlico. (4)

GREEN Budgerigars for sale, in perfect condition, 4/6 pair: H, 192, Worple-rd., Wimbledon. (1901)

PARROTS wanted, Australian and African Greys, Indian Greens and Amazon; prompt cash: Stephens, West Drayton. (1998)

GRAND Amazon Parrot and cag talking; also Cockatiels, Budgerigars and Yellow anaries; particulars: Mrs. Gilbert, Blindgroom Shadoxhurst, Kent. (1)

RED-HEADED Lovebird, charmingly tame, sell or exchange; wanted, pair Blue Budgerigars: Moore, 11, Lupus-st., Pimlico (1992)

BUDGERIGARS, Green, outdoor aviary bred; adult breeding pairs, 5/-: Tom Overton, New Brighton, Cottingley, Bingley, Yorkshire. (1914)

FINGER-TAME chattering Blue Front Amazons, 35/- each; pet Pimy Marmozet, 25/-; Golden Marmozet, £6: Cross, Liverpool.

MAGNIFICENT Blue-fronted Amazon Parrot, with cage, price £2: Eastwood, Parrot Specialist, 179, Lees-rd., Oldham. Genuine Bargain. (1991)

JACKSON'S Whydahs, acclimatised pair, perfect health, cock, nearly in colour, £5: George Low, 14, Royal Terrace, E. Kingstown, Ireland. (1993)

FINGER-TAME, acclimatised young Amazon Parrot and new cage, magnificent bird, intelligent, 24/-: Hainsworth, 11, Nevett-st., Preston. (1990)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoor, finest possible, 5/- pair; selected breeders, 6/-; yellows, 8/-; price-list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (1999)

BUDGERIGARS, from exposed aviary, unrelated adults, greens, 5/-; cocks, 2/6; yellows, 3/3: Cockatiels, 12/6; hens, 7/6; approval: Criddeford, Lapford.

GOOD talking Amazon Green Parrot, exceedingly tame; will eat out of mouth, pet Laura; large cage included; £4 10/- carriage paid: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (6)

SPLENDID large Amazon Parrot, acclimatised and beginning to talk, with large cage, 35/-; or will exchange birds to the value: Merrington, 40, Beeston-st., New Cross, London. (1996)

PARROT, grey and red, acclimatised, hardy, healthy, splendid condition, with large cage; signed talking warranty, 4 months' trial my risk, 30/-; easy payments taken: 270, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1986)

FINE pair Zebra Finches, 10/6; pair Red-headed Finches, 12/6, both outdoors; cock Electus, acclimatised, splendid condition, with large cage, 50/-; wanted, hens, Redrump, Parrakeets, Amherst and Peacock Pheasants: Pulsford, Paignton. (1995)

BUDGERIGARS, adults, 5/- pair; odd birds, 3/-; cock Cockatiel, 6/6; hen Ringnecked Parrakeet, 7/6; pair Saffron Finches, 7/6; cock Ruddy Finch, 7/6; hen Zebra Finch, 4/-; Barbary Doves, 2/6 pair; all aviary moulted, perfect condition: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (5)

FOR sale, cock Red-faced Love-bird, very brilliant, perfect; also hen Madagascar, 20/- the two, bargain; hen Indigo Bunting, absolutely perfect, fit for show, 10/-; cock Bib Finch, 2/-; all birds guaranteed acclimatised; also pair very rare Chinese Starlings, perfect show condition, finger tame, anxious to breed, curious interesting birds, cage-moulted; no dealers; no exchange: Stewart, Glenhurst, The Crosspaths, Radlett, Herts. (1)

WAXBILLS (Golden-breasted, Orange-cheeked, Grey, and St. Helena). Than this interesting quartette, which can be purchased at from 2/6 to 7/6 a pair, there are few more charming foreigners. They can be successfully kept, too, with little difficulty if you will follow the hints given by Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S., in "Nutshell No. 20," 2½d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. Call at any of our agents and get it for 2d. (list frequently published).

POPE Cardinals, 6/- each; Saffron Finches, 6/- per pair; 1 White-shoulddred Cow Bird, 20/-; Bay Cow Birds, 10/- per pair; Fire-crested Pileated Finches, 25/- per pair; finger-tame Golden-fronted Tui Parrakeets, 25/- each; Red-faced Lovebirds, 20/- each; tame Canary-wing Parrakeets, 25/- each; tame Tovi Parrakeets, 12/6; pair Fire red Avadavats, 5/6; pair Australian Zebra Finches, 8/6; pair Zebra Waxbills, 5/-; Red-headed Finches, Weavers, etc.: Cross, Liverpool.

ACCLIMATISED breeding pairs from outdoor aviaries: Rare Cambodian Starlings, £3; Violet-eared Waxbills, £5; Virginian Cardinals, £3; Melba Finches, £2 10/-; Diamond Sparrows, £2 10/-; Masked Grassfinches, £1; rare Pelzeln's Saffron Finches, £1; Olive Finches, £1; White Javas, 12/6; Redheaded Finches, 12/6; Redhead-Cutthroat Hybrids, 12/6; Orangebreasts, 7/6; Bib Finches, 7/6; also following from indoor birdroom: 3 fine Egrets, £5 each, £12 10/- lot; pair rare Blue-streaked Lories, £6; fine pair Grand Eclectus, £6; Senegal Parrot, tame, perfect, 50/-; pair very rare African Green Fruit Pigeons, £3 10/-; Himalayan Redheaded Bullfinch, £3 10/-; cock Jackson's Whydah, show condition, £3 10/-; New Guinea Mynah, rare, £3 10/-; pair Virginian Cardinals, very fine, 1st Horticultural, £3; Yellow-backed Lory, £2: cock Redheaded Love Bird, 17/6; cock Diuca Finch, perfect, 12/6; cock Alpine Accentor, 12/6: cock Scaley-fronted Weaver, 10/-; hen Lavender Finch, 5/-: Frost, 13, Fairlawn-aven., Chiswick, London. (1997)

HORTICULTURAL Hall, Great International Show, with 29 entries, I won 21 prizes, 4 specials, 2 diplomas with scratch team from ordinary sale stock; indisputable evidence of superiority of my birds, all of which are offered without reserve:—Yucatan Blue and Black Jay, 2nd, £5 5/-; Waxwing, 2nd, 55/-; White Blackbird, 2nd, £5; Jenny Wren, 4th, 25/-; Long-tailed Tit, 6th, 21/-; Virginian Nightingale, cage-moulted, 20/-; Chinese Dhyal Bird, 4th, 50/-; Yellow-winged Sugarbird, 50/-; Pekin Robin, 12/6; pairs, Gouldian Finches, 4th, 50/-; Long-tailed, 3rd; Chestnut-breasted, 7th, Masked, 40/-: Fire Finches, 21/-; Zebra Finches, 10/6. Single: Yellow-rumped, Pectoralis, Parson, 20/-; King Parrakeet, 2nd, £10; Red-sided Eclectus, £6; Ceram Eclectus hen, £6; Crimson Lory, 70/-; Plum-headed, 50/-; Aztec Conure, rarity diploma, 25/-; Doublefronted Amazon, 2nd, £4; Barnard's Parrakeet, £4; Mealy Rosella, £3; Red Rosellas, 25/- each; Black-cheeked Lovebirds, 50/- pair; Budgerigars, 1st and special, 20/- pair, others from 5/6; illustrated descriptive article on my birds, 2d.; insectivorous birds' food, 2/4 lb., free: John Frostick, 50, Boundaries-rd., Balham.

ACCLIMATISED AFRICAN GREY

Comes out of cage on hand, talks to you, £6 10/-; no approval; seen and heard at 11, Lupus-st., Pimlico. (1992)

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Fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, hardy, talks, chatters, mimics, sings, finger-tame, square metal cage, four months' trial, my risk, 45/-; easy payments accepted. (1961)

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Genuine Talking Parrots, finest selection in England, including African Greys, Amazons, Macaws, Australian Greys, Indian Rocks, etc.; send for price list and terms before purchasing a Parrot and save quite 50 per cent.; Parrot cages from 3/6: G. Chapman, Parrot Importer, Birmingham. Telegrams, Parrakeet, Birmingham. (3)

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Sybia, full song, 18/-; Triangular Spotted Doves, 20/- pair; Cuban Amazou, 20/-; De Von and Co., 114, Bethnal Green-rd., London.

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The finest singing Shamah ever imported, only 35/6; Blue-red Macaw, 70/6; Blue Buff Macaw, 70/6; pair Porto Rico Amazons, 60/6, the cock bird has King markings; four exceptional Grey Parrots, at £7 10/-, £6, £5, and £3 10/- each; pair Ruficaudas, 30/6; pair Yellow Rumps, 25/6; cock Virginian Nigbtingale, 17/6; pair Rosellas, 40/6; pair Pennants, 70/6; genuine pair Red-collared, £4; Cockatiels, 14/6; Zebras, 8/6. The finest collection of birds in Great Britain. Telephone 6341 Avenue: John Hamlyn, 221, St. George's-st., London Docks, East.

VIRGINIANS

Good, sound, healthy birds, on song, 20/-; few real show specimens, 25/- each; hen Rosella, 25/-; Nonpareil Buntings, show plumage, aviary moulted, 25/-; cock Siskin, 10/6; Green Singing Finches, 8/6 pair; Orange-cheeks and Pink-cheek Waxbills, 4/6 pair; Golden Sparrow, 4/-; Saffron, 6/6; Pope Cardinal, 6/6; Budgerigars, finest adults, 6/- pair; yellows, 8/-; Quakers, 12/6 each; Tovis, 10/6 each; pair Orange Bishops, full colour, 7/6; tame Monkeys, 25/- each; tame Talking Macaw, 70/-: G. Chapman, Bird Dealer, Birmingham. Telegrams, Parrakeet, Birmingham. (3)

DOVES.

TWELVE beautiful White Java Doves, 16/-, to clear: Crewe, Calke Alsbey, Derby. (1990)

VARIOUS BIRDS.

THREE good Norwich cocks, 6 Norwich hens, 1 Java Sparow, £3 the lot, cost double: Harding, Upper Green-st., High Wycombe. (1987)

BARGAINS, pair Norwich, 8/6; Seifert Rollers, 7/6 pair, cocks full song, hand-reared hen Bullie, built and laid in cage, 4/6: Good, 10, Willow-avenue, Barnes. (1995)

GOLDFINCH, Greenfinch, Linnet, Siskin, H.M. cocks, with yellow Norwich hens, Mules, and Norwich cocks, bargains: Apply, Thomas, Butcher, Ramsgate. (6)

THREE cock Linnet Mules, 3/- each; cock Linnet and hen Canary matched pair, 3/6; British Roller cocks, 3/6 each; hens 1/9: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (6)

OWING to my wife's illness I am compelled to reduce my large stock of Crests, Borders, and British cheap: Robert Lambie, The Aviaries, Whitburn, Linlithgowshire. (1992)

LARGE dark cock Goldfinch Mule, 1914, showing form, 10/6; grand yellow Norwich hen, 1913, 7/6; also buff, 7/6; others at 5/- cash; approval willingly: D. Betty, Goodwick. (1999)

YORKSHIRE cocks, 6/-; Goldie Mules and Yorkshire Roller cross, cocks, 5/-, full song; pairs for breeding songsters, 7/6 to 9/-: Bemrose, Bracken Hill, Chapeltown, nr. Sheffield. (1996)

TWO cock Linnets, 2 hen Bullfinches, pair Goldies, all H.M., 2 large Norwich, 1 long Yorkshire, hens, 25/- the lot; songsters from 6/- each: Andrews, 18, Malyons-rd., Ladywell, London. (1997)

FEW high-class Norwich and winning British for sale, including Goldfinch, Linnet, Greenfinch, and Twite; stamp, particulars: James McNeillic, 13, Market-st., Maxwelltown, Dumfries. (2)

SIX young Crests to spare, Palace cup strain, warranted, 10/- to 20/- each; also a few Scifert Rollers, 6/6; old gold or silver bought, or taken in exchange: Mayhew, Jeweller, Bury St. Edmunds. (1998)

TWO grand cock Bullfinches, good size, colour, 3/6, 4/- each; six singing cock Canaries, Norwich, 5/- each; hardy birds, from garden aviary; approval; cash deposit; Beardmore, Quorn, Loughboro.

CLEARANCE sale, yellow cock, 2 buff hens, Yorkshires, 2 Roller hens, grand cock Greenfinch, mule, Goldfinch hen, both H.M., £1, or sell separate; offers: Jackson, Kershaw-lane, Audenshaw, Manchester. (1998)

BORDERS, clear buff cock, 2 hens, British cocks, Linnet, Bramblefinch, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, housemoulted; 10 box cages and rack complete; must sell; offers: James Tinline, Amisfield-rd., Haddington, N.B. (1991)

FIFTY British-bred Rollers, cold-room, cocks 3/6 each, two 6/-: hens, 2/- each, two 3/6; six Norwich cocks, 3/6 each, two 6/-: cock Linnet, hen Canary, matched pair, 3/6: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (5)

THREE German Canaries, 1 cock, 2 hens; Yorkshires, 1 cock, 2 hens; 1 double-breeding cage, two singles, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6; cages, 10/- the lot; or exchange anything useful to 40/-: Rowbottom, Chapel-st., New Mills. (1999)

LARGE typical var. yellow Norwich cock, £1; buff hen, 10/-; large house-moulted Bullfinch cock, 3/6; house-moulted hen Hawfinch, 3/6; large buff Siberian Goldie-Canary Mule, 12/6; club winners; approval, deposit: Hislop, Baker-st., Stirling. (1995)

COMPULSORY SALE

cock Yorkshire stock bird, breed winners, 10/-; two others, 6/- each: two typical Borders, cocks, 7/6 each: H.M. cock Chaffinch, 4/6: 3 cock Linnets, singing, 1/6 each; four large Goldfinch Mules, colour-fed, 7/6 each; four large unflighted Norwich cocks, colour-fed, 8/6 each; cock Redpoll, 1/-; deposit: Collins, Brookside, Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (4)

FOR SALE, NO APPROVAL, CASH ONLY

One Crystal Palace cage, cost 10/6, sell 5/-: 2 parted breeding cages, 5/-, sell 2/6 each; 1 single parted breeding cage (Rudd's), cost 8/6, sell 4/6; 1 three-parted breeding cage, 8/6, sell 4/6; 1 large square tin cage, do for stock cage, slightly damaged, 5/-. Birds left: 1 pair Cockatiels, 15/- pair; 8 Green Budgies, 2/6 pair: 10 Yellow Budgies, 3/6 pair; 1 Bullfinch, 8/-; 20 Foreign, 30/- lot, with a single breed cage: 4 round seed tins, 24in. high, 18in. wide, 6/- each; 1 wood aviary, sectional, size 2½yds. long, 7ft. high, price £4: write for particulars: W. S. Slingsby, Marine Drive, Bridlington. (1989)

WANTED.

WANTED, anything alive: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (3)

WANTED, Mules, Canaries and British: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

WANTED, good yellow cock Siskin, exchange Norwich. See Norwich advertisement.—Bowdidge.

WANTED, 1914 yellow Norwich cock, winner, on approval, good price paid: D. Betty, Goodwick. (1999)

WANTED breeders' surplus stock, sizey Norwich, Lancashires, or lengthy Yorkshires; also Parrot; cash exchange: 17, Pembroke Road, Walthamstow. (1980)

WANTED.

All desiring the best value in Canaries, Mules, British Birds, to send for my 1915 Price List. Post-card will do.—**RUDD, Specialist, Norwich.**

WANTED, first-class quality contest Linnet, fair price for good bird in full song: 20, Lawrence-st., York. (1)

WANTED, Canaries and Mule birds, all classes, any number: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1997)

WANTED, Canaries, cocks and hens; Linnets, Larks wanted: state prices: Manager, Bird Stores, Wakefield. (4)

WANTED Yorkshires and German Rollers, Canaries, lowest price, prompt cash: Manager, Bird Stores, Ossett. (3)

WANTED, Canaries, all varieties: cash or exchange cages any description: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (3)

WANTED, a large quantity of all kinds of Canaries and British, also talking Parrots: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1995)

WANTED, selected Goldfinches; exchange Scotch thistle, dandelion seed, or Norwich: Cowan, 25, New Stock-st., Paisley. (2)

OFFERS for six 1914 Norwich cocks, good songsters; or exchange pair for Roller cock: Spriggs, Sandyrd. Potton, Beds. (1998)

WANTED, Yorkshire, colour-fed; give 6 6 pair; deposit cash: two Mules; stamp reply: Oliver, 2, Bridport-pl., Hoxton. (5)

WANTED, Canaries, exchange new most up-to-date double breeding cages: Day, 5, Carleton-ter., Halton-rd., Islington, N. (1)

WILL buy for cash any quantity hen Canaries, 1/-; hen Goldfinch Mules, 1 -: Helyar, 55, Pattacksrd., North Brixton, S.W. (5)

WANTED, good pair Canaries; exchange jointer's tools, hand camera, new ½-plate lens, flower roots; approval: Cypher, Bedwas (4)

WANTED, few fine Rollers; no choppers; will give good exchange in Norwich or Roller hens: 5, Water Heys-terr., Wigan. (1997)

WANTED, a very large mule cock Brown Linnet, also hen Siberian Budlie, reasonable: Sadler, 33, Preston-av., Hafe End, Essex. (2)

WANTED, Rollers, cocks and hens: must be good feeders; will exchange buff Norwich, cock and hen: Small, 67, Western-rd., Brighton. (4)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1989)

WANTED, water Glucke cock, rung 1914, give 3 Ranwell's hens, rung 1914: Anderton, Wireless, Ram-Head, Cawsand, Plymouth. (1988)

WANTED, any quantity of singing cock Canaries, any breed, cheap for cash: Edward Bruce, 124, Blackfriars-rd., Salford, Manchester. (1994)

WANTED, Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign birds for re-sale; lowest price for cash: C. A. Paine, 54, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (1966)

WANTED good Norwich hen; exchange gent's silver watch, sound time-keeper guaranteed, sell 10/-: Horne, 13, Louisville-avenue, Gillingham. (1995)

WANTED, pair of good typical white Canaries, or one of either sex, healthy, 1914 birds: Sulman, 18, Southwood Lane, Highgate, London, N. (1995)

WANTED, Canaries, British and foreign birds, dogs, mice, pigeons, monkeys, Parrots; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (5)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules, give 1/- each; will buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 257, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (1993)

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules, Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches: Bickitt, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. (1995)

WANTED, Canaries, Mules, and Goldfinches, either sex, for prompt cash: Merrington, Bird Dealer, 40, Besson-st., New Cross, London, S.E. (1996)

WANTED, for prompt cash, Canaries, Mules, either sex: state price, if colour-fed: Trask, Bird Specialist, Cheshaw House, Broadway, Deptford, London, S.E. (3)

WANTED, offers for good Norwich, or Border Canaries, or Mules, Garden propagator, and glass, 9 and 9 in. wanted: School, Alderton, Chippenham, Wilts. (2000)

WANTED, Canaries; exchange Goldfinches, Bullfinches, oak case grandfather clock; bird stuffing, trapping, books: Westrope, Agent, St. Bumpstead, Haverhill. (1987)

WANTED, book, "Our Canaries," in exchange for good matched pair Norwich, stock birds, young and healthy, accept 15 - pair: West, 17, Kimberley-st., Briercliffe, Burnley. (1994)

WANTED, yellow Norwich cock; exchange yellow hen, Vardy's; exchange large buff cock for mack. or coat, also mole pelts for lady's boots or clothing Cook, Pembridge. (1993)

LARGE clear Yellow Norwich cock, will exchange four dozen double and single pyrethrums (hybrids), three year-old: or sell, 4 - doz.: W. Gardener, 32, Bruford-rd., Wolverhampton. (1)

WANTED, good unflighted Yellow Norwich cock, good head and colour, for stock, will give two good unflighted buff cocks for stock: Roberts, 41, Haywood-st., Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent. (1982)

NOTICE, will give 6- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, and British birds cheap: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas.

CANARIES wanted for cash, good prices given for surplus Norwich and Yorkshires, well bred cocks and hens, any quantity: deposit; same address 22 years: G. Smith, Central Bird Stores, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (1999)

CANARIES

Wanted, any quantity or cock Canaries, including Borders, Rollers, Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, etc also cock Mule, best prices given: cash by return of post. Chapman's Bird Dealer, Birmingham. (4)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

Goldfinch Mules, cock or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit. CAGE BIRDS, Powers and Russell, Granby place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

WANTED

Any quantity Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinches, Linnets, etc.; send on, best market prices given per return post; established 50 years: Sandiford, 20, Scialer-st., Shoreditch, London; also at Preston.

Wanted, Hen Canaries

18/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrot or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leyton-tone, Essex. (1997)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

COCK Goldfinch, full song, 4/-, will exchange two colour-fed 1914 hen Canaries: Jinks, 2, Bramall-lane, Sheffield. (1997)

GOOD British exchanged for Canaries and Mules: Fred Allen, British Bird Champion, 156, Porter-st., Hull. (3)

LIGHT Goldie Mule, nearly even marked; exchange cock Goldies, what offers: Caselton, 53, Roundhay-rd., Leeds. (5)

EXCHANGE hand-reared cock Goldfinch for a pair of lengthy Yorkshires, or sell 10 -; approval: Nowell, Cropwell, Notts. (1994)

WILL exchange two cock Bullies, three cock Linnets, cock Chaffinch, for large 1914 Norwich hen: H. Pinnell, Warminster. (1995)

EXCHANGE cock Siskin Mule for good muling cock Goldfinch; approval both ways: Lindsay, Uddington, Douglas, Lanarkshire. (1995)

FOUR Yorkshire hens, 2 hen Goldfinch Mules; exchange Goldfinches: John Smith, 13, Bank Lane, Nelson-st., Maryport, Cumberland. (1994)

BROWN Linnet Mule, dark bred, outside, 1914; exchange for 1914 Norwich cock: E. Wilson, 5, Station Terrace, Ripley, Derbyshire. (5)

FOR sale, two Greenfinch cocks, Canary, Bullfinch, Greenfinch hens, lot 10/-; exchange Goldfinch, Breeder, Topping, David-st., Dumfries. (2)

COCK Bullfinch, large, grand bird, 1 6; ditto hen, 9d., or exchange pair for tame Jay, Hawk, or Little Owl: J. Goodchild, Clare, Suffolk. (5)

BULLFINCH, Greenfinch, cocks; muling hen Canary, cock Siskin, 5/6 lot; wanted, pair Green Bud gerigars: Conie, Newtown, Raunds, Wellingboro. (1998)

EXCHANGE cock Greenfinch hen Redpoll, proved breeders, cock Redpoll, cock Bramblefinch, for hen Canaries or muling Linnet: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (1)

MULES, three pairs Goldfinch-Canaries 5/- pair, Goldfinch-Bullfinch 4/-, Greenfinch Bullfinch 3 -, cock Bullfinches 2 -; exchange: Robinson, 77, Harborough, Rushden. (1998)

WHAT offers in Roller Canaries for cock Goldfinch and cock Linnet, both H.M., and fit for the Bench; approval both ways: Jeffries, Vine House, Shipston-on-Stour. (1992)

HOUSE-MOULTED Mealy-Redpoll, Chaffinch, cocks; Greenie hen; exhibition Border buff hen, 10 6; exchange Russian Bullfinch hen or Norwich muling hen: Ray. (See Borders.) (1998)

CLEARING, H.M. cock Goldfinch, muler, 6/-; two Linnets, 3/-; Yellow Bunting, 2nd Clapham, 6/-, or exchange typical Border hens, 1914, cinnamon, green, or clears; offers: 31, Wilcox-rd., S.W. (4)

EXHIBITION cock Bramblefinch, 10/-; Bullfinch, 7/6; Chaffinch, 7/6; Greenfinch Mule, 7/-; Mealy Redpoll, 5/-; all house-moulted, or exchange any of the above for a good yellow Norwich hen or Border Fancies; must be good birds: G. Swinburn, 120, Weardale-st., Spennymoor. (2)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE 3 1914 1 1913 Roller hens for Norwich cock, or sell 8 -: Osborn, St. Helens, Wight. (1990)

TWO prize-bred Border hens, 3/6 each; exchange Border cock, or offers: 126, Lee-rd., Blackheath, S.E. (1997)

WILL exchange 3 large healthy Norwich hens for two cock Mules; mutual approval: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1977)

EXCHANGE 8 clear hen Canaries for lady's bicycle or sell for 20/-, or offers: Nowell, Saddler, Cropwell, Notts. (1994)

THREE good Norwich cocks; exchange for hens or good British: Robert Black, 28, High-st., Irvine, Ayrshire, Scotland. (1991)

GRAND pair Norwich, exchange non-flighted Crested hen; approval with pleasure, yours first: Calam, 59, Baxtergate, Whitby. (1980)

EXCHANGE, Border cock, 3 hens (Pratt's strain), for Yorkshires; anything useful, sell £1: Elford, Queen-st., Exmouth. (1989)

CLEAR yellow and clear Buff Plainhead cocks; exchange large 1914 yellow hens; yours first: Lawrie, Chapel-st., Buckhaven.

EXCHANGE, Yorkshire cock and cage 1914, for two show homer hens, good approval: Watson, 52, Ash-st., Blackburn. (1993)

EXCHANGE, six-pointed yellow Border Fancy hen for buff Cinnamon hen or Siskin cock: Campbell, Rollands-st., Dunfermline. (2)

TWO yellow Yorkshire cocks, both winners, £3; exchange 1for Crested or Crestbred hen: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1994)

CLEAR cap Gold Liz. and hen, 1914, 5 -; muling Goldfinch buff Norwich hen, 10/6; approval: Earlton, Market Place, Pocklington. (1995)

CLEAR buff 1914 Norwich cock, winner, 15/-; exchange yellow cock or hen, mutual approval: King, Machpelah, Hebden Bridge. (1995)

ONE dark Crest and three Roller hens, 10 -, or exchange cocks or foreign seedeaters: Mahony, 2a, Fountain Building-, Bath. (1990)

WILL exchange bull variegated Border cock (prize-bred) for two good yellow Border hens, sell 10/-: Evans, 76, Brook-st., Penygraig. (1995)

EXCHANGE, two pair Borders for good unflighted yellow Norwich hen, yours first; no rubbish wanted: Knight, Holmelea, Harrington. (1993)

BUFF cock, buff hen, variegated hen, Norwich; exchange Rollers, Goldfinches, Linnets; yours first: Davis, 125, Lord-st., Fleetwood. (1993)

CANARIES. Exchange 4 pair of feeders, all young and sound, for a good Lancashire cock: 20, Sherbrook-rd., Carrington, Notts. (1993)

EXCHANGE two pair Yorkshires for good yellow Norwich cock, value 25/-; approval: J. Robinson, Lonsdale-st., Newfield, Manchester. (2)

GOOD pen Buff Rock Bantams, 2 pullets and cockerel; exchange for Yorkshires, Norwich, or Borders: Lewery, West Stafford, Dorchester. (1993)

EXCHANGE grand 1911 buff Norwich cock, unfld. for pair of good 1914 clear Borders: Jos. Smith, 15, Lowthwaite-square, Port-rd., Carlisle (1997)

PAIR Yorkshire, breed Cinnamon marks, 15/-, exchange yellow Norwich, stock cock, good head, neck: Rand, 47, Wicklow-st., Middlesbro. (1994)

EXCHANGE, cock Yorkshire, big, lovely bird, for double breeding cage, or two hen Rollers. J. Greenwood, Coleshill, near Birmingham. (1990)

EXCHANGE, a good York shire cock for a good self green yellow hen Yorkshire; yours first; approval: L. A. Ward, 150, Bridge end-rd., Grantham (1992)

FOR sale or exchange, one pair Yorkshires, 10/6; one pair Norwich, 8/6, good cock Greenfinch Mule, 6/6, two songsters, 4/6 each; what offers: Fred Gibson, Market Square, Tideswell, near Buxton. (1995)

COCK Canaries, 1914 Roller 6/-, 1913 Crested 6/-, or exchange carpenter's tools; mutual approval; yours first: Rowsell, Hornchiffe, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1999)

EXCHANGE good young Crested cock for Crested hen or C.B. yellow Norwich cock, for large yellow-marked hen: W. Lockhart, Kirtlebridge, Ecclefechan. (3)

SPLENDID Norwich and Roller hens, 3/- upwards; will exchange few for anything useful; good Roller cock wanted: 5, Water Heys-terr., Wigan. (1997)

1914 GOLDFINCH Mule (Goldfinch note); exchange Norwich hen, Crested hen, or British; offers: Martyn Leigh, 37, Queen's Gardens, Brighton. (1990)

EXCHANGE, first-class Yorkshire cock, good stock bird, for a good Crest-bred cock or Norwich hens, sell 10/-: Collins, Brookside, Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (4)

NORWICH hens, 2/6 each; Yorkshires, pairs, 7/6; exchange boy's boots, overcoat, musical instrument, anything useful: Hornsby, Long Row, Page Bank. (5)

WHAT offers in British for two 1913 Yorkshire hens, bred mules last year, one with pedigree and rung, or sell, 7/- two: G. Fisher, 4, Falkirk-st., Shoreditch (1998)

WILL exchange buff York cock, for H.M. yellow Greenfinch; approval both ways, or sell, 10/-; no rubbish: J. Adams, 31, Manor-pl., Bromboro Pool, Birkenhead. (1999)

EXCHANGE, long slim Yorkshire cock, yellow or buff, 12/6, for good Norwich cock or two hens, size wanted; approval both ways: Knight, 46, Spencer-rd., Kentish Town. (4)

EXCHANGE, champion Yorkshires, for good blankets, boots, or cloth, see my advt. under heading Yorkshires: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. (3)

GIVING up Fancy. All my winning Norwich for sale, grand, typical birds, from £1 pair upwards, or exchange household goods; approval: McIntosh, 25, King-st., Peterhead. (1991)

GOOD breeding pair of Nor., green cock, buff hen, also cock Goldfinch and splashed hen: exchange talking Parrot and cage; offers: A. Rowland, Newtown, Dunlon, Biggleswade. (1995)

WHAT offers in Canaries or British or foreign birds for single or double-breeding cages, or Yorkshire, Norwich, or Border show cages: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle-Douglas. (575)

A FEW Scotch Fancies for sale, young, all colours, both sexes, or will exchange for a good buff hen, any colour; approval both ways; yours first: William Edgar, 76, Queensherry-st., Dumfries. (1983)

WANTED, pair unflighted green Norwich, self-green unflighted buff Yorks. hen, stock; exchange foul-green Yorks. or clears, matched for breeding; mutual appro.: G. Elkins, Belper, Derbyshire. (5)

HELLO!—Grand pair Yorkshire Canaries, bargain, 10/6, or exchange for Budgerigars and little cash, or for Cockatiels: also wanted good large hearthrug or carpet: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (1993)

EXCHANGE good lengthy Yorkshire cock for Sandow's developers; yours first; 1914 hand-reared cock Linnet, 7/6 or nearest offer: Wilfred Barker, Hairdresser, Park-rd., Crosland Moor, Huddersfield. (1)

WELL-BRED Yorkshires, yellow and buff cocks, 5/6, 6/6 each; smart medium buff hen, 3/-; exchange good yellow Norwich cock or hen, or Goldfinches; yours first: Delf, 40, Coop-terrace, Newsham, Northumberland. (1995)

EXCHANGE, clear Grizzle, 1913 Crested cock and dark 1914 Crestbred hen, for pair Norwich Plainheads, young, yellow hen, buff cock, or sell, 30/-; approval: A. Bishop, 56, Castle Terrace, Winchburgh. (1995)

PAIR of good Belgians, cock, he Gateshead show, in mixed class of 28, the pair 20/-; exchange 1914 Norwich hens, or cock Goldfinches; approval: H. Wakenshaw, 62, Plessey-rd., New Delaval, Newsham, Northumberland. (1996)

GRAND leggy foul green Yorkshire hen, 6/-; exchange songster; two pure Seifert Roller hens, 6/-, exchange songster; highly trained Roller Schoolmaster, 15/6, exchange songsters; yours first; approval: Clarke, 82, High-st., Sydenham. (3)

BUFF tick Border cock, clear yellow hen, 10/-; three wing-marked Border hens, 6/-; clear yellow Norwich cock, 1913, and buff hen, 1914, 12 6; clear yellow Norwich cock, 1914, 10/-; yellow Linnet Mule, large Goldfinch Mule, buff, 10/- each; offers wanted brass, gas, cycle lamp: Alexr. Cook, Stamford Hall, Gullane, Haddingtonshire. (1992)

EXCHANGE for Norwich, Hybrids, Mules, British Roller cock 7/-, hen 1/9, H.M. Linnet 3/-, another, a monster, 6/-, both umlers; Linnets 9d., three 2/-; Goldfinches 2/6, three 6/6; Brownie camera, 2-A, perfect, cost 12/6, sell 5/-; lovely wooden horse (no rockers), 5ft. long, 3ft. 6in. high, cost 100/-, accept 25/-; approval, deposit: Morgan, Corn Stores, Shakespeare-st., Cardiff. (1)

Mainly Foreign.

EXCHANGE good Indian Green Parrot for pair of Yorkshires or Norwich Canaries: William Aird, Cannonholme, Auchenheath. (4)

BUDGERIGARS, from 4/-; breeders, 4/6 pair; exchange for tame talking Parrakeet, Galah or Parrot: F. Hill, Southwold. (1990)

Miscellaneous.

FOURTEEN double-sided records, 10-in.; exchange Norwich: R. Robson, 308, Rectory-rd., Gateshead. (1987)

EXCHANGE incubator and foster-mother for show homers or poultry: 25, Wigan-rd., Westhoughton. (1989)

EXCHANGE three standard Engineering Books for cock Goldfinches: Diamond, 47, High-st., Barry, Glam. (1)

EXCHANGE, black long-haired male kitten, any thing useful, no live stock: Wales, Millport, Buteshire. (1995)

CANARIES to £2 and cash £2, for large telescope and case, etc.: Herbage, 9, Cranbrook-rd., Walthamstow. (1993)

YOUNG Collie dog for sale, cheap, or exchange birds or cages, or offers: Wall, 30, Union-st., Darlington. (1998)

WILL exchange Dark Goldfinch mule for large 1914 Norwich cock, or sell 10 -: Osborn, St. Helens, Wight (1990)

GOOD loud Pathe gramophone, take pin or sapphire records, 25/-, lift up lid, exchange: 27, Tatton-st., Salford (1994)

WANTED, poultry: exchange high-class Canaries and cages complete: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1997)

TWENTY high class self Cavies, fit to win, cheap, or exchange for fowls: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1997)

WHAT offers in cockatiels for 5 pairs high-class, long-distance homers: G. Malkin, Briggale, Garforth, near Leeds. (2)

EXCHANGE pair top boots, size 6, for cash or hen Canaries: Fuller, 18, Archbishop-pl., Somers rd., Brixton. (1991)

EXCHANGE calabash pipe, nearly new, mounted, cost 6/6, for 2 Roller hens, young: Pickles, Hairdresser, Skipton. (2)

LAYING pullets, singing Canaries, Parrots, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (5)

WANTED offers in Canaries for all-wool Scotch blankets, or sell 25/-: Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (2)

EXCHANGE, two splendid cock Goldies for cycle gas lamp, or sell, 6/-; approval, Beales Kelling, Heath Holt, Norfolk. (1990)

EXCHANGE 8 first-class flying tipplers for poultry or birds; approval: Harry James, 72, Gordon-st., Burslem, Staffordshire. (1991)

EXCHANGE 8 hybrid tea roses for young cock Roller or Yorkshire in song: Dolphin, Prospect-terr., Brockwell, Chesterfield. (1992)

WANTED, Schoolmaster Roller, in exchange for excellent field glasses in case: Geo. Gazeley, Holywell-cottage, St. Albans. (1)

BIRDCATCHER'S complete outfit, only twice used, cost 30/-; exchange Canaries or anything: Davis, 66, Troughton-st., Liverpool. (1986)

EXCHANGE four show cages, one Lark cage for pair 1914 Yorkshires, or anything useful: Collins, Morchard Bishop, Devon. (1997)

EXCHANGE Irish Terrier dog, 10 months', suit ratter or lonely place, for Yorkshire Canaries: Heushaw, South Normanton. (1998)

PAIR Palmer's tubes, new; exchange hen Yorkshires or foreign: Goodwin, Cobourg Villas, Cobourg rd., Old Kent-rd., London. (2)

PRETTY lady's gold watch, good lime-keeper, sell 25/-; exchange British birds: Rose, 152, Worrington-rd. North, Kensington. (1987)

LADY'S gold watch, rolled gold chain; exchange Canaries, singing, or Mules, singing: Tomson, 111, High-rd., Willesden Green. (5)

EXCHANGE, prize Whitehorn cockerel for pair Yorkshire Canaries, or sell 7 6: Henry, 13, King Edward's-rd., Ponders End. (1995)

HANDSOME Airedale dog, sell £3, worth £5; exchange Canaries, Mules, British, Foreign birds: Lanham, 36, Walcot, Bath. (5)

LURCHER for sale, £1, or exchange birds or lady's gold ring; further particulars apply: Tompson, Blaina-rd., Llandebie, Carm. (1992)

EXCHANGE household goods, boots, cycle tyres, for all kinds of live stock: Jopson's Exchange Stores, Newton Heath, Manchester. (2)

CRYSTAL Palace aviary, 2 double-breeders, complete, nearly new, bargain, 12/-; stamp: Lane, 30, Oxford-rd., Kilburn, London.

GOOD Greenie Mule, 2nd 1ikeston, 25/-, exchange good yellow Norwich hen; approval: Wilcox, Ivycottage, New Sawley, Derby. (1999)

SINGLE barrelled 410 folding gun, in excellent condition, exchange hen Canaries or will sell for £1 5s.: Hopcroft, Twells-st., Nottingham. (1998)

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EXCHANGE pair Old English Spangle Bantams for pair Sib. or Yorkshires, or sell 15/-; yours first: H. Perks, 47, Green-st., Sydney. (1997)

CANARIES, cock and 2 hens, 2 breeders; exchange for phonograph or eight-day clock: Troy, 47, Fairborne-rd., Tottenham, N. (1990)

WHAT offers in Roller Canaries for five racing Pigeons, flown Weymouth, parents flown Marennes: H. Willis, 3, Britten-st., Redditch. (1998)

EXCHANGE motor-cycle spares, gent.'s Ariel bicycle, lady's Rea cycle, for any variety birds: Aitken, 27, Denbigh-rd., Ealing, W. (1990)

EXCHANGE pedigree wire Fox-terrier bitch, 6 mths., for first-class Yorkshire cock, sell 10s.: Anderton, 100, Church-st., Castleton, Nr. Manchester. (2000)

EXCHANGE, English and Dutch rabbits, good breed, for cage birds, show cages, or anything useful: Hewling, Plumber, Skelton, Cleveland. (2)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, new condition; exchange for Canaries, Mules, poultry; approval: Cuthbert, 241, Essex-rd., Islington, London. (2)

GRAMOPHONE and 11 double-sided records, machine alone cost 3 gns.; exchange Toy dog or talking Parrot: Woodhall, 160, Dudley Port. (5)

EXTRAORDINARY offer, 1 pair white Blankets given in exchange for 1 pair or four hen Canaries: Exchange Stores, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (2)

EXCHANGE pair good scales, brass plate, and scope weigh 2lbs., for Canaries, etc., sell 10/-; Standard Aviaries, Newton Heath, Manchester. (2)

WHAT offers, pair Old English Game Bantam pullets, splendidly spangled, cage birds preferred; approval: Penalunn, Park-terrace, Blackwood, Mon. (4)

WILL give pair large warm blankets, pure wool, not rubbish, for 3 good cock Canaries, full song, or returned: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (3)

VERY handsome pair of Roller Canaries; will exchange for lady's or gent's left-off clothing; parcels first: Mrs. Dominick, 17, Spa rd., Bermondsey. (1996)

NOTICE.—We want poultry, bantams, pigeons, rabbits, anything in exchange for cutlery and plate. —Write, Smith Bros., 47, Pear st., Sheffield. (1991)

EXCHANGE wire-haired Fox-terrier bitch, four months, for H.M. cock Linnet, or Goldie, or sell 5/-; yours first: Mason, 42, Knight-st., Worcester. (1990)

GRAND long net, 20in. high, 30 yards long, ready for setting, sell 7/6; or exchange, Canaries preferred: J. Holden, 71, Addison rd., Fleetwood. (1992)

WANTED, good Canary cock, in exchange for Silver Verge watch, value 10/6, or 5 Zonophone records, new: H. Tillman, Kempston, Bedford (1989)

HANDSOME black and white Scotch Collie bitch, maiden, 4-year-old, thorough good ratter and house dog, value £1; apply to: R. Burns, Eartham, Bognor.

SILVER Geneva watch, good timekeeper, Iver albert and medal, sell 30/-, exchange birds, anything: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Workshop, Notts.

ROSE BREASTED Parrot and cage 20/-, pair Civil Service field glasses £1, or exchange Canaries or Budgerigars: T. Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury

TWELVE each mortise and gouge chisels, a cricket, in new condition, sell, 16/-, offers in poultry or rabbits, hares Purie, 30, Charlotte-st., Barnsbury, N. (1991)

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MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

ALFRETON C.B.S.—Red Lion Hotel, Jan. 9. 50 entries. Mr. B. Simpson judged. Principal winners: Mr. J. Adnitt took all prizes in open Norwich and Mules, and Mr. G. Beardall all prizes in open Yorks. and A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, Adnitt; 2, Sawer; 3, Andrews. Principal winners in NOV. NOR.: Cockayne, Spencer, Holt; NOV. YORKS.: Spencer, Andrews, Sawer, Abbott.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.—Mail Coach Inn, Jan. 9. Mr. T. Twigg judged 92 birds. Some very fine birds were shown in all sections, the British being exceptionally good. Mr. Brotherton won most points for cup, after a close race with Messrs. Wall and Jones. Principal winners:—YORKS: Wall, Wiltshire, Hicks, Brotherton. NOR.: Jones, Dyson, Hunt, Wall, Griffiths; BRIT.: Brotherton, Dyson, Allott, Jones.

GUISELEY YEADON C.B.S.—Regent Hotel, Guiseley, Dec. 26. Mr. A. Chew judged 100 birds. Principal winners: Andrews, W. Boulton, Brown, J. Boulton, Fawcett, Dibb, Long, Wheatley. Highest birds in 4 shows: 1, gold medal, J. Audrews, 68 pts.; 2, J. T. Boulton, 64; 3, W. Long, 63; 4, A. Wheatley, 60. Most points open, 4 highest birds: 1, W. Dibb, 56; 2, W. H. Boulton, 51; 3, A. Brown, 47; 4, F. Fawcett, 40; 5, H. Hardaker, 34.—W. Long, Sec.

RADCLIFFE C.B.S.—Autumn show. Conservative Club, Dec. 5. Judge, Mr. Lomax. Principal winners: YORKS.: Spiby, Pickup, Colley. NOR.: Allen, Grimshaw, Bolton, Brannan, Lord, Williams. ROLLERS: Britton, Ogden, Pearson, Bolton. MULES: Jefferys, Allen. BRIT.: Grimshaw, Pickup, Jefferys, Ogden, Walton.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A. Monthly show, headquarters, Dec. 9. 58 entries. Messrs. C. Pearson and A. Goble judged. Special winners: Diploma best Brit., Jones; F.M., Brown; Canary, Dandridge; Novice, Pinyonn; spl. best Yorks., Dandridge; Nor., Olle; Crest, Pinyoan; 2nd best Brit., James; 2nd F.M., Morrish; best vhc Can., Wall; best Brit., 1914 member, Dean; best in show, James. Principal class winners: YORKS.: Gibb, Wall, Dandridge. NOR.: Olle, Gibb. NON-FED: Olle, Wiliams. CRESTS: Pinyonn, Gibb. NOV.: Williams, Absolon, Oakshott. HENS: Dandridge, Olle. BRIT.: James, Firth, Gibb, Morrish, Mrs. Gibb, Brown. MULES: Gibb.

AUDLEY ROLLER C.S. Church School Room, Dec. 5. Mr. Tomlinson judged. YOUNG BIRDS: 1, 2, cup, medal, Croes, 28, 27; 3, c, Leech, 25, 18; vhc, Aldridge, 24; hc, Thomason, 21. OPEN: 1, Williams, 31; 2, Watson, 28; 3, Mason, 27; vhc, Aldridge, 26; hc, Cross, 26; c, Taylor, 25.

STRATFORD AND E. LONDON F.S.—Dec. 9. Mr. P. Laftbury judged. Principal winners: YORKS.: Parker. BORD.: Reed. A.O.V.: Reed, Parker. BRIT.: Parker, Bayliss. Spl. best in show, Parker.

HALIFAX O.S.—Dec. 12, Plummet Line Hotel. 59 entries. Mr. J. Chambers judged. Principal winners: CHAMP. YORKS.: Burdekin Bros., Lloyd, Wilkinson. NOV.: Speak, Barnes, Ellis, Sharp, Smith, Sladdin, Scruton, Briggs. NOR.: Clegg. NOV.: Corney. BRIT.: Mottram, Benn. Specials, Champ.: 1, Macpherson, 9 pts.; 2, Burdekin Bros., 8. Nov.: 1, Barnes, 13; 2, Speak, 10.—H. Clegg, Sec.

E. ARDSLEY C.B.S.—Dec. 12. Mr. S. Wilcock judged 32 birds. Principal winners: Burnell, Waind, Pyrah.

IDLE C.B.S.—Last show of season, Dec. 12, White Bear Inn. Mr. P. Mason judged. Principal winners: Chippendale, Studd, Pearson. NOV.: Thomas, Baxter, Pitts. Spl. winners for year: Champion cup, value £10 10s., J. Chippendale, 76 points; 2, F. Studd, 55; 3, Pearson, 39; other spls., W. Sparke, C. E. Hylton. Novice shield, £5 5s., W. H. Thomas, 72 pts.; 2, B. Baxter, 63; 3, Pitts; 4, Major Hall. Most points, 2 nominated birds, W. H. Thomas.—C. E. Hylton, Sec.

PUDSEY STANNINGLEY C.B.S.—Last show of season, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 73 birds. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged. Principal winners: Winn, Taylor, Raistrick, Ackroyd, Marsh, Forrest, Patchett, Page, Towler and Hargreaves. Season's prizes: 1, Marsh, 119 pts.; 2, Winn, 78; 3, Page, 77; 4, Ackroyd, 76; 5, Taylor, 74; 6, 7, Towler and Hargreaves and Raistrick tie (59); 8, Forrest, 32. Novices, Patchett 32, Lumby and Casson 6, Kell 1. Mr. Booth's 3 specials: Oct. and Nov., Towler and Hargreaves; Dec., Lumby and Casson. Mr. Clumber's special, Marsh.—H. Raistrick, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.—Dec. 19, 45 entries. Mr. M. Pell judged. Principal winners: YORKS.: Atkinson, W. Sykes, F. Sykes, Crowther, Cawtheray and Son, Cox, Buttle and Coupland, Morris. NOR.: Morris, Jackson, Cawtheray and Son. Principal points winners for year: CHAMP.: 1, Morris, 74; 2, A. Radley, 70; 3, Lawford and Son, 62; 4, Jackson, 30. NOV.: 1, Cawtheray and Son, 149; F. Sykes, 126; Rhodes, 112; Buttle and Coupland, 47; M. Radley, 44; Nov. cup, Cawtheray and Son (outright).—A. Lawford, Sec.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.—Dec. 26, Flying Dutchman, last show of season, 103 entries. Mr. M. Broadley judged. Principal winners: OPEN YORKS.: Horsfield, Naylor, Elsegood, Helliwell. NOV.: Symes, Bollina, Woad, Rhodes, Bolton and Lunn, Bower. OPEN NOR.: Plowright, Clark, Airton. NOV.: Betts, Jenkinson, Lythell, Kaberry, Simonett. Points: Open Yorks.: Helliwell 123, Horsfield 96, Elsegood 78, Smith 50: Nov.: Symes 130, Woad 102, Bolton and Lunn 95, Bowes 50; Open Nor.: Plowright 114, Airton 94, Roe 56; Nov.: Kaberry 73, Simonett 55, Betts 33; W. H. Symes wins cup most points champ. or nov. Yorks., and W. Plowright cup for Norwich.—W. Helliwell, Sec.

ACCRINGTON C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Crown Hotel. Principal winners: CINN.: Riding, Hartup. NOR.: Crawshaw, Hirst. NOV.: Hartup, Rooney, Studdard, Parkinson. YORKS.: Hirst, Ramsden, Crawshaw. NOV.: Harwood, Studdard. MULES AND BRIT.: Walsh. FOR.: Walsh, Crawshaw. Cup most points champ. section during season, W. Crawshaw; nov. cup, D. Harwood; sp. 1st and 2nd best birds in show, W. Crawshaw; 3rd best, A. Hirst. Nov. sps.: 1, Rooney; 2, Hartup; 3, Studdard; sp. for remainder of classes, W. Crawshaw.

LEEDS C.B.S.—Dec. 26. 205 entries. Mr. W. A. Cowgill judged. Principal winners: YORKS.: Marsh, Norton, Sykes, Hall, Baldwinson. NOR.: Heald, Wilford, Wilson, Johnson, Livingstone, Barnet, Baldwinson. A.O.V.: Hornby. BRIT.: Owen, Haigh, Middleton. MULES: Owen, Haigh. NOV. YORKS.: Featherstone, Dobson, Simms, Reeds and Longley, Firth, Watkinson. Spl. best bird and cup best unflig., J. Sykes; medal, best fed, C. E. Hall.

This being the last show of the season, was of special interest, as members were running neck and neck for the various trophies and specials. Results: LEEDS CUP, 4 starred birds: Sykes 43, Wilson 41. F. SOMERS CUP, 6 starred birds: Wilson 61. KIT CHEN CUP, best unflig. bred by exhibitor: Sykes. LEEDS RING BIRD CUP, three highest birds: Livingstone 55. MEMBERS' SPS., 6 highest birds: Haigh 115, Middleton 102, Wilson 98, Reeds and Longley 98, Owen 93, Livingstone 92, Marsh 82, Hall 75, Simms 74, Featherstone 68, Sykes 64, Firth 62. SECTION GOLD MEDALS, 6 highest birds, open Yorks.: Marsh 82, Hall 70; Nor., Wilson 98, Livingstone 92; Brit., Haigh 115, Middleton 102; Nov., Reeds and Longley 98, Simms 74. A.O.V. CAN.: Dr. Cummings 19, Mr. W. Hornby, the donor, did not compete. MR. WILKINSON'S SPL., most points Linnet: Owen 30; Grecnf., Middleton 23. Notification of any errors in above should be sent to me immediately. E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

GAINSBORO' C.B.S.—In aid of the Belgium Relief Fund, Dec. 12, 138 entries. Mr. W. Vardy judged. Principal winners: NOR.: Conway Bros., Green, Palliser, Foster, Jackson, Hudson, Newbert. YORKS.: W. Cooper, Collinson. BRIT.: W. Miller, Green, Rev. Buries. MULES: G. Seaton, Green. FOR.: Collinson, Antingham. T. Palliser won chall. cup best bird in show. Other spl. winners: T. Green best unflig. Nor., Conway Bros. most points in Canaries, W. Miller most points Brit.

WAKEFIELD O.S.—Final show of season, Dec. 26. Mr. W. Wilson judged. Principal winners: YORKS.: Bedford, Talbot, Holroyd. MULES: Isherwood. BRIT.: Midgley, Bedford, Isherwood. Cup winner, F. Bedford: runner-up, G. Holroyd.

WINTERTON F.S.—Cross Keys Club Room. Stainton won 1, 2, 3, in YORKS., NOR., and SELL., and sp. best bird with the selling class winner. BRIT.: 1, Tate.

WINDHILL C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Blue Bell Hotel. 81 entries. Mr. W. Richmond judged. Principal winners: CHAMP.: Broadley, Walsh, Sutcliffe and Son, Goodwin, Halliday, Mason, Garnett. NOV.: Fretwell, Baxter, Spencer, Walker, Hopwood, Wilman, Harney. Spl. hottest fed, Garnett. Season's spls.: CHAMP.: Goodwin, 72 pts.; Halliday, 57; Garnett, 50; Sutcliffe and Son, 27; P. Mason, 31. NOV.: Fretwell, 90; Baxter, 69; Ellis, 41; Spencer, 35; Harney, 26; Walker, 26. STARRED BIRD: Fretwell, 50 pts.—Taylor and Ellie, Sees.

BRADFORD O.S.—Final show of season, Park Chapel Schools, Dec. 15. Mr. L. Dykes, judge. 111 entries. Principal winners: CHAMP.: Walker, Stables, Wilkinson Bros., Farrar, Northrop, Laycock. NOV.: Wheelwright, Taylor Bros., Wroe, W. Walker, G. Taylor, Hargreaves, Bousfield. Points for year: CHAMP.: 1, Laycock, 99; 2, Farrar, 94; 3, Wilkinson Bros., 85; 4 and 5, tie, Northrop, Stables, 73 each. Gold medal unflighted, and silver cup most pts., 4 highest birds, Farrar.—Wm. Cruise, Hon. Sec.

CASTLEFORD C.B.S.—Spiritual Hall, Dec. 26. 77 entries. Mr. F. Stirk judged. Principal winners: YORKS.: H. Holroyd, J. Holroyd, Varley, Ingledew, Harriman, Richardson, Tomlinson, Thompson. NOR.: Varley, Shepherd. BRIT.: Morrell, Stirk, Moore, Asquith. Sp. best Yorks. ek. Holroyd; hen, Richardson.—F. Stirk, Hon. Sec.

BRADFORD W. C.B.A.—Dec. 26. Mr. J. Bailey judged. Principal winners: CHAMP.: Clegg, Bennett, Whitwam, Kirk. NOV.: Ackroyd, Terry, Butterfield, M'Ewen; spl. best yell., Clegg; best buff, Whitwam.—F. P. Terry, Sec.

GREAT HORTON O.S.—Dec. 26. Mr. J. Thornton judged. 75 birds. Principal winners: Hanson, Hartley, Hunter, Ormonroyd, Midgley, E. Self, Collins Bros., F. Self, Lister and Hudson, Peace, Fieldhouse, Oliver. Champ. cup, G. Midgley; runner-up, A. W. Harkey; novice cup, F. Peace; runner-up, A. Hunter.

WIBSEY C.B.S.—Headquarters, Dec. 26. Winners most points for year: el. or tkd. section, 1 Chapman, 2 Sutcliffe, 3 Crowther; Green-mkd., 1 Hanson, 2 Sutcliffe, 3 Crowther; Cinn.-mkd., 1 Chapman, 2 Mann, 3 Farrer. Cup winner, W. Chapman. Principal class winners: Crowther, Hiley, Chapman, Sutcliffe, Wilkinson, Hanson, Farrer.

GT. HORTON GOOD INTENT O.S.—Last show of season, Dirkhill P.M. School, Jan. 2. Mr. J. Hartley judged 53 birds. Principal winners: YORKS.: Warburton, Bartle, Ackroyd, Firth, Holden; NOR.: Kaberry, Bartle. Points winners for year: Cup, A. Firth, 106 points; 2, G. Ackroyd, 85; 3, Bartle, 84; 4, G. Warburton, 80; 5, J. Kaberry, 59; 6, W. T. Wheelwright.—A. Firth, Sec.

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E. Barron, Secretary, 119, Montrose Street, Glasgow, to whom all entries should be addressed.

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There will be a time-singing contest at Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, Jan. 23, when the proprietor (Mr. Sam Fishwick) will give 10s. to be sung for. Entrance fee, 1s. each bird.—A. Leyland, Sec. (Advt.)

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet sing, Jan. 2, 1, Morley; 2, Williams; 3, Caddy. Jan. 3. 1, Williams; 2, Morley; 3, Wainwright. Jan. 9. 1, 2, 3, Morley. Jan. 10. 1, Morley; 2, Wainwright; 3, Scot.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Jan. 9. 18 birds entered. Three minutes' time singing. 1, 3, Beard; 2, Jones. Open sing, Jan. 10, 28 entered. 1, Beard; 2, 3, shared Beard and Jones.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, open contest for quality Linnet singing, Jan. 9. 12 sang. 1, S. Johnson; 2, 3, Ward. Judges, Sissons and Naylor. Jan. 10, 19 sang. 1, Ward; 2, Richardson; 3, Rosendale. Judges, T. Johnson, Naylor, and Hardcastle. Canary contest same date. 16 birds sang. 1, Hardcastle; 2, Condliffe. Judges, Crane, Richardson, and Naylor. Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and C.C. quality singing match, Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane. 28 entered. 1, 3, Chippendale; 2, 4, J. Bamfield. Judges, J. Clark, H. Hayes, and P. Madden.—Fred Turner, Sec.

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SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Fourth annual members' show, Dec. 26, Marlboro' Hotel, Small Heath. A most satisfactory entry was received, and the attendance was very good. Competition for the silver cups of the society and the many splendid specials brought some fine birds out, Yorkshires again being well to the front, and the finest seen for a long time graced the show Benches. Great praise is due to show manager, G. Bayliss, and stewards Messrs. Hickling, Yardley, Harding, Burke, Barron, and Cowley, who had all nicely arranged for Judge Roe, whose awards gave every satisfaction. Cup winners: Champ., Mr. Cowley; nov., Mr. Thomson; Brit. cup, Mr. Raby (outright). Special winners: Messrs. Burke, Harding, Cowley, Luckman, Barron, Hickling and Raby. Specials will be presented at the January meeting when election of officers will take place, and the year's report will be presented.

Winners of first in CHAMP. YORKS.: J. Burke, P. Cowley, W. Harding. NOV.: R. Barron, A. Luckman, P. Rees, A. Thompson. NOR.: G. Yardley. MULES AND HYB.: G. Raby, W. Hickling. BRIT.: G. Raby, G. Yardley, W. Hickling.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

BARNET F. AND F.S.

Annual show, Town Hall, Nov. 28. Owing to the war the Society this year decided, reluctantly, to forgo an open show, but, all things considered, the display was a good one. Mr. Cartwright very efficiently officiated as sec. and was assisted by the committee in fancier-like fashion. Quality, especially in Norwich and Yorks., was A1: cup best in show, Mr. J. B. Kerr, with a spanking buff Yorks. of lovely feather. Other sp. winners: Hills, nat. col., a grand Nor.; Peters (2), best Yorks. and 2nd best hen Can.; Drage, best vhc and best sell.; Nott, best Brit. Mr. G Gardner judged.

NOR. CK. (8): 1, cup, 2, Kerr, former had the pull in stoutness, rare col.; 2nd, very shapely, grand qual., rich in under col.; 3, hc, Bell, rare shape, fails just a trifle in chest and under colour; vhc, c, Drage. HEN (7): 1, sp, 2, Bell, former buff, rare shape and feather; 3, Hills, yell., grand qual., fails a trifle in finish; vhc, hc, Drage. YORKS. (6): 1, vhc, Bell, buff, rather down in cond. at judging, pulled up later, nice; 2, 3, Peters, very smart; hc, Jupp; c, Pendleton. HEN (3): 1, two sps, Peters, very stylish hen, nice feather, well tapered; 2, 3, Bell, yell. and buff, full of qual. NAT. COL. (6): 1, sp, Hills, chubby, good head, rattling feather; 2, 3, Jupp, both Yorks., good upstanding birds; vhc, hc, Chandler. MULES (4): 1, 2, Peters, variegs. buff Goldf.-Can. leading; 3, Nott; vhc, Drage. GOLDF. (4): 1, Chandler, small, but rich tanning, good blaze; 2, Hills; 3, Drage; vhc, sp, Nott. BULLF. (2): 1, Nott; 2, Hills. GREENF. (3): 1, Chandler; 2, Nott; vhc, Hills. LINNET (2): 1, Nott; 2, Drage. CHAFF. (2): 1, Nott; 2, Hills. FOR. (3): 1, 2, Drage; 3, Hayward.

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Club Reports.

EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.

Annual meeting, January 9. Balance sheet read and officers elected, when a change of secretary took place, A. Walton being elected. Please note secretary's address.—A. Walton, 132, Bradford Road, East Ardsley, nr. Wakefield.

RUNCORN B.B.A.

Meeting, Jan. 8. Mr. Jno. Guy chair, before a large attendance. Balance sheet was read out and passed as very satisfactory, leaving a nice sum in hand. Officers elected: Chair., Mr. J. Guy; vice, J. Sutton; treas., C. Boots; sec., E. Rone. Decided to alter the meeting night to the first Thureday in the month. New member made, Mr. Santley. Pair show fixed for Feb. 4; classes: Yorks., Nor., Greens, Crest, Muling Pairs; same for Novice; Mr. Cawley to judge; birds to be staged at 6.45; members please note the time.—E. Rone, Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Meeting, Prince of Wales' Hotel, Jan. 9, Mr. Probert presiding. The following were elected as officers: Mr. Probert, chair; Mr. Cooper, vice-chair; Mr. Pritchard, treas.; Mr. Mortimer, sec.; Mr. Newell, assist. sec.; auditors, Mr. Newell and Mr. Bibbing; committee, Messrs. Russell, Morton, Selby, Terrett, Richards, and Bibbings. Entries were taken for the members show, at King's Arms Assembly Rooms, Blaenavon, Jan. 16. Mr. E. J. Bevan, Tredegar, judge. Decided to invite the members of the Blaenavon Society to compete under the same conditions as our own members. Sec. reported the business settled at the Welsh National show meeting of Dec. 21, and it was decided that Mr. Cooper and Mr. Mortimer were to act as judging stewards at the Welsh National how. Now, members, rally up to the next meeting, Prince of Wales' Hotel, Jan. 20, at 6.30. Only members clear on the books will be allowed to compete at the Welsh National at the reduced entry fee.—H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec.

BORDER FANCY C.C.

Annual general meeting, Scottish National Showroom, Jan. 1, with a good attendance. Mr. George W. Brown, president, in the chair. The balance-sheet was gone over, and showed an income, including balance from 1913, of £53 13s. 8d., and an expenditure of £34 1s. 2½d., leaving a balance in favour of the club of £19 12s. 5½d. On the motion of Mr. Lumsden, seconded by Mr. Gentleman, the secretary was unanimously granted a salary of £5 per year, which is included in expenditure. Sec. thanked the members on behalf of Messrs. Richardson and Jamieson for the handsome way they contributed to the testimonial, and gave a full statement of same, which was heartily approved of. Motion for standard show cage was brought forward, and after some discussion the members decided that we had a standard show cage, and on a vote this was allowed to remain as at present. On the motion to alter clear or ticked to clear or foul, an amendment was carried that it remain as at present. Motion that class number label be the only label allowed on show cage, members could not see how this could work in cases of members competing for any special which required to have a label to quality for same, but members recommend that class number labels should be fixed directly under perch away from the drinker. Motion that any society running variegated classes, cock or hen in one class, do not get patronage, caused a great amount of discussion, and it was agreed by a majority that we ask for better classification in variegated section and also green classes. Motion that five members be appointed at this meeting to meet on the last Saturday in August to grant club patronage and help in any way in the interest of the club, was unanimously carried, and the following were elected: Messrs. Geo. Bennet (Kelso), J. Patterson, sen. (Chirnside), M. Jamieson (Hawick), Jas. Lumsden (Edinburgh), W. Dods (Edinburgh). A few new members were proposed. Election of office-bearers resulted in unanimous re-election. Mr. H. Bennet and Peter McKenzie, Kelso, were appointed auditors. The president was awarded a very hearty vote of thanks for the great interest he had taken in the club during the year. There being no other business the meeting closed. New delegate for Carlisle, Mr. G. Meekley, 8, Maryport Cottages, Carlisle.—Walter B. Smart.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand).

Meeting Jan. 5, Mr. Gibbins presided over a large attendance. Several minor items were dealt with. Decided to guarantee the usual advertisement in CAGE BIRDS. Cups were handed to winners: Challenge Cup, W. Henmry; "Westby" cup, E. C. Brooks; Young Bird cup, E. H. Hulse (5th consecutive year). Recipients suitably replied. In spite of the early closing it was decided to continue the night shows. Birds to be staged by 7.45. Mr. Sarson was elected to judge next Table Show, Charity Show was fixed for Jan. 30. Officers for 1915 were elected.—A. Freestone.

PORTOBELLO C.B.S.

Meeting, Masonic Hall, Tower Street, when the following officials took up their duties for the year: Pres., Mr. T. K. Vass; vice-pres., Mr. A. Matthew; treas., Mr. J. Small; sec., Mr. William Baxter, 20, King's Road, together with a streng committee of well-known fanciers. After discussion it was unanimously agreed to extend the boundary and admit members residing in the following area: Purshill on left side of tramway line to Willowbrae Road, Duddingston, Craigmillar, Cauldcotes, Niddries Mills, Jewel Cottages, Newcraighall, and all Fisherrow on Portobello side of river. Fanciers residing in above area are cordially invited to become members. Next meeting we hope to have a pair show; date will be duly announced, when we will be glad to see intending members.—William Baxter, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

Annual meeting, Headquarters, Plummit Line Hotel, Jan. 9; Mr. Lord, chair, before a good attendance. Balance sheet for the open show held in November was brought forward and considered very satisfactory, seeing the opposition we had brought to bear against us. Balance-sheet for the year's working was then placed before the members, and seeing that we had only gone down slightly on the year's working, it was considered very satisfactory. We regret to state that there are a few outstanding subs, yet due from members for 1914, which, if they had been paid, would have balanced things up. Officials elected for 1915:—Pres., Mr. H. Lord, vice-pres., Mr. D. A. Macpherson, Mr. J. Robertshaw, and Mr. S. Haigh; sub-committee, Messrs. F. Burdekin, R. E. Helliwell, J. Mottram, W. H. Ball, J. A. Dunn, T. Pilling, and P. Child; auditors, H. Lord and M. L. Sharp; steward, N. Scruton, trustees, T. Pilling and J. Mottram; assist. sec., J. Burdekin; sec., H. Clegg. Proposed that we hold our 25th annual show on Nov. 19 and 20. The sub-committee was instructed to draw up a syllabus for the year to place before the members at next meeting, Feb. 6. Any fellow fancier willing to join our society should do so as early as possible, so that he can get his name and address in the syllabus for the year. Annual moker and presentation of prizes will be held Jan 15, at Plummit Line Hotel, commence at 7.30 prompt. All members and friends will have a hearty welcome. Harry Clegg, Sec., 19, Melrose Street, Lee Mount, Halifax.

CINNAMON C.C.

Members kindly note that patronage has been granted to the Welsh National Show, at Cardiff, Feb. 5, 6, 8. This being their first venture I trust all our members will rally round and make it a great success by filling the four classes so kindly allotted to us. Surely the officials are deserving of a good response by venturing under such trying times, and I hope that this appeal will meet with all our members' approval.—W. E. Seed, Sec.

OPEN NORWICH C.C.

The following are the names of winners for the various competitions, season 1914-15:—Open: Champ.: 1, W. Crawshaw, 149 points; 2, J. Thomas, 127; 3, A. Hirst, 97; 4, W. A. Wilson, 7. Amat.: 1, Jas. Wilson, 8; 2, 3, 4, not won. "Percy Illingworth" cup and "Joe Thomas" rose-bowl, Mr. W. Crawshaw; "Edwin Hattersley" cup, Mr. W. A. Wilson; "Ramsden's Special" Champ., Mr. J. Thomas; Amat., Mr. Jas. Wilson. Members who have not paid sub. for 1914-15 please forward same without delay and oblige.—F. Rhodes, Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Jan. 3, Wentworth Cafe; Mr. F. Jones (president) chair. Ballot for officials and committee resulted as follows:—Pres., Mr. F. Jones; vice-pres., Messrs. T. Hemming, W. Bingham; treas., W. Oxley; sec., A. Hobson; assist. sec., E. Sisson; auditors, Messrs. J. W. Varley, H. Hobson; committee, J. Woolhouse, W. T. Furness, G. Drabble, W. H. Champion, L. Fallding, W. H. Webster, C. W. Hobson, T. Tow, A. Bailey, P. Walsh, J. Curley, A. W. Sparks, H. Hobson. Members who have sold their gilt birds from the annual show are requested to hand money to sec. Several very important recommendations were made to the meeting, which no doubt more will be heard of at next meeting. A vote of condolence was passed to our esteemed member, Mr. T. Tow, in his illness, also votes of thanks to our late assist. sec., Mr. J. Woolhouse, past members of committee, stewards at annual show, and all members and friends who have helped to make the season 1914 such a success. Table show was held, the following being the awards.—NOV., YELLOW.: 1, Sisson; 2, Woolhouse; 3, Wragg; 4, vhc, Curley; hc, Sparkes; c, Varley. BUFF: 1, Sparkes; 2, Wragg; 3, Marcroft; 4, Sisson; vhc, Curley; hc, Woolhouse; c, Varley.—J. Woolhouse, Sec.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Annual General Meeting, Jan. 6. Sec. produced the medals he had purchased for the Association. Sec. read a letter from Mr. Vale, regretting his unavoidable absence, and it was resolved that the vice-chair., Mr. H. Yeoman, should preside. Sec. gave a summary of the work done during last year, and announced that the Association would begin this year with a balance of cash in hand of £11 3s. 9½d. The meeting warmly congratulated Mr. Hose upon his being able to put such figures before them, and Mr. Hose, in responding, said that he regarded it not only as a pleasure, but also as an honour to be entrusted with the secretarial duties of such a great and powerful Association, and although he was not getting any younger, and did not enjoy the best of health, the Association could rely that he would at all times do his best to prove himself worthy of the confidence that the Association had reposed in him. Mr. Bloomfield, Streatham, was nominated for membership. Messrs. Vale and Yeoman were re-elected chairman and vice-chair., and Messrs. Cooper and Snook auditors. The following were elected on committee—Messrs. Allen, A. Hollon, J. W. Hathaway, Morris, Phillips, A. G. Snook, W. J. Silverthorn, E. J. Whittome, Easterling, Hy. Yeoman, A. R. Coe, F. Clark, A. Emms, W. J. Francis, E. Hattaway; Madame M. A. Feist-Madewell, Messrs. C. Cooper, C. T. Maxwell, Nicholls, and W. H. Vale. Meeting adjourned until Jan. 19, at 8, at Clock House, Clapham Park Road, when it is to be hoped that more members will make it convenient to attend, as of late our meetings have not been so big as we should have liked them to have been.—A. R. Coe, Press Corres.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting Jan. 8, Mr. Jones presiding. This being the first meeting of the year, the president took the opportunity of wishing the members, as far as possible, a happy New Year. A pairing competition had been arranged, and several of the members brought birds. After Mr. T. Tow (whom we were pleased to see well again) had paired the birds according to his own selection, nearly all the members tried their skill. Mr. L. Woolhouse succeeded in placing all the pairs correctly, while Mr. J. Woolhouse and Mr. G. Gill were the runners-up, several of the cracks only gaining one point. Mr. Tow afterwards gave his views as to his placing of the birds, which were well received. During the competition Mr. Jones and Mr. Hemmings gave a few minutes' chat on their methods of feeding their stock. Mr. Jones mentioned that he spoke for "the" Canary (Yorkshire), but of course some of the members dissented, as the Norwich section was well represented. Mr. Hemmings gave one or two very good ways of providing green food for the early season. Both these gentlemen's remarks were interesting, and formed a feature of the meeting. For next meeting, Feb. 5, it was decided to have a matched pair show, two classes for each section, also a class for Crests. A good sum was promised to augment the prize money, as well as for the best pair and best vhc. This should be an inducement to members to bring their birds, and so keep the enthusiasm of the society running during the year 1915. Messrs. C. D. Austin and A. Simpson were elected members. A vote of thanks to Mr. Tow brought an interesting and enthusiastic meeting to a close.—E. Sisson, Assist. Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 2, Mr. H. J. Mennard chair. Decided to hold our tea, concert and prize distribution on Feb. 6 in the St. Cuthbert's Schoolrooms, Beeston Hill, tickets 1s. 6d. each, tea on the table at 5.30 p.m. Tickets may be obtained from the sec. or any member of the committee. The following officers were elected:—President, W. Hall, Esq.; vice-presidents, Messrs. E. Hattersley and Wm. Greenwood; committee, Mr. H. J. Mennard, chair, Mr. J. Chambers, vice-chair, Messrs. E. Hattersley, T. Baldwinson, W. A. Wilson, H. Chew, W. Hornby, J. Owen, C. E. Hall, J. Livingstone, E. Reed, W. Waind, H. Simms, hon. treas., Mr. E. Middleton; assist. hon. sec., Mr. A. G. Rhodes; hon. sec., E. Norton. Mr. J. Chambers kindly offered to assist sec. during the absence of Mr. Rhodes who is serving with the 5th West Yorks, stationed at York. It was decided that members serving with the colours be kept clear on the club's books until their return. Passed that novice rule be altered, which now reads: A novice is one who has not previously won his novice medal, three first prizes in novice classes, one first prize in champion classes at members' show, or one first prize at any open show. A member commencing the season as a novice may show as a novice until the end of the season. Passed that sec. accepts no entries for members' shows after the time stated in schedule, and that sec. posts a list of exhibitors and number of entries on to the chairman first post after closing of entries. This brought a fairly well attended meeting to a close.—Ernest Norton, Hon. Sec.

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Twitterings.

Mr. H. Clegg, hon. sec., writes that the 26th annual open show of the Halifax O.S. is fixed for Nov. 19-20 next.

The Plymouth W.C.O.S. show will be held on Oct. 12 and 13 next. The judges appointed are Messrs. C. A. House and J. Robson.

Will members of the Norwich Plainhead Club who have not yet paid their subscription for last year kindly forward same on, writes Mr. F. Cunliffe, the sec.

We hear that all prize-money has been paid for Great Horton and Ardwick and Manchester. Any exhibitor who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secs.

Kindly inform the many inquirers re Bathgate show date, writes Mr. Alex. Nicol, sec., that the show is to be held on Feb. 27. The proceeds will go in aid of the Belgian and Red Cross Funds.

The writer of last week's article, "The Selection of Norwich and Yorkshire breeding pairs," Sergeant A. Thomas, has removed from Frimley to Langley Common Farm, Barkham, Wokingham.

Mr. W. Harrison, the sec. of Wolverhampton show, writes that if intending exhibitors will notify him what train they send their birds by he will meet train and see that the birds are immediately taken to show room.

Mr. F. Hayward, hon. sec. Manchester and N.C.O.S., writes that the annual members' show of the society will be held on Feb. 7 at the Northern Homing Club, 32, Victoria Street, City, and the nest feather show on July 3.

Will members please note, writes Mr. F. W. Capell, sec. Croydon F.A., that nomination of officers for 1915 should be forwarded to me at once (not later than 20th inst.) to enable list of nominations to be sent out to each member with notice convening meeting, as per Rule 4.

A special meeting of the Swansea C.B.A. will be held on Jan. 21 at 7.30, at Market Coffee Tavern. Cage-bird fanciers around the district are heartily invited to attend, writes Mr. A. Hitchings, sec. pro tem., to try and reform the old society and bring it back to its former pre-eminence.

The annual general meeting of the Scottish Roller C.C. will be held Jan. 16 in Neilson's Temperance Hotel, Ingram Street, Glasgow, at 6 p.m., writes the sec., Mr. J. Macconald (169, Glasgow Street, Adrossan). All Scottish Roller fanciers desirous of becoming members are cordially invited.

A slight mistake occurs in your report of Scottish National show, writes Mr. J. H. Buchan. 3rd prize Belgian, 1914 bred, was not "claimed catalogue price," as stated, it being the bird I am advertising now. Mr. D. Hunter writes also that he won 6th in Crest 20s. sell, not Mason as printed.

In the report of Wishaw show, 1st Norwich hen should be Haston, not Houston, as printed, and owing to a dropped line after the report of the Hybrid class, the heading of the Foreign Goldfinch and Bullfinch class was omitted. 1st in this class was J. Campbell, 2nd W. P. Campbell, and the rest as printed.

I have sent out over 600 schedules to known fanciers, writes Mr. Geo. Reed, sec. Brandon Colliery C.B.S. (35, Newcastle Street). Anyone overlooked can have one by applying. We trust fanciers will rally up and give us a good entry; we are paying prize-money on day of show to fanciers present.

The annual members' show of the Wimbledon C.B.S. will be held at the Queen's Hall, Queen's Road, on Jan. 19. 46 classes are provided, and the list of specials enumerates no less than 49 extra prizes, including three silver challenge cups and a trophy for most points during the three members' shows of the season.

The attention of Norwich and Yorkshire breeders is directed to the extensive classification given at the show to be held in Glasgow on Jan. 22 and 23, the schedule for which is published in our issue this week. Entries may be made from this schedule and forwarded to the sec. There is an extensive "specials" list for novices and other competitors. A hearty response is solicited to ensure the venture of success.

We hear that the show due at Driffield on Jan. 8 and 9 unfortunately had to be cancelled, owing to lack of support.

Mr. J. Broxup, the well-known Burnley dealer, writes that he has removed from 24, Pendle St., Burnley, to 24, Hulme St.

Haltwhistle and Dist. C.B.S. intends holding its annual open show on Feb. 3, judges Messrs. W. C. Duncan and A. Holden, writes Mr. Wm. Tallantyre, the sec.

Will all members of the Great Horton Good Intent O.S. who have not already paid their subscriptions please do so at once, so that balance-sheet can be prepared for the general meeting, Feb. 6, writes Mr. A. Firth, the sec.

I have resigned the secretaryship of the Pudsey, Stanningley and Dist. C.B.S., writes Mr. H. Raistrick. Mr. R. Kell has been appointed the position, and all correspondence should be addressed to him at his address, Vickersdale View, Stanningley.

I desire to offer an apology to those customers whose kind orders have been delayed through my recent serious illness, writes Mr. W. Pimm, Icknield Port Rd., Birmingham, and to thank kind inquirers for their good wishes. I am now "in the pink again," and can give my usual prompt attention to all orders.

Winning Border Changes Hands.

I have just sold my buff cinnamon Border Fancy hen, 1st prize Scottish National show, to that well-known breeder and exhibitor, Mr. Wm. Haddow, of this town, writes Mr. Dan Hamilton (of Hamilton). I may say that I had several offers for her at the above show. I wish her new owner success with her.

Mr. John Tyson Ill.

We regret to hear that Mr. John Tyson, that very well-known and respected fancier, and manager of the late Horticultural Hall show, has been laid up by severe illness for over a fortnight, and is still quite unable to attend to any business, which, however, he hopes to tackle once again in a very short time. Mr. Tyson's hosts of friends in the Fancy will join us in wishing him complete and speedy recovery.

A Thought for Fanciers at the Front.

It will be remembered that some time ago that enthusiastic bird-lover, the Hon. Mrs. Bourke, very kindly offered to look after the birds of anyone called to the Colours, during their absence at the Front. We are glad to know that this lady's kindly thought met with appreciaion; 53 birds belonging to soldiers and other members of our gallant forces are being carefully tended, pending the return of their owners.

Aberdeen Show Report.

When referring to the above in our last issue, we stated that no catalogue had reached us, although applied for. The secretary, Mr. W. Allison, writes that this is not so, as no request for one was received by him. We are glad to have and publish Mr. Allison's disclaimer. Our request (sent a day or so prior to his society's show) evidently went astray in the post. It was posted along with applications for the catalogues of other shows held round about the same date, all of which have duly come to hand.

The Aviculural Society.

This society is established for the study of British and Foreign birds in freedom and captivity. Any who are interested in birds (Canaries not included) are invited to send in their names to be proposed as candidates for election. The subscription is 10s. per annum, and the entrance fee 10s. 6d. "The Avicultural Magazine" is sent free to members monthly. This contains beautifully coloured plates of many species of British and foreign birds, as well as black and white illustrations and reproductions of photographs. Articles and notes are published which are written by experienced and well-known aviculturists and ornithologists. Those who wish to join the society are asked to communicate with the Editor of the magazine, H. D. Astley, Esq., Brinsop Court, Hereford.

Good Business.

The accounts of the City and Suburban A.C.B. are in a very flourishing and satisfactory condition, evidenced by the audited balance-sheets sent us by the painstaking hon. sec., Mr. V. Wynn, and the members are to be congratulated on the past season's work. Mr. Wynne remarks: "Considering the circumstances we have lately been living under, the Association has been extremely fortunate in having only two fewer members paid up than last year. Further, after purchasing a No. 8 Remington typewriter, our cash in hand is £3 3s. more than last year. The members at the meeting last night unanimously voted for a half page advertisement in the forthcoming CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL." [We heartily thank the members; and venture to hope that other societies will help along our "Annual" in a similar manner.—EDITOR.]

Well-known Dealer Joins the Colours.

Mr. Bernard Hollins, of Harrogate (The Pets Supply Co.) has enlisted, and is at present attached to the Army Pay Corps.

ZOO DRAMA OF THE "GERMAN" EAGLE.

Lammergeier Whose Prussian "Frightfulness" was Not a Success.

When the war broke out the Lammergeier at the Zoological Gardens was in a great state of excitement. She proudly ruffled her feathers, spread out her large, cruel-looking claws and made jeering noises at the other birds.

For, under the queer nom-de-plume of Lammergeier, she was really a German Eagle, and "bearded" at that. Moreover, the large letters on the plate outside her cage stated that Germany was her birthplace.

It was nothing to her what the other birds said or what the visitors said—her likeness was imprinted on the Imperial flag of the Fatherland; and what other inhabitant of the Gardens could boast of that?

To-day the poor Lammergeier is dead. The taunts and gibes of her fellow Eagles and Vultures killed her—she simply pined away.

Eerie in the Eyrie.

For a week or so she tried to terrify her neighbours with a sort of "war frightfulness," but—it did not go down. After that came the decline.

Two British Golden Eagles—one from Rossshire and the other from Sutherland—were the first to resent the arrogant attitude of the Lammergeier.

"What is a Lammergeier?" said one, peering superciliously into the enemy's cage.

"I always thought it was a piece of cheese," returned the other.

Other Eagles and Vultures soon joined in the fray. The majority of them hailed from British dominions overseas, and they were loyal to Great Britain from the tips of their beaks to their very tail feathers.

Bird with "The Blues."

"Miserable little Sparrow!" cried the handsome Tawny Eagle from South Africa. "I only wish I could get through the bars—I would soon make short work of you!"

To all this criticism the Lammergeier tried to be indifferent for some days. She flapped up and down her cage looking terribly fierce.

"Mother, do come here—here is a bird from Germany," boys and girls would cry. "Why, it must be a German Eagle. Oh, you horrid, conceited old thing! I hope they do not give you any more meat and that they let you die."

"So that is a German Eagle," elderly men would say. "What a miserable looking bird. It looks like an overgrown chicken!"

To make things worse the feathers would come out of the Lammergeier's tail, giving her a most undignified scarecrow appearance. That was the finishing touch to her pride—she gradually succumbed on her perch.

All the big birds of prey are still talking about the Lammergeier. They now have suspicions about a South American Condor, who is alleged to have said that "it was a shame!" and that the German Eagle "was as good as anybody."—"Daily Mirror."

An announcement which should have the careful attention of all bird-keepers, bird-dealers, and traders generally appears on page 11.

GOOD AND BAD IN EXHIBITION GOLDFINCHES.

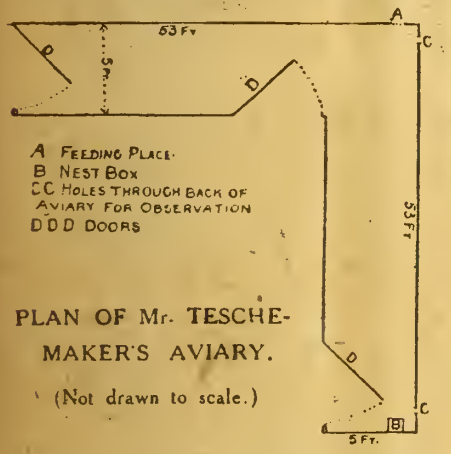
AN EXPLANATORY ARTICLE APPEARS IN THIS ISSUE.

Breeding the Spotted Flycatcher in a Devonshire Aviary.

By W. E. TESCHEMAKER, B.A.

HOW few undertakings there are—either in aviculture or in the battle of life—which prove on closer acquaintance to be easier than we had anticipated! Youth is a land of dreams—of long, long dreams; but how few of those dreams are ever realised! Nevertheless, the dreamer may be considered a fortunate person; he escapes many of the dismal realities of life, and now and again his dreams are proved in the most startling manner to be practical possibilities. Witness the aeroplane and submarine.

Let it be granted then that the progressive aviculturist must have dreams, or, at all events, ideas. Many of these ideas will be destined to fail, but some will prove a brilliant success. For aviculture is a kind of adventure; it is for the most part an unexplored land, and no one can predict what those who have the courage to explore may



PLAN OF Mr. TESCHEMAKER'S AVIARY.

(Not drawn to scale.)

find round the corner. I came across rather an interesting instance of this the other day.

A well-known aviculturist, not unconnected with the Zoo, remarked in "The Field" that the breeding of the Australian Blue Wren was one of the most remarkable achievements which had come under his notice. It seemed a safe remark to make, and few indeed would not have agreed with it. Nevertheless, close upon the heels of this pronouncement appeared an interesting article in a contemporary (by G. A. Heumann), describing the domestication of some species of native insectivorous birds in a New South Wales aviary, in which the writer said (speaking of the Blue Wren): "Once they are used to the new surroundings and food they live well and breed easily; they will then feed their young on almost anything soft. They seldom get a mealworm from us, and yet the young thrive quite well." One certainly would not have guessed that such a fairy-like little sprite would have reared its young on "cake" and "raw minced beef," but, as I said above, aviculture is mostly an unexplored land.

A Long-Cherished Dream.

The breeding of the Spotted Flycatcher has been one of my own avicultural dreams for a number of years past, but I never counted upon seeing it realised. I think this particular dream had its origin in an account I once read of the "meating off" of a Spotted Flycatcher, the process including the daily capture of innumerable "blue-bottles" from window panes and much hand-feeding. The experiment was only continued for a short time on account of the great labour involved, but the experimentalist evidently thought that he had not done badly to keep the bird in good health even for that short time. You may therefore imagine my astonishment when the first Flycatcher that I personally experimented with not only survived the "meating off" process, but lived through one of our long, dark winters in an outdoor (but heated) aviary, and was released in moderately good condition in the following spring.

What made the experiment more noteworthy was that the bird was sent me directly after capture in a very small and very dark box with nothing whatever to eat but some crushed hemp-seed. It was, needless to say, in a state of complete collapse, and evidently on the very verge of that dark river which none of us may recross, but after a "wee drap" of Scotch whisky (the very finest specific for this purpose known to the writer) and some patient hand feeding with mealworms, it made a remarkable recovery. It never, however, looked happy, though feeding well, and I may here remark that unless an insectivorous bird has been skilfully handled during the first few days of its captivity, it never will look happy, and never will be of any permanent use to its owner. There are some mistakes which Nature never forgives.

Pied Flycatchers in Captivity.

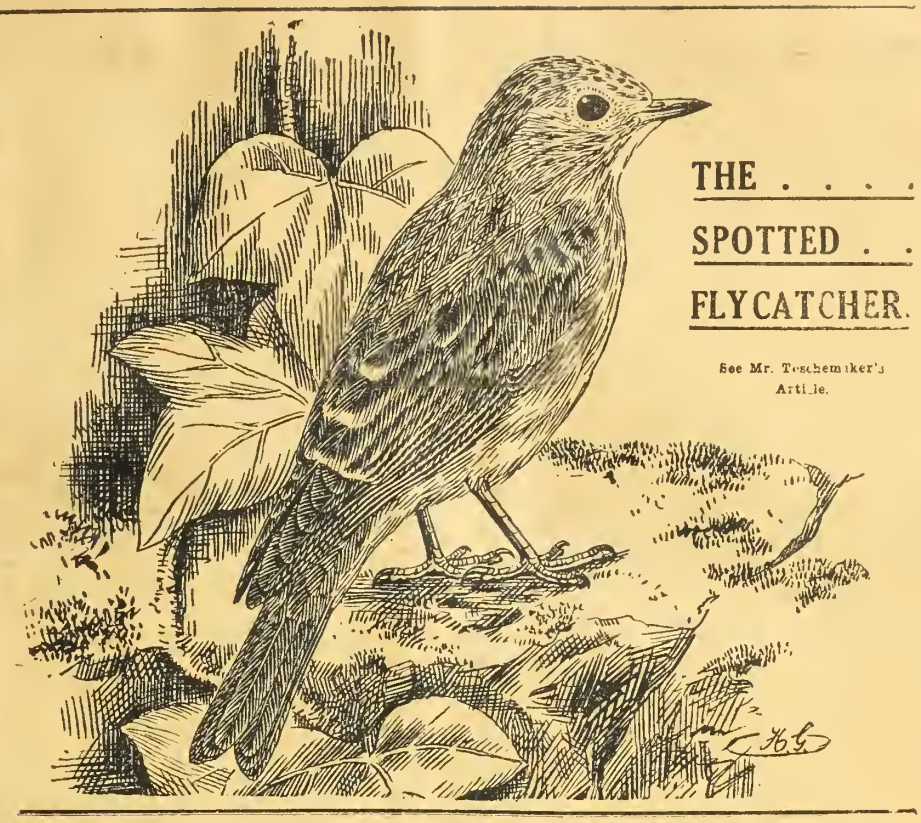
The above experiment therefore can only be called a qualified success; and the next, though it promised well, had an unfortunate termination. One fine September a number of Pied Flycatchers crossed the North Sea and landed on the sand-dunes near Great Yarmouth, where they were taken with ordinary spring net-traps, baited with a mealworm. Mr. W. Lowne sent me three, and two reached me from another source. They had all been thoroughly well handled, and were as lively as lively could be. Charming little birds they were, with dark brown backs and white breasts, much more compact than their spotted cousins and twice as active.

Instead of flirting the tail, which, as I pointed out in a former article (on the White Wagtail), is an almost invariable habit of those insectivorous species which prey on swiftly-moving insects, and which serves the purpose of keeping the muscles in tension, ready for instantaneous movement, these Flycatchers used to flirt their wings. It was delightful to watch them in the winter aviary. In cold weather they used to spend a good deal of their time in the heated shelter which was light and airy with glazed sides; but they also had the free use of an outdoor flight 45ft. long, and this was where you were sure to find them on a sunny morning. Absolutely tame, they would perch within a few inches of the observer, the long, pointed wings intermittently lifted with a rapid jerk above the back and fully extended.

Dead Shots.

Suddenly the keen bright eyes are riveted on a distant gnat, invisible to the observer. Up go the wings with a flip; another flip; then silent, gliding, but swift as a flash of light, the little feathered arrow is launched into the air. You can hear the beak close with a snap; the arrow turns and comes back to its starting point; the wise little head is cocked on one side and turned triumphantly towards the observer, as though to say: "Got him, my boy; and first shot."

In order to provide sufficient exercise, all mealworms were thrown into the air, and visitors were often challenged to try to beat the Flycatchers by throwing a "mealy" in any direction they liked and at any speed.



THE . . . . SPOTTED . . FLYCATCHER.

See Mr. Teschemaker's Article.

But the 'Catchers always won. Some visitors, who were fortunate enough to see the five 'Catchers start simultaneously from different points of the compass and cannon into one another "at the death," said that it was almost as brisk a thing to watch as a football scrum.

We got through the winter famously, but, as it proved, it was this very diversion which led up to the ultimate failure of the experiment. The spirit of rivalry became keener and keener; also, when one 'Catcher cannoned into another, the latter did not forget it. Gradually they began to fight, mildly at first, then furiously; then the stronger birds began to drive the weaker ones out of the heated shelter at roosting time, so that, after one frosty night, we had to hold two inquests. Finally only one was left; he was very fit, but quite useless to us without a mate, so, one warm spring day, we opened the aviary door and threw a mealworm swiftly through the open door. The 'Catcher flew swiftly after it to take his place once more in the wide world.

The Kind of Aviary Required.

In aviculture one can only expect to acquire wisdom slowly, and by the somewhat tedious process of selection and rejection of methods, so that I did not regard the time spent in the above experiments as wasted. I had ascertained that it is not difficult to "meat off" either of our Flycatchers, but that it is inadvisable to keep either of them in captivity during the winter; also that the Spotted Flycatcher is a peaceable species, but the Pied a fighter.

A Flycatcher's Paradise.

However, in 1912 I obtained three Spotteds in May and placed them in the corridor of the summer aviary, the size and shape of which are shown in the accompanying plan. This was designed partly as a means of observing birds closely when nesting, and also as a suitable place for breeding those species which love a wall. The corridor is 5ft. wide and 12ft. high, and forms the space between the aviary proper and the wooden palisading, 7ft. high, which screens the aviary from wind. Against this wooden palisading are trained peach and plum and cherry trees, and there are a few standard pear and apple trees in the centre of the space. Golden-eyed Babblers (an Indian species) nested here, making a wonderful felted nest of pieces of string and worsted teased out, and some other species. For Flycatchers it was a paradise, for, in the first place, all the flies in my garden seem to select the palisading for the purpose of sunning themselves, and in the second place, you must have noticed how all 'Catchers love a wall.

One cannot hope to breed a shy species unless one places it in surroundings which will make it feel quite at home; therefore one has to carefully study the small things which make all the difference. Notice then that, in the first place, we have here a sunny wall covered with flies. Secondly, that the corridor is not straight, but bent at a right angle in the middle; nothing frightens birds so much as to find themselves cooped up in a narrow, straight place, because when anyone approaches them they have to pass over the latter's head. Thirdly, notice how the doors are placed, so that in whichever wing of the corridor the birds may happen to be, one can always enter it without disturbing them by selecting a door in the other wing.

A Breeding Pair Obtained at Last.

I did not succeed in inducing the 'Catchers to breed that summer, but they did so well and looked so bonnie when I turned them out after the moult, that I decided to have another try. Last spring, therefore, I wrote to various trappers and experts, but none seemed able to help me, so that I had at last to fall back upon birds imported from Germany. I may here remark, without comment, that when, last spring, one of a pair of Wrens, which had commenced to nest, escaped, I entirely failed to obtain a substitute in this country, and one well known expert expressed the opinion that an adult Wren could not be "meated off" in summer; but, when I wrote to Berlin, I obtained without the least difficulty, two freshly caught birds, both of which prospered exceedingly, and from one of which a young Wren was bred and fully reared.

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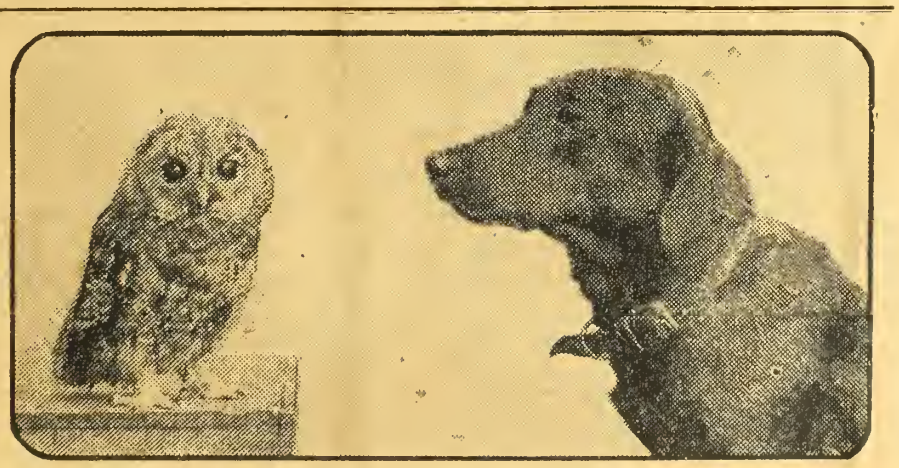


AN OWL'S FRIENDSHIP WITH A DOG.

SIR,—A few days ago I happened to come across a birdy friend, a staunch supporter of the British Softbills, large and small, and he stated he had a surprise for me. I received an invitation to see his new venture in the bird world. On arriving at my destination I was shown a nice outside aviary made specially for its occupant, which was an Owl, in beautiful condition.

During the summer months a nest of Owlets was found in a wood a few miles from here, and my friend decided to have one, so when they were ready he took one and reared him, and he is a real family pet. He has been named "Jimson," which you only need to whisper, and he will look at you and fairly pierce you with his large eyes.

The Owl is allowed its liberty, and loves to roam about. All at once you may miss him and think he has flown away. You can shout "Jimson," but he will take no notice. Look round, however, and behold you will find him with his boon companion, a smooth Airedale dog, in the kennel, as snug as two Doves, in perfect slumber! He will ride on the dog's back and walk about with him with an ease and freedom which are astonishing.

His diet is rather peculiar. My friend has a provision stores, so it is little trouble to feed him. You can give him a slice of your best ham or bacon, but he will not waste his time to even look at it. He will insist on his pound of flesh (with plenty of blood in it). His smell is very keen, and should you be cutting up his dinner he will let out a screech as would frighten any timid young lady. His diet consists of raw flesh only, foods such as liver and a rabbit's head or a live mouse are thoroughly enjoyed.

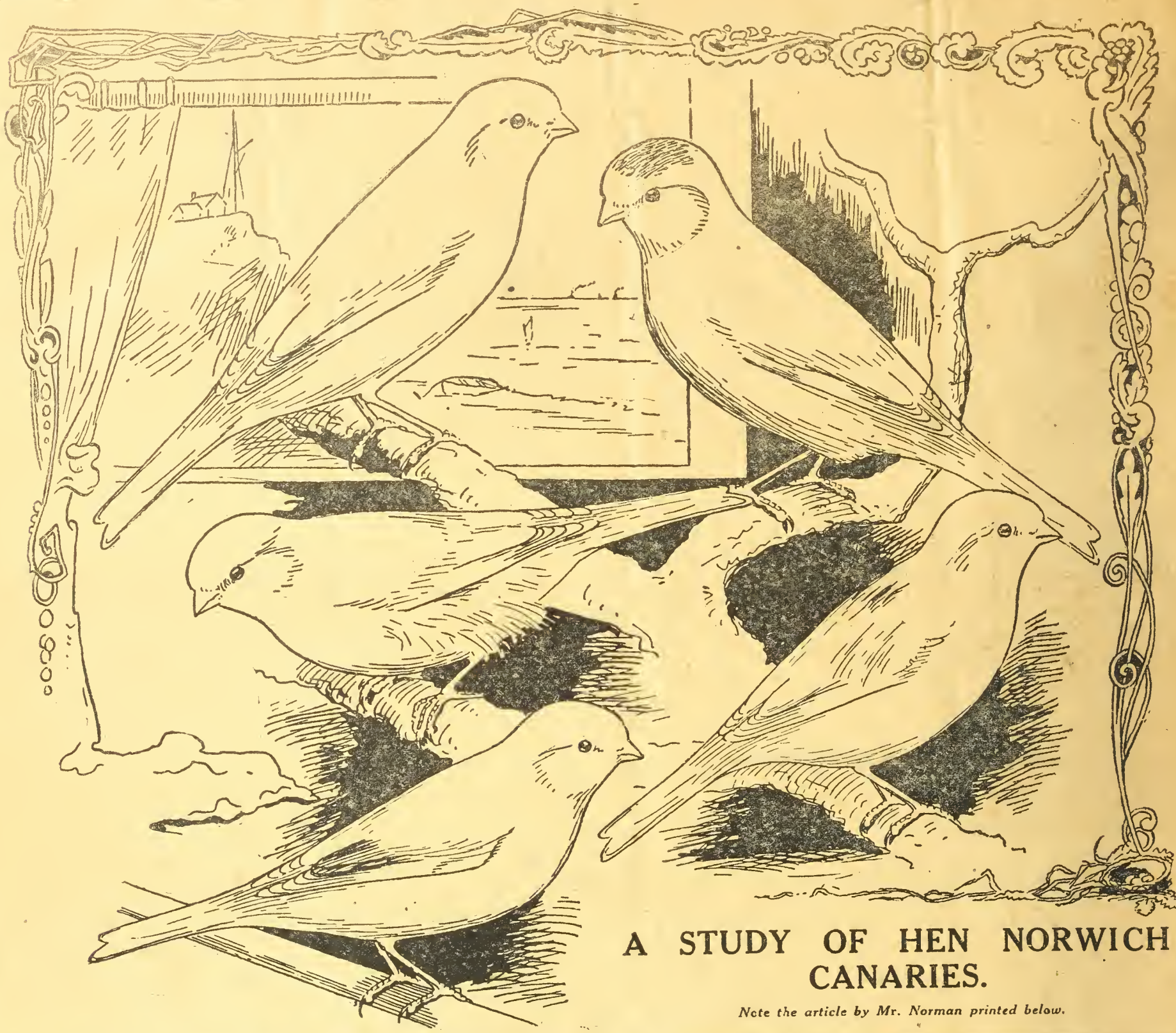
He is a keen bather. You can put the bath in the aviary at night for the following day, but he does not believe in waiting. He starts bathing at a minute's notice in candle-light! This owl is a charming pet. Whether he will stop when the spring comes round, however, and he wants a mate, I cannot say. I am afraid some fine spring morning he may leave to nest in yonder wood. The photo will speak for his condition.

Accrington. H. WALSH.

TO A THRUSH.

"Sweet, sweet, sweet," out of the rain
You sing of spring,
And we, through loss and grief and pain,
We know that peace will come again
To everything.

E. N., in "Country Life."



A STUDY OF HEN NORWICH CANARIES.

Note the article by Mr. Norman printed below.

THE LADY IN THE CASE.

Our well-known artist lays stress on the value of good hens in the breeding room.

By **H. NORMAN** (Carshalton).

IN all live-stock breeding there has from time to time been considerable discussion respecting the merits of the sire or dam as influencing the show points of the progeny. Most people will admit that young ones have some resemblance in outward appearance to both their parents. The likeness to one of them may be exceedingly small; still, it is there, and that fact has to be remembered when mating time arrives.

In animal breeding the grandsire appears to find his good points crop up in his grand-children, and breeders of stock being fully aware of this fact are particularly careful in their matings, they do not forget him, and expect a certain proportion of his good qualities to be transmitted to the young.

In all animal breeding it appears to be the sire that is thought much of. It is his name that is quoted when speaking of the young; it is his pedigree that is handed down with succeeding generations. We bird breeders scarcely give him such an exalted position. We look upon our hens as of equal value from a breeding point of view. The opinion generally is that the hens influence the type of the young, and as type is of such vital importance to the would-be successful exhibitor, the producers of it are naturally taken every care of.

It therefore follows that in our breeding operations we should have the finest hens we can procure. We are not all, however, gifted with the necessary means to start with the very best, and must do the best we can with what we already have, and strive gradually to improve them until our ideal is reached. If a young fancier can see some advance in the type of his hens in each succeeding year he is without doubt upon the high-road to success.

The hen in the sketch showing roughness of feather at the thigh is one pretty frequently met with. She is not bad in type and if it were not for objectionable roughness would look considerably better. We have no hesitation in using her, but must not forget that even that little peculiarity can be transmitted to the young, and therefore if it is our desire to stamp it out of our stock, any youngsters retaining it should be disposed of. There are many worse faults, though, and we must be careful not to encourage another tiresome one when trying to get rid of this.

It is here that a well-kept stock-book evidences its value, although we may at times feel disinclined to continue to keep it entered up. If just before we mate up we look through it carefully, we shall find many items that will not only interest us, but have a beneficial influence upon our results.

Her Saving Point.

Possibly many fanciers would not breed with the cap-marked hen in the sketch; but if one has few others it is simply "Hobson's choice." She possesses a decent head and perhaps for that reason alone we feel that we must use her. Good heads may not be the strong points of our strain, and although many fanciers contend that the cock bird is responsible for this part of the young birds, I am sure the hen's part is not negligible.

One may not notice this if he has been breeding from decent-headed birds for several generations, but let him try the experiment of introducing a weak-headed hen into his strain and I am sure he will soon appreciate my point. It stands to reason that all fanciers cannot breed with good-headed birds: there would not be enough to go round; but where one is obliged to make use of stock not quite up to the mark in this respect care should be taken in after selections to retain only those birds which show an improvement.

Selection is the whole secret of successful breeding. What to retain and what to get rid of are very vital questions, and questions that only the thoughtful painstaking breeder can answer for himself. He knows his own stock best, their parents and grandparents, for all must be taken into consideration; and the further he can go back with his pedigree the better. If it is possible for a certain marking to crop up occasionally in the stock it should be a proof that other points are also being transmitted.

In building up our strain the merits of the hens should be closely valued. We should try if we possibly can to retain our best, selecting typical good quality birds year after year. And if we are fortunate enough to breed good hens from our best hens these should be retained, so that in time we shall get a strain we can rely on to produce good ones in the majority of their young.

(To be Continued.)

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GOOD AND BAD IN EXHIBITION GOLDFINCHES.

By C. PRIOR, (Ropley).

A leading judge, who has himself won numerous prizes with this species, helps all who exhibit his favourite to "sift the wheat from the chaff." An article written round Mr. Norman's coloured plate accompanying this issue.

ONCE again to the scribe's prosy pen falls the lot of supplementing as best it may the poetry of the artist's brush. For the coloured plate of Goldfinches presented with this issue of CAGE BIRDS—latest claimant to place in the bird lover's picture gallery—has an educational value equalled only by its artistic charm; and mine is the honour of indicating and discussing the strong and weak points of the various specimens depicted as they appear to me from the exhibitor's standpoint.

Inset are two young Goldfinches (which, as everyone knows, the fancier calls Greypates) apparently not long out of the nest. A glance suffices to discover their sex; they are cock and hen, brother and sister, of course. Sister sits modestly in the background, brother boldly offers himself for inspection.

WHITE BLACKBIRD SITTING ON NEST.
One of the three photographs referred to in the inscription to the Robin picture on page 17.

A smart little chap he is, and, so far as his quality may be estimated, a promising bird. But the blaze—all-important detail—is, of course, not yet there, and it is impossible to forecast what it will be like when it comes. He may be an ombryo champion, or he may turn out an utter waster, or he may occupy any intermediate position between the two extremes. Meanwhile his future, like Topsy's nativity, is "wrapt in mystery."

The plate proper introduces us to half a dozen fully adult Goldfinches, who have long since passed the interesting mystery period. The central figure of the six is a thoroughly representative example of the typical exhibition British Goldfinch. Take, first, his blaze; that is what the judge will do, no matter what percentage of points the standard allots to it.

Although presented to us sideways, we see at once that there is plenty of it. A front view would reveal width as well as depth, imparting to the whole face the desirable, though not entirely essential, property which we call square cut. The colour of this blaze is also excellent. It is crimson; rich, yet pure and bright; level, because unmixed with black, grey, or yellow splashes. The black line running from eye to base of beak is dense, solid, and narrow; if it were widened ever so little the blaze would be encroached upon, and a fault be recorded.

A Cardinal Virtue.

Examine, next, his body colour. The back is a solid nut brown, and this colour is continued also on to the side and down the flank. A little modified in density, it traverses the upper and lower portions of the breast, leaving a small patch of greyish white about at the centre of the chest. This brown colouring, which we refer to as tanning, is pure as well as rich; and indeed purity of colour throughout is one of the cardinal virtues of the show bird.

Now observe the easy, pleasing angle at which he stands. He has been snapshotted, so to speak, standing to attention. See how neatly he has brought his wings together, and how conspicuous and regular are their "buttons." This term explains itself, and the picture fixes the point more clearly than any words can hope to do. Do not, however, always expect him to land on his perch precisely thus. If he has no habitually faulty wing carriage, if he shows to his best advantage at certain critical moments, he may be allowed to drop his wings occasionally, or to cross them at the tips now and again.

Note also such minor points as these. His well displayed wing flights are of a tint midway between lemon and orange, his shoulder-butts are dense as his moustache, the black cap behind his blaze is clean cut and unbroken by misplaced speckling, and he has more size than any other of the lot. Then you have exhausted the chances of fault finding.

A Bird for the "Old-Timers."

To the left of our first subject is a Goldie of considerable merit, whose faults are comparative rather than positive. A red-hot jonque, he is the sort of bird to delight the hearts of many of our old timers, as representing the only class of Goldfinch which they could accept as really and truly British. Like most jonques of all species he is decidedly on the small side, even in length; and he emphasizes his already palpable lack of substance by striking the swaggering attitude of a Yorkshide Canary.

For the rest, he is every whit the equal of his predecessor. His blaze is equally pure and rich, and although actually less in extent is not proportionately so. His wings are perfection; his quality of feather tremendous. He is very heavily tanned, but this is hardly a fault. On the contrary, if rarity counts for anything it is an asset; because for every single Goldfinch that is overtanned, there will be a score not tanned enough. Let him but undertake an early and rapid moult, as he probably will, and he may be depended upon to beat far more than will beat him, at least during the first half of the show season. This because the superfine texture of his feather and the naturally rich store of colour in his system, starts him off in October with a polish of body and crimson of face that many better Finches cannot develop until December. A very useful bird.

Quite Out of It.

Alongside of the inset in the top, right-hand corner, the artist places a specimen of altogether different type. Although smallish he is nicely modelled on chubby lines, which is one clear point in his favour. His blaze, too, is fairly wide and square, as well as clear and bright in colour, albeit lacking the richness of the two central figures. But that black line running, like an ugly scar, from the base of his beak down to the corner of his blaze is a most unwelcome feature; he is "guttered" in a very pronounced fashion.

In addition to this, he is seriously short of chest tanning; could, in fact, take all that our little jonque friend has to spare, and still want more. His back, too, is failing in the proper warmth and solidity of nutty brown. Altogether his failings are such as must considerably discount his chances excepting in quite easy competition.

Lower down our attention is directed to the "slanging" match proceeding between a brace of angry scolds. The quarrel is not our affair, however, and the exchange of epithet is without interest for us. Our sole concern is to discover what are the disputants' qualifications for the show bench.

The one on the right does not bring many good points into the picture. First and foremost, his blaze is altogether too small and round. Then, his cheeks are not only of an undesirable chalky whiteness—compare them with those of the swaggering little jonque—but they are also too extensive; he has too much cheek, and no doubt the other fellow is telling him so.

A similar fault is apparent in the too conspicuous white band which divides the black cap of the head from the chestnut of the back. The less obvious this is the better, and the ideal is reached when it vanishes altogether, which is not often. There is also a certain comparative cloudiness of back colour. All these points, be it observed, are more or less secondary ones. No degree of excellence in them could ever carry him far into the prize list in company with a blaze of such insignificant dimensions.

A Regular Mixture.

The bellicose posture of the left-hand belligerent at once exposes the lack of correctness in wing-tippings—otherwise buttons—which a more normal deportment might, for a time, conceal. His "buttons" are small, indistinct, and irregular. The similar whitish tippings which should be just showing on the tail feathers are absent; a small matter in itself, which is quite in keeping with the more serious deficiencies it accompanies, but just worthy of note in passing. Taken all round, he is an epitome of the good, the bad, and the indifferent. He has plenty of substance, and, when on his best behaviour, should be a bird of good type. There is nothing to cavil at in his wing bars, and his tannings are all right; but the crescent at the nape of the neck is again too prominent.

The blaze, after all, is the deciding factor. Super-excellence in this direction would lift him clean out of the rut in spite of his minor failings. But although not bad, and certainly something better than indifferent, the blaze is by no means excellent. True, it is good and broad on top, passing the eye nicely and crossing the head in a perfectly straight line. On the other hand, the underblaze is not carried down far enough towards the breast; and although the outstretched neck makes this fault to appear more than it may actually be, the too much rounded-off corners will not mitigate it when he resumes a more normal pose. There seems to be, moreover, a decided tendency to "brassiness" in the blaze colouring which adds heavily to his other handicaps.

Must be a Hen.

Last under inspection, in the bottom right hand corner, is a specimen which, by all the rules that guide us in differentiating between the sexes, must be pronounced a hen. To exhibition quality of the male order it has no pretensions whatever. The pale, diminutive blaze, dull grey-brown body colour, short round head, thin little beak, small size, general lack of brilliance, the ragged edged, grey flecked cap; all these things point unmistakably in the same direction. In a class for hens we might imagine—but stop: our license doesn't extend to the indulgence of vain imaginings, so we leave this little pet in the corner where we found it.

The grey flecking on the head of this specimen prompts the observation that many good exhibition Goldfinches are not entirely free from a modification of this small defect. Although it is desirable to have the black portions of the head and neck as solid and even as possible, the presence of a foul feather or two should be regarded as of no importance, excepting only in deciding the issue of an exceptionally close race.

Having now completed his endeavour to interpret the skilfully rendered lessons of the artist, the scribe would like, before laying down his pen, to be allowed the privilege of making brief allusion to matters which, at this moment, are uppermost in the mind of all men. He would, in all honesty and without so much as the semblance of bitterness address a few words to the opponents of bird-keeping. They are these.

A Point for Consideration.

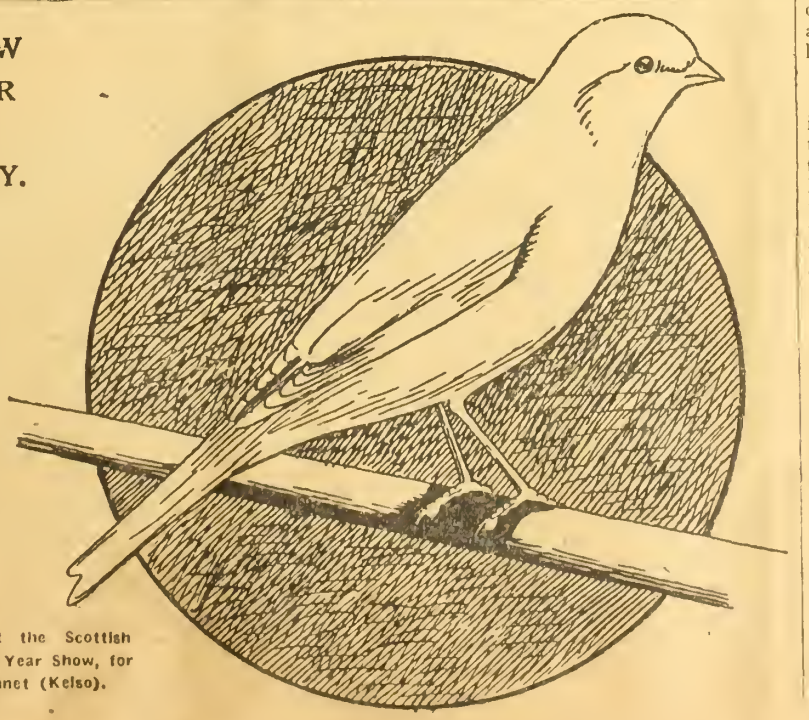
We have seen, in the stupendous happenings of these momentous times, how an entire people, having lost their sense of perspective are capable of riding roughshod over the liberties of other peoples; blatantly trampling upon their rights, and arrogantly denying them the most elementary principles of justice. This has been done in the name of culture and civilization. May it not be that what is possible to a whole nation in a national sense, is doubly and trebly possible to individuals in a domestic sense? The point is at least worth considering.

Further, he craves to give expression to the fervent wish which he knows will be echoed by every reader of CAGE BIRDS: May the year 1915 witness the glorious triumph of our Empire in the stern and desperate struggle she is maintaining to hold secure that freedom which is alike every Briton's birthright and most precious possession; and may every Englishman, in whatever sphere his lot be cast, make it his foremost personal duty to contribute his utmost endeavours toward that end.

And may the next anniversary of CAGE BIRDS' birthday find us celebrating with it the restoration of a blessed and honourable peace.

A REMARKABLE SNAPSHOT OF BRITISH GOLDFINCHES FEEDING ON TEAZLE HEADS.
The work of that clever nature photographer, Mr. J. H. Symonds, of Potton, Beds.

YELLOW BORDER FANCY CANARY.



First prize at the Scottish National New Year Show, for Mr. G. Bennet (Kelso).

HOW MY SUNBIRDS CAME HOME FROM AFRICA.

By The Hon. Mrs. BOURKE.

HAVING been asked to contribute a few notes on the Sunbirds I brought home with me from Africa last year, I must first tell you that I am indebted to the kindness of Monsieur Peringhey, director of the Capetown Museum. This gentleman procured two pairs for me, a pair of Lesser Double-collared Sunbirds, and a pair of Malachite.

There are plenty about, if you know where to look, but they are very difficult to acquire, and I never could hear of any for sale, though no doubt private individuals keep them out there. They are protected in some parts, and also difficult to catch without spoiling their plumage, and a sticky bird, of course, is not fit to take on a long sea voyage.

Owing to the abnormal heat in the tropics last March, I lost the hen Malachite from heat-apoplexy, but the cock survived, and is with me to this day, resplendent in his metallic green plumage, always active, and singing throughout these dark, dreary days of a London winter, by electric light as well as though the sun were shining.

A Liking for Gnats.

They are fed on the usual mixture of Mellin's Food, honey and milk, with grapes, and any live insects I can obtain; though the Malachite prefers, above all other food, the gnats he could catch in the summer, on the wing, in a garden flight, into which he went every day when I was in the country. He comes out into the room in London, and has a bath and a fly round each day, returning to his cage of his own accord.

The chief difficulties in the way of getting them home are: (i.) the rules of the Union Castle Steamship Line, which are very strict, all birds having to remain in the butcher's shop. This is often lit by artificial light for many hours of the day, and when first caught the Sunbirds will not feed except by daylight, and so are apt to go too long without food. (ii.) The butcher has his work to do and cannot attend to the birds till after 9 a.m. (iii.) Many people do not believe that the milk mixture wants changing three or four times a day in hot climates, and it either congeals or goes sour.

Not Exactly Pleasant.

I used to change the pots of milk myself three times a day. The descent to the butcher's shop on a rough day, with the meat swinging about, was anything but a pleasure, but to doing this I attribute my success in landing the Sunbirds. The cock Malachite was nearly done when I got to Southampton last April, but I put him in a specially-heated cage (adapted for me by Mr. Andrew Wilson, of Argyll Street, Glasgow). In this he lived for three weeks at a temperature maintained at about 70 deg., and completely recovered.

He came into full colour in May, and so far (January) has not changed. I find this Malachite Sunbird a most charming pet, easy to keep, and very tame and confiding.

I feel that these notes are so inadequate that I must refer my readers to an excellent article on these and other Sunbirds in the "Avicultural Magazine" for 1914 (January number), called "My Sunbirds' Aviary," by "A Lover of Birds in France," which describes how to keep, feed, and treat them far better than I am able to do.

[By the kindly permission of the Editor, Mr. H. D. Astley, we are enabled to reprint the following extracts from the article of "A Lover of Birds in France." – Editor, "C.B."]

The floor of the Sunbirds' house is covered with sawdust, which is raked up daily and at intervals thrown away and replaced as necessity commands, for I may say here that if there is anything I believe in, where the keeping of birds is concerned, it is the strictest and most unceasing attention to hygiene and cleanliness. As the whole of the room where my birds are housed is whitewashed, dirt is easily rubbed or sponged off, and I boast of the fact that no "bird-smell" prevails anywhere.

All my Sunbirds get the usual mixture of Mellin's food, Nestle's milk and honey, as well as a little insectivorous food for the few Sugar Birds who share their home; then a variety of salads and ripe fruit—grapes, orange, pear, apple, banana, figs, etc. Twice a week I receive fresh from the country, in addition to some big roots of grass for my Finches, traveller's joy or other creeper, and this, besides furnishing all inmates with food and amusement, forms when being sprayed, their favourite bathing-place.

They love to alight on the wet foliage, some even seeking the spray, shaking their iridescent plumage, throwing out their golden shoulders, rubbing and brushing their feathers against the dripping leaves, then carefully combing them with their slender beaks. To this, and to the more thorough bath which they generally indulge in afterwards, in the trough provided for the purpose, also of course to the large space given them and which ensures them exercise, I attribute their faultless and brilliant plumage, their happy appearance, and their almost incessant singing.

Beautiful But Pugnacious.

Quarrels, unfortunately, there are, as most of these species are so spiteful by nature, but so far, there have been no serious rows beyond occasional bad words, owing no doubt to their being able to get away from each other, and also to the great number of feeders provided round the different sides of their enclosure. It is a pretty sight of a morning and after the daily cleaning process has taken place, to see them all crowding round the entrance door, waiting the appearance of the food tray, then perching all over it the moment it is carried into the aviary, each bird eager to be first served or to find his favourite feeder.

I am often asked which species of these lovely birds I like most. Indeed it is hard to say, though for combined grace of shape and attitude, charming plumage and brilliant song, perhaps the Malachite is my favourite —one of them especially, who from the first was always tame, and allows me to touch him without even trying to get away.

The Great Adventure.

But of my present collection, the gem is that rarest of rare birds, the Scarlet-chested or Southern Bifasciated Sunbird (*Cinnyris mariquensis*). This species inhabits the wilds of the lower parts of the Transvaal, and in order to procure it for me, as well as another charming one, the White-breasted Sunbird (*Cinnyris leucogaster* or *Talatala*) it was necessary for the birds, after capture, to be conveyed across the Transvaal Veldt for six wearisome weeks in a rough waggon; then followed a five days' journey in the train to the coast, and, lastly, the three weeks' sea journey home. Yet even some of those reached these shores in almost faultless condition, and to my mind this speaks well, not only for the well-known "pluck" and determination to live, which forms an interesting feature of these apparently frail birds, but also proves the care and diligent attention bestowed upon them by those to whom I owe so many of my finest and rarest specimens.

A pretty sight is to watch all these birds when it has been possible to obtain for them some branches of honeysuckle, bignonia, lethœa, or other flowers containing nectar. Some of them will perch on the blooms, twisting backwards and forwards into every conceivable position and attitude. Others, the Malachite for instance, enjoy hovering over the blooms, after true Humming Birds' fashion, all plunging their long beaks into the very heart of the flowers in order to extract the honey by means of their flexible tongue.

But they can also take solid food in the way of small insects—spiders, flies, green fly, etc., when in season—though in a few cases the mixture seems to be much more relished. Nearly all will also eat fruit, large pieces of the moistened sponge cake, like the Sugar-birds. As this is rather fattening, and one must beware of fits with all these genera, I find it necessary to dose all at times with a pinch of sulphate of soda dissolved in the syrup.

SIDNEY WAXBILLS: Second Prize at the Horticultural Hall Show for Mrs. L. M. Thyrne (Thames Ditton).

MALACHITE SUNBIRD: The exquisite creature described by the Hon. Mrs. Bourke in her contribution to this issue.

TROUBLES OF BIRD BREEDERS

AND HOW TO OVERCOME THEM.

Instructive short articles read in the recent Essay competition of the City and Suburban A.C.B.

(Continued from page 327)

Essay by A. FLEET (Upton Park).

Hens that refuse to feed their young often happen to be unlighted hens, and the cause of it is nervousness and anxiety on their part for their young. I find with other hens, and often these, too, that a dose of Epsom salts in the water for one day (about enough to cover a sixpence) starts them to feed.

Sweating Hens: This "sweating" may be caused by weakness, excess of maternal care, or by feeding too freely with green food, especially when dandeliens are used. Let the hen have a salt-water bath every day, and a dose of Epsom salts for one day (about enough to cover a sixpence). A thin strip of wood across the nest will present the hen from settling down closely and allow a current of air to pass between herself and young.

Preventing Clear Eggs.

Clear Eggs: Prevention is better than cure. If the birds are kept in the winter well supplied with cuttle fish bone and shell gravel, and given twenty drops of Parrish's chemical food in their water once a week, and egg-food with three drops of cod-liver-oil emulsion mixed amongst it, we should have no clear eggs.

Young birds found dead in shell: This is caused either by the failure of the hen to turn her eggs in the nest, or through lack of moisture—a daily bath towards the end of incubation will prevent the mishap, so far as moisture is concerned.

We must also remember that the nest pan should be placed in the most sheltered portion of the cage, then the hen will continually be reversing her position, also every time she returns to her eggs, she will turn them. But if the nest pan gets the full glare of the light, the hen will only sit in one position, and the eggs will seldom get turned.

Assisting the Hatch.

I have also found it a good practice to sprinkle the eggs every evening, when near hatching, with a little warm water. If this is done daily for the last five or six days that the hen is sitting, many young birds will break the shell which otherwise will not do so.

In dry seasons many youngsters are lost by the skin which envelops them becoming hard and dry; when in this state, it becomes fast to the young birds and adheres closely to the skin, so that it is impossible for the youngster to move to crack the shell. Those who are troubled in this manner should not neglect to give the sprinkling process a trial.

Broken Eggs: These are generally caused by the hen's claws being too long, or else by dirty feet.

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My Crossbill "Charlie."

By MADAME FEIST-MADEWELL.

AS you have recently favoured "Charlie," my Crossbill, with his portrait (or correctly speaking picture) in dear old CAGE BIRDS perhaps you would like to know a little about him I have had him over two years and when I bought him he was a rough, poor little chap, harsh in feather, tail "playing cricket," and not looking worth twopence (although, of course, I gave more than that for him).

After I had had him a few days he began to make himself at home and amused himself destroying his perches. These I replaced with pieces of cane, much to his disgust, for, do all he could, it was quite impossible for him to make any impression on these, so he made up for it by eating and wasting as many seeds (mixed), monkey nuts, etc., as he possibly could.

When the time came for him to moult, oh, dear! I thought I had never seen such a "ragged Robin" before in my life. His feathers all stuck out and he developed a pair of trousers (or, rather, knickers) that came right down to his claws. So disreputable did he look that my husband said to me: "Surely you are not going to keep that thing?" You should have seen "Charlie" look at him. He seemed to say (like someone else we know) "Wait and see."

Since 1913 he has taken several prizes, among them 2nd at the L. and P.O.S. Holborn Hall Show, and 5th at the Horticultural Hall Show. Now he is resting on his laurels, waiting for the pair show of the L. and P.O.S., where he hopes to appear again and amuse himself with monkey nuts and chillies and tearing up the prize card which perhaps the judge will give him. (Perhaps not, let me add.)

From a painting] [By Geo. Rankin.

THE WHEATEAR: OUR EARLIEST SPRING MIGRANT.

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

His Lordship has made a special study of the Parrot family. We are indebted to the Editor of the "Avicultural Magazine," Mr. H. D. Astley, for permission to reproduce this informative article.

THERE are three ways of keeping Parrots—using the term "Parrot" in its widest sense to include everything from a Budgerigar to a Red and Yellow Macaw. They may be kept in close confinement in cages or on stands; they may be kept in aviaries; and they may be kept at complete liberty. The first method is the commonest and the most simple; the second is the most satisfactory and the most lucrative; the third is the most attractive and the most exasperating.

It must be borne in mind that all Parrots do not bear close confinement equally well, and many even of those which will survive for some years in cages are in reality quite unsuited to cage life. Anyone, therefore, who desires a Parrot as an indoor pet should make sure of getting a bird which is at least likely to turn out long-lived, contented and affectionate, even if there is not much hope of its ever possessing remarkable linguistic talents. Grey Parrots, Senegals, Amazons, Vasas, Cockatoos, Caiques, some Conures, Quaker Parrakeets, *Brotogerys* Parrakeets, and Budgerigars are all more or less suited to cage life. Some *Polaornis* Parrakeets (Ringnecks and their allies) also become very talented and amusing, but with this family the cocks only should be selected as pets. A hen *Polaornis* in close confinement is usually the dullest bird imaginable.

The Proper Kind of Cage.

A Parrot cage should be rectangular; a bell-shaped cage is apt to spoil the bird's plumage, as it is always rubbing and pressing its feathers against the bars whenever it climbs about. Most Parrot cages are provided with a swing, hanging from the top, and a kind of metal grating at the bottom. The swing *may* amuse the bird, but as often as not it only irritates it and gets in its way, in which case it is best removed.

The grating is a senseless contrivance which serves no useful purpose whatever. It in no way adds to the bird's comfort, and greatly increases the difficulty of keeping the cage clean. A sliding metal tray well covered with grit and sand is all that is required, and it is important to use enough sand to absorb the moisture from the droppings before it reaches the tray itself.

In the case of very valuable or delicate Parrots, a metal "shield," shaped like an empty book cover, is useful to put round the back and sides of the cage as a protection against draughts, but on no account should the cage be covered with a cloth at night. A large rectangular cage, three feet or more square, composed of wire netting on a metal framework and provided with detachable perches of hard wood, a shield of the kind above mentioned, a sliding zinc tray, and a small door in the front for the insertion of food, water and baths, will be found very useful for birds requiring a fair amount of wing and leg exercise. It is particularly suitable for new arrivals which need a period of rest and quarantine before they can safely be placed in an aviary, as well as for aviary birds which cannot be left out-of-doors during the winter months.

All Parrots should be kept constantly supplied with pieces of soft wood to bite up and amuse themselves with, and they should be allowed baths. An unglazed earthenware dish, shaped like a pie dish, makes the best form of bath. China dishes will do if nothing better is available, but they are too slippery and the birds are often afraid to step into them. Parrots which refuse to bathe should be gently sprayed or sprinkled with tepid water, or in summer put out in a shower of rain; they ought afterwards to be kept in a fairly warm place until quite dry. Budgerigars never bathe in the ordinary way, and may be provided with a piece of wet turf in which they are often fond of rolling.

Allow "Polly" Exercise.

Caged Parrots should, if possible, be allowed out daily for exercise. This is not, of course, absolutely necessary, but it is very beneficial, and all true bird-lovers wish their pets to find the conditions of captivity as little irksome as possible. It must be borne in mind that Parrots are very intelligent birds, loving variety and amusement, and that when in a wild state many species take a real pleasure in flying for its own sake, and do not merely employ their wings as a means of getting from place to place, and of escaping from the attacks of their enemies.

Macaws, on account of their huge size, cannot as a rule be accommodated in cages, and are usually kept chained by the leg to a stand. The spectacle of the unfortunate bird perpetually fastened to the same hard perch until its legs grow stiff and its wings lose their power is not a very agreeable one, and I would not therefore advise anyone to keep a Macaw unless it can be given plenty of liberty in or out of doors, or proper aviary accommodation.

Parrot-keeping in aviaries is, as I have said before, the most satisfactory and the most remunerative of the three methods. Not only do the birds usually appear happier and in more perfect plumage than when confined in cages, but there is also a fair chance of successful breeding, and a prolific pair of some rare species may constitute a substantial pecuniary asset to their fortunate owner.

The size of the aviary must, of course, depend upon the money and space available. As a general rule the larger it is the better the birds will thrive, but it must not be forgotten that more satisfactory results are usually obtained when each pair have a comparatively small compartment to themselves than when the whole stock is kept together in one large flight. At the same time, if the species and individuals are carefully chosen (never forget that with birds as with humans "extremes meet," and that while near relatives may quarrel, distant ones may agree), two, and even three, pairs may be kept together and rear their young in perfect harmony.

The Secret of Success.

The great secret is to select birds differing considerably in size, and to make sure that the larger, while being masters of the smaller, are yet of a gentle disposition and not given to meddling in their neighbours' affairs. As an additional precaution the nest boxes should be provided with entrance holes of different sizes, for Parrots, as a general rule, instinctively select breeding quarters with the smallest entrances capable of admitting their bodies. A nest box or barrel should be fixed high—close against the roof, if possible—for a sitting bird dislikes having her neighbours constantly alighting on the roof of her home. The bottom should be concave and covered with a layer of soft decayed wood or sawdust, and the entrance should be only an inch or two above the level of the floor, otherwise the young may find difficulty in making their exit.

In building an aviary the materials used must bear some relation to the destructive powers of the birds which it is intended to introduce. Ordinary wire netting and stout woodwork will confine most *Platycercine* and *Polytelis* Parrakeets, the smaller *Palaornidæ*, Lories and Lorikeets, Lovebirds, Kings and Crimsonwings. Conures, Quaker Parrakeets, and the smaller Parrots require rather stronger netting, and no unprotected woodwork will long resist their attacks. Large Parrots, Cockatoos and Macaws can only be kept in by something of the same nature as the metal-work which covers the large flight cages at the Zoological Gardens.

(To be Continued.)

This fine photograph of a white Robin is one of three of albino birds which appear on a charming Christmas card sent us by some unknown bird-lover. We should be glad to learn his (or her) name, also to receive an account of the birds for publication.

THE WINTER MANAGEMENT OF CANARIES.

By E. W. ALLSOPP, Cardiff.

A well-known breeder and exhibitor, who is in the habit of thinking things out for himself, offers his fellow-fanciers some interesting and novel advice.

IT is with mixed feelings that I entertain the Editor's request for a little chatter regarding the winter management of Canaries, in preparation for the breeding season.

On the one hand I realise that the Fancy has added much to my measure of happiness and prosperity, which I needs must repay in some manner, and therefore I cannot allow even a tiny opportunity to escape me, particularly under the present national circumstances, whereby the Fancy is likely to be pushed, if only temporarily, into the background.

On the other hand, however, I realise that in this all-important matter of feeding and management I am indeed a "rebel." I am convinced that some day, after all sorts of upheavals and revivals have been experienced in many things and in divers ways, there is going to be some "kicking over the traces" in the Fancy regarding the feeding and management of Canaries as now generally adopted, though perhaps our winter management will not be so much concerned as will our subsequent breeding season management.

An Important Prediction.

Considering how important is the part played by feeding and management towards the net results of our efforts in the birdroom, I maintain we devote as fanciers something less than even a passing interest in it; or, at least, we appear to have done so up to now. However, we shall eventually see what we shall see, and that, in my opinion, will be a marked departure from our present-day accepted methods of feeding and management, particularly during the breeding season.

Now the secrets I refer to above are the unpalatable ones. Years ago the "old hands" experienced the same ills to which Canary flesh seems heir to, but said "nuffin." To-day the younger generation has more wisdom. And so, after many pilgrimages to the dust-bin, or kitchen range, during the breeding season, in which "havens of rest" have been deposited not only the tiny mites in which they cherished many hopes, but, alas, too often, their mothers as well, and when, added to this, they have found a general disposition of the stock to shirk even such fundamental duties as nest-building, laying, sitting, and feeding—then these youngsters ask themselves, and others: "Why, oh, why are these things?"

Taking the Wrong Turning.

Lots of such wails went up last season, but as for the answer being forthcoming—as with the burial of Sir John Moore—"not a sound was heard!" Too often, I fear, the seeker after truth in these matters, when offering comparisons to nature's teaching or methods, is directed up the wrong street when told the period of domestication enjoyed by our Canaries is such as to preclude any such comparisons. How much of our grip upon the apron strings of Dame Nature have we loosened after all? Apart from environment and diet, and matters of type, size, and colour, I for one believe we still nestle up to Mother very closely; and we should do much better if we nestled up still closer.

Now, if evolutionists count a thousand years merely as a day when reviewing the history of things, and our usual annual crop of birdroom troubles has come about in less than five hundred years (the period, I understand, which covers the Canary as a cage-bird)—if in this comparatively short space of time we fanciers have broken down the instincts to perform such vital duties accompanying reproduction, then something in our methods is seriously at fault. And that something I am convinced is feeding and management.

As food for reflection I might ask whether Dame Nature imposes upon kindred species of the Canary, as Linnets, Goldfinches, Greenfinches, and others, greater or lesser physical demands during the breeding, compared with the winter season. Do you not think that with the longer days, the ceaseless imperative journeyings when seeking food for the hungry family impose a tremendous physical call upon the parent birds far greater than that experienced in winter when merely searching for their own individual needs? I do!

But, you say, see what a bounteous store of good things Dame Nature provides during the breeding season, abundant succulent "green-meat" and seed, luscious insect life in various stages of development, to support her hard workers.

In reply, I may say: Yes; it is so. Dame Nature supplies a good table, and takes very good care to counteract its rich, stimulating character by enforcing lots of exercise in getting the food-stuffs.

When We Reverse Things.

Thus in the season of greatest plenty we find our birds making longer and more frequent journeys when fulfilling their natural mission, whilst we clever breeders allow them to do just the reverse in our birdrooms. We winter our Canaries in six-feet flights, and in the season of greatest plenty, with rape, hemp, egg-food, etc., ad lib, when we expect them to reproduce their kind with ease *we confine them in twenty-inch breeding cages.*

Circumstances compelled me during the 1913 season to use a four-feet flight as a breeding cage. What a time of it the pair of Norwich Plainheads had in that cage. Morning, noon, and evening they seemed to be going helter-skelter from perch to perch, one of which was at each end, giving three feet of freedom, just so many hundreds of feet per diem, or thousands of feet per week, more than their less fortunate brothers and sisters could obtain in their twenty-four inch breeding cages.

Doing Right Well.

How many youngsters the pair in this flight would have produced I cannot say. But I do know they brought up two families, a six and a seven, just as "easy as winking," and looked round for more, and they are the only pair of Plainheads I ever bred with that showed no signs of the exhausting character of the breeding season, as we say.

And what had they different to other pairs of even more robust constitution then breeding? Only two feet more room for exercise to counteract the season of plenty.

Well, a wink is as good as a nod with me; and after such a revelation you will not be surprised to learn that two four-feet flights were pressed into service during last season. The results were grand.

Something to Try.

The net result of two seasons, with only three pairs in flight cages, is not, of course, nearly sufficient evidence to permit me to say we breeders are fools. Nevertheless, if you, reader, have not been doing so well of late years in the breeding season, don't get into the habit of blaming the weather, just turn these things over in your mind and, incidentally, give your flight cages a trial as breeding cages.

After this rather lengthy digression I had better say something about winter management, though in my own mind I am sure you will undo all the good winter preparation if you persist in breeding, as usual, in what we term breeding cages. However, the result is entirely a matter for you yourself. I will proceed, therefore, to tell you how I manage my own stock; I do not know how other breeders manage theirs.

(To be continued.)

"A BOOK OF BABY BIRDS."

One of the most charming gift books that any bird-lover could select for presentation to children is "A Book of Baby Birds," published at 1s. 6d. by Messrs. W. and R. Chambers, and obtainable of any bookseller. It comprises a most attractive coloured cover (stiff boards) and many full-page illustrations and pictures in the text, with deliciously humorous verses on well-known birds (Larks, Robins, Tits, Nightingales, Ducks, etc.) of which we append those dealing with the Wren. The accompanying drawings we cannot praise too highly; they are broadly humorous, yet the characteristics of the species are never lost sight of. As a means of inculcating a knowledge of birds into young minds, we heartily commend this delightful book to our readers.

The Wrens, you know, are very small
Their nest is like a mossy ball;
With care they build it, bit by bit,
And make a door in front of it.

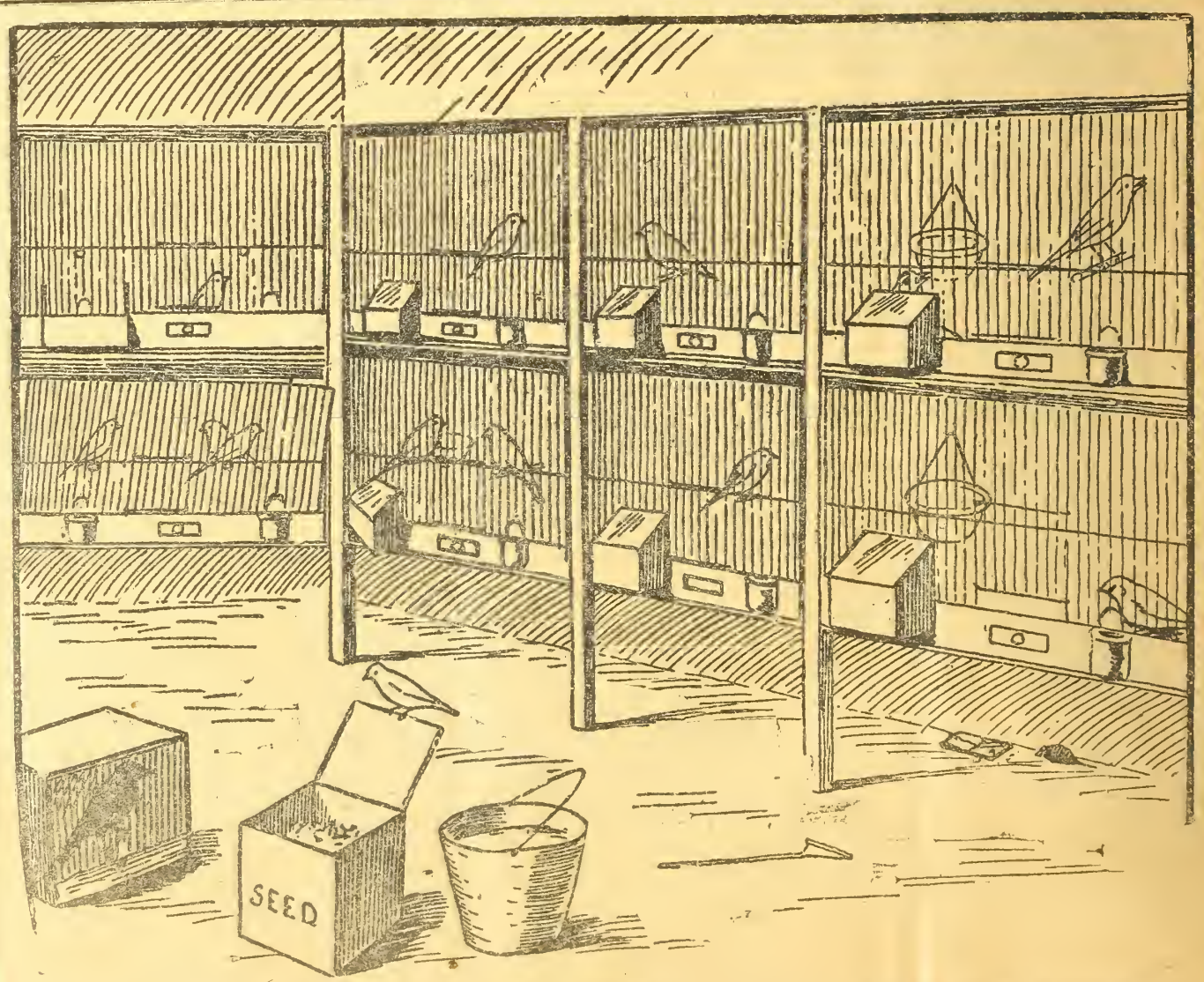
The baby Wrens, of course, by far
Are smaller than their parents are,
But there is such a lot that you
Would think the nest would come in two.

If you should pay their house a visit,
They all peep out to ask "Who is 't?"
And if you touch them, in a crack
They all flop out, and won't go back.

For baby Wrens, although so wee,
Are very bold and fierce, you see,
In fact, sometimes the things they say
Would frighten even cats away!

Goldfinches Increasing near Carlisle

I should like to state that the Goldfinch has been a regular visitor to certain districts near Carlisle for many years, and has visited one particular feeding ground, which is within the city boundary, for over twenty years. It visits the same feeding ground regularly for a few weeks each year, and from a few birds it is pleasing to note that they have gradually increased in numbers, and this year we were visited by a fine flock of between 40 and 50 birds, which were watched feeding for three hours one day.—Bird Lover, in the "Cumberland News."



A PUZZLE PICTURE: CAN YOU SUPPLY THE SOLUTION?

Five Shillings Cash (or our Books to value) to whoever sets to rights this disorderly birdroom.

Our artist has imagined a bird-room wherein the owner has committed sixteen "sins" from the careful bird-keeper's point of view. To the reader who sends us a correct list of these acts of carelessness we will present the above prize. In the event of none giving the 16 items correctly, the prize will go to the list containing the most correct items, and in the event of a tie, the winner will be drawn for. All replies must be sent on postcards only; don't forget to add your name and address. Latest date for sending in, Monday, Jan. 25th. The decision of the Editor must be accepted as final.

Correspondence.

Birds Going Bare on the Head.

SIR,—I have noticed few queries in CAGE BIRDS re birds being bare on their heads. I have had some in my time go like that after the moult, but after a couple of dressings of vaseline the feathers have come on again. Don't put too much on, of course.

A. E. LONG.

The Giving of Prize Cards.

SIR,—I should like to ask why it is the largest show in London (i.e., the Horticultural Hall) does not give prize cards to the fortunate exhibitors who have gained them? I think I can safely say that the majority of exhibitors, especially novices, place far more honour on the cards won than on the money, and it appears to me to be bad judgment on the part of show officials in not giving them. Surely the patience, time, etc., of the fortunate exhibitor is worth a

PRIZE CARD.

The Greenfinch Class at Doncaster Show.

SIR,—Kindly allow me space in your valuable paper, of which I am a supporter, with regard to the result at Doncaster show in the Greenfinch class. I would like to know whether my bird was on the bench or underneath it? Only a fortnight since he got first at Gateshead in a class of 22, and your reporter spoke very highly of him. My champion Greenfinch has been under the judge five or six times, and he has awarded him three firsts, two specials and two seconds; and this the first time he has not gained honours. His record of wins is: Oct. 25, 1913, 1st and sp. Middlesbrough; Nov. 8, 2nd Hartlepool; Nov. 13, 2nd Selby; Nov. 22, 1st Stockton; Dec. 6 and 8, 2nd Bradford National; Dec. 12 and 13, 1st, sp. Gateshead; Jan. 10, 2nd Doncaster; Jan. 16 and 17, 4th Sunderland; and at Gateshead, Dec. 19 in 1914, 1st in class of 22.

A. CUSS.

The Value of "Push."

Sir,—One of your correspondents says he often has to sell birds worth 20s. for 7s. How does he know they are worth this? Presumably by the price he has had to pay himself; but this is no criterion. The way to get full value for his stock is to exhibit at one or the other of the leading shows, and win prizes. He will then have no difficulty of disposing of any he has for sale—and at more than face value—no matter where he may live.

——— J. BASTOCK.

Sir,—In noting the invitation for help from Mr. H. Coker, I fear he hardly realises the task he would impose upon me. Firstly, I am prompted to ask, upon whose authority does he make the statement that the birds sold for 7s. each, were honestly worth 15s. to 20s. each? Secondly, were his advertisements merely an indication of his being a seller; or were such couched in convincing truthful language? A formidable obstacle in the way of many advertisers failing to realise the prices asked for their surplus birds is their own inability to properly appraise their reasonable value. Much as I feel I should like to help Mr. Coker, he being a novice, beyond asking him to re-read my article and calmly comparing what he actually did with the advice therein tendered (I am assuming that he alone, and not the birds, is responsible for the apparently poor results obtained) I regret that I cannot suggest a speedier and more reliable way of changing his birds into the cash he desires.

E. W. ALLSOPP.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

SIR,—I noticed with interest when reading your excellent report of the Scottish National show, that Mr. Parlett's handsome, but mysterious, Hybrid, "White Rose," had been thrown out of competition by the judge, Mr P. McQuiston, he refusing to accept it as a variegated Canary-Bullfinch (presumably, then, he considers it to be of Greenfinch-Bullfinch parentage. Yet on walking into Ardwick show on Saturday last, there was the bird again, this time behind a first prize ticket, awarded it by Mr. Chas. Houlton. What are we Hybrid breeders to think when we find a state of things like this existing? Does it mean that our judges don't know what the bird really is? Or does it mean that one man can find evidence in it to prove that it is one thing, and another man to prove that it is another thing? Anyway, it is very unsatisfactory. I always thought that a Hybrid carried clear traces of its parentage on both paternal and maternal sides; all of those which I have seen have done so. I must candidly say that Mr. Parlett's bird to my mind—and I have owned most crosses, and have also compared it with other Canary Bullies—shows no trace of the Canary cross at all, except its uncommon light colour. On the other hand it is distinctly like a Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid in build and carriage. Therefore it seems to me that Mr. McQuiston is clearly right, and that the bird is a variegated (light, or rare-feathered) Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid. It would be interesting to know what are the points, other than its colour, on which Mr. Houlton (and other judges who have given it prizes) relies to prove his view that it is a Canary-Bullfinch. In my opinion Mr. Houlton and others have allowed the bird's light colour to influence them, and not taken into consideration other—and more important, because not accidental—points about the bird.

RED ROSE.

Special Prizes at Falkirk Good Intent Show.

SIR,—In answer to Mr. Walter Clarkson, I think he has gone off the subject when he mentions about the writer of the letter signed "Interested" being an individual belonging to some other body. The Falkirk and District has done more for the Fancy than any other club, and none of their members would write like this to a paper. Why could Falkirk and District and Grangemouth and Bannockburn combine together and have a show, and the Good Intent refuse? Let Mr. Clarkson and Co. join in with the rest of the clubs and encourage the novice; it will lend a harmony among the fanciers in Stirlingshire.

A SPORTSMAN.

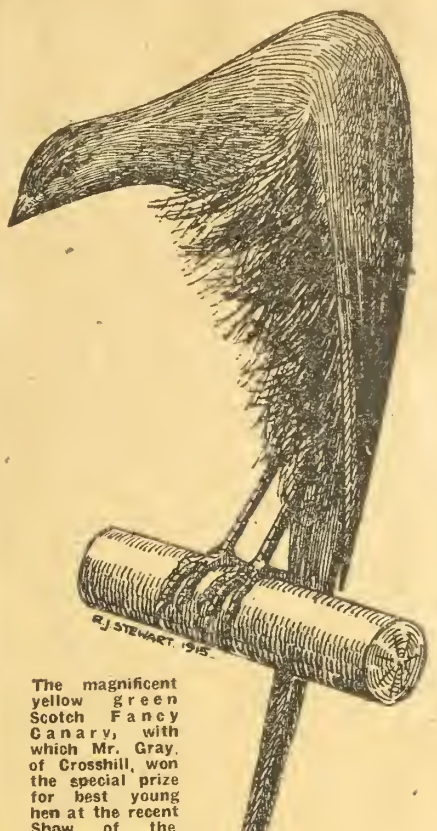
[This correspondence is now closed.—EDITOR.]

How to Obtain More Young Cock Canaries?

SIR,—Will any reader of CAGE BIRDS kindly inform me if there is any method of obtaining a larger number of cocks than hens among young Canaries when breeding, and if so, what the method is? I am quite a novice in this line, only having started last season, so should be much obliged if someone could give me a bit of advice on the subject. Of the old birds (which are "German") with which I have been breeding, the cock was about two years old at that time, and the hen about 12 months. Out of the 15 young ones which I reared eight were hens and seven cocks, so that if anyone can inform me how to obtain a larger average of cock birds when I breed again and also the best method of training them to sing, I shall be very pleased. I wish your interesting paper, CAGE BIRDS, every success.

B. Y. (Wellington).

[Training to sing was dealt with at great length in the article on the Roller Canary recently published by Mr. Tomlinson.—EDITOR.]



The magnificent yellow green Scotch Fancy Canary, with which Mr. Gray, of Crosshill, won the special prize for best young hen at the recent Show of the Glasgow Scotch Fancy Association.

The L. and P.O.S. Collection of Stuffed Birds.

SIR,—Consequent on the increasing requirements of the Naval Authorities at the Crystal Palace, the L. and P.O.S. have found it necessary to remove their collection of stuffed birds, which has been temporarily taken charge of by Messrs. E. Gerrard and Sons, the taxidermists, and will still be available for exhibition purposes when occasion arises. I may add that amongst the more interesting recent additions to the collection, are the following:—Cinnamon House Martin, presented by Mr. E. J. Lamb (New Malden); Kingfisher, Mr. V. Wynn (Park Lane); Dartford Warbler hen, Mr. Evans (Hindhead); Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid, variegated, presented by Mrs. Askham (Torquay). It may be urged that the first two are not strictly cage birds (not being in the N.B.B. and M. list) but the former at least is a rare if not unique specimen, and therefore a valuable addition to the collection. The last bird has taken honours, and is, as far as I have seen, the only variegated Canary Bullfinch Hybrid ever shown (with the possible exception of Mr. Parlett's). Whilst thanking these donors, and all who have kindly sent me birds for the collection, I may venture to hope that no fancier will lose an opportunity of assisting me to make this collection complete. Of course, "It's a long, long way to Tipperary"; and I may vary my appeal to my Scotch friends by quoting the Scotch version, "It's a long, long way to Auchtermuchty."

G. CRABE.

What Birds Are These?

SIR,—Re the above discussion in CAGE BIRDS, I may say that fully two years ago a ship arrived in Liverpool from South America with about a dozen birds on board which were liberated. They all resembled cock Sparrows, the only difference being the male bird had a slight crest.

J. W. SCOTT.

An Alleged "Canker" in the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.

SIR,—Kindly allow me space for a few lines in respect of one of the most successful societies in the North of England. I refer to the Ardwick and Manchester and Dist. C.B.S., which held its first open show on Jan. 8 and 9, a great success, nearly 500 birds being staged. But there is a dark side; murmurings of discontent have been heard, and when investigated show that unless the curb is put on very tight this society will begin to degenerate, like everything else where there is canker. As every fancier knows, a bird society is mainly composed of working men, and as long as the working men have the governing all will go right. I wish to give a few words of advice to the working men members of Ardwick Society. Look to yourselves before it is too late, and don't allow yourselves to be led by a certain clique of gentlemen who are hiding their schemings and machinations under a cloak. Get the officials you want, and not those thrust upon you by this clique. Stand together lads, and you will have one of the best societies in England.

A. S. P.

The Canary in the Army.

SIR,—For some unknown reason, "Bill" is the stock name for the Canary in married quarters in barracks, no matter the sex of the bird. Those hucksters who had the right of entry to barracks, a much sought after privilege, to supply the men with goods they could not obtain in the canteen, always had a stock of birds and cages on hand. The quality of the bird might be judged from its cage. A Canary and cage that could be purchased for, say 2s. 6d., did not represent much in the way of voice in the inmate, or finish in its house. Following 2s. 6d. came 3s. 6d. (no sixpences here, if you please). This was a distinct improvement.

Then the 5s. and 7s. 6d. lots came; and both were good value. The 5s. bird had a wicker cage; where these wicker cages are made is uncertain, though probably by individual workers, as they cannot be purchased in ordinary shops. The 7s. 6d. bird had a gorgeous house, nicely painted and decorated. Privates purchased the 3s. 6d. outfit on marrying. Corporals usually indulged in the 5s. ones on the same auspicious occasions, and warrant officers and sergeants bought the 7s. 6d. birds. No guarantee as to singing was given.

A Canary seems to represent home life to the British soldier. The man who married without permission, and could not therefore obtain married quarters, furnished rooms outside. He obtained the furniture on the instalment system, and installed the wife in these apartments; and he always bought a bird in a cage. The newly-wedded wife, on her part, always bought a pair of vases for the table. A bird seems to represent home to Mr. Atkins in the same way that ornamental vases represent "culture" to Mrs. A.

D.J.R.

The Modern Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—I have read with great interest the letters and articles which have appeared in CAGE BIRDS from time to time from the pen of Mr. E. Allsopp, and was very pleased to see the challenge thrown out to him to start a discussion on the present-day Norwich Canary. To my mind Mr. Allsopp is about the best person to carry on an enlightened and intelligent discussion on the subject. He is evidently an educated man, and goodness knows there are enough of the other sort in the Fancy to-day, with the result that they are led or driven by a few who are out for £ s. d., and are therefore prevented from making any headway at all. I sincerely hope this discussion will commence, as the breezy and good hearted way in which Mr. Allsopp writes will be sure to please even the man who holds a contradictory opinion. May he long be spared to give us the best he is capable of.

——— H. EVANS.

Sir,—It is not my intention to enter into a "chipping" contest with Mr. Allsopp; so I'll leave him to take the medicine, or swallow the bottle, as he likes. On taking up the breeding of Canaries again, the first thing I did was to visit several of the shows to see what had been done during the years I have been outside. I found that the Norwich were very much larger, with bolder, broad heads, an improvement, to my idea—then I looked about me to see who was breeding this type of bird. I had no intention of starting to get them from the old fashioned specimens; if I am to succeed I must start right here, and try to improve on those before us now. After a lot of trouble I got a few birds together, paying more than the face value sometimes to get the type I required. I only had two cocks that bred in 1914, but I reared 23 young from them, seven of which have won prizes, so I am vain enough to think I am on the right track.

I take neither of the descriptions given by Mr. Allsopp as my ideal of a modern Norwich. We will start with the yellow Norwich. The yellows shown by Mr P. V. Williams during 1913, and the yellow exhibited by Mr. Crawshaw during 1914. I take as my ideal. For the benefit of those who have not seen these birds I will give my description of them. The first extra large, deep chest, short flights and tail, good broad head, and fine quality of feather. The 1914 bird, grand broad head, well rounded off, and full cheeks, extra large body, well carried wings, grand colour, and good quality—if a fault, rather on the long side. That a cross has had to be used to get his wonderful head properties, I have no doubt. Now, what is the cross most likely to produce it? I have started this discussion hoping to get information and exchange of ideas; also to give information and assistance to those breeders who have not had much experience. I hope fanciers will join in.

J. BASTOCK.

SIR,—I can assure "Sub Rosa" that his remarks are quite welcome. Have you carefully taken stock as to where and under what judges these "cracks" (which I presume you are defending) have been exhibited? You will find the number of shows very small, and you will also find that those winners only win under certain judges. Isn't it curious, my friend, that your champion (not mine) was whacked, and easily, at Ardwick show? I think I have you nailed down here. The winner was a typical Norwich, nice round head, good clear eye, short beak, short thick neck, broad, deep chest, wings and tail short and compact, etc. The second (your champion), larger bird, better colour, nice soft, silky feather, plenty of it, well shown, but (and I make these remarks without any prejudice to the owner) he is too sulky looking, and you have to lift the cage the height of your head to see the whole of his eye (when on the show bench you could only see half of it); further, he is too long in wings and tail, with an oscillating carriage should also have been beaten by the 4th bird in the class, a good typical Norwich show bird. Now, my friend, I wait to see more winners like the Ardwick winner (unflighted yellow). I commend the judge for putting a typical Norwich first, a bird nearest to the N.P.C. standard and type.

BARKER CLEGG.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Larkhall O.S. (Scotland).—Public Hall, Jan 23. Judge, J. M'Kay. 19 classes: Brit. 8, Bord. 2, Com. Can. 1, Nor. 2, Yorks. 2, For. 1, Mule 1, Hen 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. cl. Jan. 23 to J. M'Ewan, 59, M'Neill St.

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ARDWICK.

First Annual Show of the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A., St. Thomas's Schools, Jan. 8 and 9. Years ago there were two open shows annually in Manchester, but the Pendleton Society seems either to have died out or to be in urgent need of some bird specialist's "Revivo," for it has for some years now not held an open show. This year, that go-ahead young society, the Ardwick, has stepped into the breach and held what can only be considered a first-class show for first venture. The show was an unqualified success, for some wonderful birds were to be seen; while we gathered that financially everything was as good as could be expected. The room was a good one; plenty of large windows all round the sides, lofty, and on the Saturday afternoon it was almost uncomfortably crowded. The staging was everything that could be desired, and the birds could be seen from any position. The Society has the Rev. C. E. Gaul, as president and as an exhibiting member, and another member of the clergy, the Rev. J. W. Wragg on the committee. Chairman, Mr. W. Robinson, is a fancier with a reputation of long standing, while an energetic fancier in Mr. A. E. Thorpe also fills the treasurer's position, and the hon. sec., Mr. Spencer, is the embodiment of all that is civil, and vigorously energetic. On the second day a big placard announcing that "prize money is now being paid" was pasted over the secretary's room. Parlett's "White Rose" was again a centre of attraction, and many were the opinions expressed as to its parentage; but this time the bird was safely ensconced behind the red ticket. Norwich were a grand lot, although we noticed few noted local faces. Mr. Crawshaw's noted unlighted yellow stood only second, but on the Saturday, when we saw the bird, he seemed to stand away from anything in the show for all round excellence. Special for best Norwich went to Mr. Crawshaw with a wonderful cl. yell. cock, a bird hard to find fault with. Yorks. were not good in numbers, but some very good stuff was out. Special for best went to Mr. O. Bulmer's unflighted buff, a massive bird of good quality and type. Borders, though not in great quantity, contained high-class exhibits, and there was keen competition right through. British were very good, many of the season's tried winners doing duty for their owners. Mules and Hybrids contained a good lot of well-known high-class exhibits. The Foreign class was led by a grand pair of Nonpareils in perfect condition. Mr. H. W. Battye judged Yorks and Nor., Mr. C. Houlton the remaining sections.

YORKS., YELL. (5): 1, Dykes, fine upstanding and lengthy, superb qual., lovely round body; 2, Dyson, better wing and tail carr., grand legs, beaten in qual. of feather; 3, Henderson and Crosby, long bird, nice level back, twist in neck sometimes, which probably downed him; 4, Hirst, all clears; vhc, Helsby. BUFF (10): 1, Dykes, nice feather and cond., but not over long; 2, Dyson, very lengthy, grand qual. and leggy, neat head, crosses wings a bit; 3, Henderson and Crosby, neat head, neck, back, and qual., must have pressed, good as any; 4, Wilkinson; vhc, Hirst; hc, Ramsden; c, Bingham and Furness. HEN (8): 1, Dyson, grizzle back buff, very neat, lengthy, grand feather; 2, vhc, Darlington Bros., yell. mkd. eyes and wings, grand pos.; 3, Henderson and Crosby, grizzle neck buff, very slim, lovely qual.; 4, Broughton, one of the finest, mkd. neck yell., very grand type, sweetest of heads, grand straight tail; hc, Hibbert; c, Bingham and Furness. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Hibbert, very long grizzle neck, magnificent specimen, straight as a lamp-post; 2, Bingham and Furness, cl., long-sided bird, nice pos., bad wings; 3, Bulmer, mkd. neck, lovely col. and qual., neat head; 4, Potts; vhc, Broughton; hc, Dykes; c, Foster. BUFF (5): 1, sp, Bulmer, great size, long drawn out, rare feather for big one; 2, Dykes, mkd. wing, equal size, grand pos., trifle stouter perhaps; 3, Broughton, cl., very slim, grand qual., rare legs, bit too lively; 4, Foster; vhc, Bingham and Furness. HEN (6): 1, Dykes, head and rump mkd., nice pos., lovely head and qual.; 2, 4, Potts, cl. yell. leads, grand qual. of feather, good wings; 3, Hibbert, heavy mark, very neat, beaten wing carr; vhc, Broughton; hc, Helsby. AMAT. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, Millet, nice length, true Yorkie, rare col. and qual.; 2, Riley, good cond., straight up, rare legs, trifle too racy; 3, Taylor, very clean cut cl., lovely head and qual., well up on leg; 4, Hird; vhc, Harrison; hc, Whittle. BUFF (8): 1, Hird, grand cl., best of qual., steady as a rock, grand oval head, fit for open; 2, McTurk, good pos., rare legs, neat head, beaten length; 3, Harrison, mkd. head and wings, feather of the silkiest, neat tail and wings; 4, Rothwell; vhc, Wright; hc, Hawkins; c, Taylor. HEN (7): 1, McTurk, cl. buff, very neat, medium length, exquisite feather; 2, 3, Rothwell, two grand birds, yell. and buff, neat heads, wings, and tails; 4, Taylor; vhc, Jones; hc, Pickup; c, Wright. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Brown, lovely type, only medium size, but all there for points; 2, c, Harrison, again not a big one, neat head and col., beaten neck; 3, McTurk, mkd. head, rare col., grand wings and tail; 4, Pickup; vhc, Whittle; hc, Hisling. BUFF (8): 1, Riley, long bodied cl., rare oval head, grand back; 2, Rothwell, loveliest grizzle head and neck mkd. bird, rare type, grand pos. and legs, nobody would have grumbled had it won; 3, hc, Millett, cl., lovely col. and feather, neat oval head, 4, Davies; vhc, Harrison; c, Afflick. HEN (8): 1, Davies, sweet neck mkd. yell., lovely type and qual.; 2, vhc, Taylor, cl. buff, silky feather, bad to beat; 3, Riley, cl. yell., grand type and pos., beaten qual.; 4, Millett; hc, Wright; c, McTurk. NOR. YELL. (12): 1, sp, Crawshaw, Manchester winner, rare good bird, seems a trifle less stout than when we saw him last; 2, 3, Turner, massive cl., great head and col. and type; 3, var., of grand type and qual., behind in size; 4, Hirst; vhc, Rev. Wragg; hc, Vint; c, McAndrews. BUFF (9): 1, Hirst, monster cl., rare body, bit pinched in head; 2, Thorpe, bigger still, grand col., feathery at thighs; 3, Crawshaw, the well-known mkd. breast, not a feather out, good broad head, neck, chest, and clean under, should have won; 4, Turner; vhc, Vint; hc, Rev. Wragg; c, Fields. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Sharples, cl., good head, rare col. and feather, too slim, catalogued at £3, no claimants; 2, hc, Smith, grand var., massive head, rare col. and qual., deep chest and wide; 3, Lewis, eyes mkd., nice silky tone, good head, neck and type; 4, Crawshaw, cl., grand col., nice level back, deep chest and good head; vhc, Turner; c, Cook. BUFF (8): 1, Fields, nice col. and body, rare type and qual., sweet head; 2, Hirst, very similar, not quite the head points; 3, Lawson, massive cl., very wide body, level back, grand head and thick neck, pale col., and should have won; 4, c, Vint; vhc, Peters; hc, Turner. UNFLIG. YELL. (17): 1, Fields, very neat cl., nice silky feather, good head and neck, could do with more subs.; 2, c, Crawshaw, noted cl., best we have seen this year. Why second here? 3, Hirst, well-known var., rare head and shape, beaten in general tone of feather and size; 4, Cooper, slimmer, cl., very taking bird though, beautiful qual. and col.; vhc, Turner; hc, Boothman. BUFF (8): 1, Crawshaw, not the biggest, but for all round excellence hard to beat; 2, Lawson, more massive, and perhaps better in head and neck, but faulty wing carr., keeps him down; 3, Vint, nice shape, col. and qual., beaten head; 4, Fields; vhc, McAndrews; hc, Huggins; c, Thorpe. HEN (9): 1, Lawson, var. yell., lovely type and qual., beautiful wide head, thick neck, clean cut as a Robin, tail no more than two inches, not a nondescript by any means; 2, Cook, the noted var, big bird, good qual. for a big one, rare head and neck; 3, Rev. Wragg, big cl., rare head, nice qual., should make up well; 4, Cooper, hottest col. buff in show, looks cocky; vhc, Turner; hc, Thorpe; c, Fields. AMAT., NOR. YELL. (15): 1, W. Spencer, nice cl., grand feather and type, good deep chest; 2, J. Spencer, large var., massive head and body, beaten qual.; 3, Bradley, tick wing, slimmer in body, grand col.; 4, Garbutt, good deep chest, rare head and neck, bit hairy; vhc, hc, Rev. Gaul; c, Taylor. BUFF (11): 1, Howarth, big cl., neat head and neck, trifle split on breast; 2, Rooney, var., grand qual. and col., good head and neck, rare deep body and short tail, our choice; 3, Rev. Gaul, good sized cl., rare head and neck, good tail carr.; 4, Davies; vhc, Lewis; hc, Stuttard; c, Midgley. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Weston, cl., nice body shape and col., qual, A1; 2, Rev. Gaul, eyes mark, shorter body, bit ropey in feather; 3, Midgley, best in class so far, nice carr. of wings and tail, good head and neck; 4, Chilton; vhc, Thorpe; hc, Johnson; c, Spencer. BUFF (13): 1, Spencer, very massive cl., rare deep chest, with fuller neck, would do for open; 2, Weston, var., lovely type and feather, grand short body; 3, Booth, cl., great size and type, good deep chest and col.; 4, Rev. Gaul, very massive cl., rare head and neck, grand stock; vhc, Howarth; hc, Taylor Bros.; c, Davies. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, Hartup, heavy mark, rare type, lovely head and qual.; 2, Lewis, cl., bigger, but not quite the type, nice head; 3, Wareing, mkd. wings, nice deep chest and shape; 4, Stuttard; vhc, Gaul; hc, Thorpe; c, Mitchell. BUFF (14): 1, hc, Chilton, var., grand type and feather, rare shape, nice short tail, will make up well; 2, 3, Hartup, slightly tkd., again rare shape and feather, good col.; 4, Bradley; vhc, Davies; c, Chilton; hc, Johnson. HEN (11): 1, 3, Hartup, var. yell., nice shape, qual., and type, rare head and neck; 3rd, yell., rare type, neat head, shape, and qual.; 2, Mitchell, big cl. buff, nice head and qual; 4, Rooney; vhc, Wardle; hc, Gaul; c, Spencer. MEMBERS, NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Richards; 2, 3, Walshaw; 4, Wolsencroft; vhc, hc, Wotherspoon. BUFF (7): 1, Warburton; 2, Land; 3, c, Salthouse; 4, Parish; vhc, Mashider; hc, Richards. YELL. HEN: 1, Wareing; 3, vhc, Salthouse; 2, Wolsencroft; 4, Wotherspoon; hc, c, Walshaw. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Richards; 2, vhc, Warburton; 3, Mashider; 4, Wareing; hc, Blinston; c, Land. BUFF (7): 1, Richards; 2, Wolsencroft; 3, Parish; 4, Mashider; vhc, Warburton; hc, c, Robinson. HEN (9): 1, Wolsencroft; 2, Warburton; 3, Mashider; 4, hc, Land; vhc, Robinson; c, Hall. YORKS., YELL. (4): 1, 2, Moss; 3, Blinston; 4, Richards. BUFF (4): 1, Blinston; 2, Fletcher; 3, Walshaw; 4, Stewart. HEN (5): 1, Richards; 2, Blinston; 3, Fletcher; 4, Walshaw; vhc, Stewart. UNFLIG. YELL. (2): 1, Fletcher; 2, Radford. BUFF (2): 1, Fletcher; 2, Radford. HEN (3): 1, 2, Richards; 3, Fletcher. BORD. CL. CK. (4): 1, Madagan, very smart, jaunty carr., pretty shape, very tight cond.; 2, Espie, beautiful type, stylish carr., neat all through; 3, Nelson, very racy, good carr., well clothed, tight cond.; 4, Pennington.. BUFF (9): Nos. 1, 2, Coldbeck, greens, wg. class. 1, Espie, cl., most typical, symmetrical in form and carr., cond. grand; 2, vhc, Cavanagh, very tight and well clothed, good type and carr.; 3, Pennington, jaunty carr., nice type, just gives way in tightness at the moment; 4, Garbutt; hc, Madagan; c, Ellwood. HEN (9): 1, Pennington, cinn. mkd. yell., grand in every respect, a gem; 2, Garbutt, lovely type, perfect style, carr. and cond.; 3, 4, Nelson, beauties, very close up in all points; vhc, Long; hc, Cavanagh; c, Ellwood, wg. class, Coldbeck. GR. OR CINN. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Middleton, real typical Borders, gr. and cinn., respectively, sound and level col., rare cond.; 3, Greenwell, medium size, grand type, col., carr. and cond.; 4, Longmore; vhc, Long; hc, Affleck. BUFF (6): 1, hc, Middleton, grand, A1 self; 2, Affleck, very neat type, good style and wing carr., well wrapped up, good col.; 3, Longmore, level col., well toned, fine type and cond.; 4, Long; vhc, Greenwell. HENS (9): 1, 3, Middleton, leader, a gem, all out to-day, both in tip-top form; 2, Greenwell, yell. gr., gay jaunty bird, level, sound col., pretty carr.; 4, hc, Longmore; vhc, Clare; c, Long. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (14): 1, c, Oldham, leader, well-known winning Goldf., in the pink; 2, Walkden, very fine, shapely Bullf., in fine feather; 3, Brade, Goldf., capital blaze, good moons and bars, just gives way a little to leader in tanning; 4, Affleck; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Hubbard; c, Daley. LINNET (7): 1, 3, Oldham, well-known winners, in good cond.; 2, Ball, bold, good shape, fine markings, just a bit lower in cond. to-day to 1st; 4, McAndrews; vhc, Clare; hc, Brade; c, Hughes. SISKIN, ETC. (13): 1, 3, hc, Oldham, best cond. Twite in class; 3rd, good mealy Redpoll; 2, Middleton, medium sized yell., moulted Siskin, nicely fed, capitally defined, dark laced cap, neat bib, good side spangling, and grand tight glossy cond., yell margin round cap and over eyes, boldly and clearly defined; 4, Wishaw; vhc, Daley; c, Ball. GREENF. (9): 1, 2, Fairhurst, two very fine, well finished birds; 3, Fletcher, fine cond., good shape and col.; 4, Ball; vhc, Middleton, wet when judged; hc, Whitney and Son; c, Brade. CHAFFINCH: 1, Wishaw, prettily spangled Bramble, in grand cond.; 2, Rothwell, rare good bold Chaffinch; 3, Hubbard; 4, Oldham; vhc, Whitney and Son. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Bull, very grand cond., medium sized Hawfinch; 2, Brade, good Corn Bunting, nice order; 3, Wishaw, very pretty, steady Snow Bunting; 4, Fairhurst; vhc, Parlett. SOFTBILL: 1, Darlox, excellent Waxwing; 2, Hemmings, grand champion old Thrush; 3, Colton, pretty Robin. DK. CAN.-MULE (15): 1, vhc, hc, Oldham, grand yell Siskin-Can., A1 cond.; 2, Chadwick, very good yell. Goldf. Can., splendid col. and feather; 3, Whitney and Son, deep col. yell. Greenf. Can., tight cond.; 4, Cooper; c, Morgan. A.O. HYB. ETC. (9): 1, Parlett, well-known, rare variegated Can.-Bullf., in grand form, singing well when taking notes; 2, 3, 4, hc, Oldham, good team, Goldf.-Bullf., yell. mkd. Goldf.-Can., Linnet-Bullf., all good; c, Whitney and Son; vhc, Brade, good Greenf.-Bullf. FOR.: 1, 2, hc, Hubbard, pair Nonpareils, leading in A1 form; 3, Colton; 4, Daley; vhc, Kay. NOV., CINN. BORD (1): Kindson. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (2): 1, Walshaw. LINNET: 1, Fletcher; 2, Hill. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Hill. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Fletcher; 2, 3, 4, Hill.

GREAT HORTON.

Annual Open Show of the Great Horton O.S., Jan. 9, Cross Lane Council School. The room is the best room in Bradford, is large enough for a National Show, and possesses a splendid light. Both the exhibitors and visitors seemed to be delighted with it. The caretaker (Mr. Hudson) took great interest in the exhibits, and did his best to have the temperature carefully regulated. Entries numbered 276, a very good number, seeing that it was the last Yorkshire Union Show of the season, and all the competition had been won. It was curious to note, however, that, not one class had the stipulated number of fifteen entries for full prize money, so prizes throughout were on the sliding scale. Quality was above the average, most of the notable winners being benched and several of them got well beaten. The President, Mr. Fred Self, had full charge of the management of the show, and the way in which he held the reins is deserving of the highest praise. Sec., Mr. Holroyd, got through his duties in the usual businesslike manner being ably assisted by Mr. B. Hainsworth. The show stewards were Messrs. Harry Jennings (one of the most experienced in Bradford), Hainsworth, and Self. The gatemen were Messrs. Morley, Hunter, and Joe Hainsworth. The railway cases were well looked after by Mr. Hartley. Other helpers were Messrs. S. Midgley, G. Midgley, Crabtree, Snead, Ellis Self, and Shackleton. The society must be proud of having such a strong body of working members, and the way in which the duties were carried out reflects great credit upon their abilities. The prize money was paid out to most of the exhibitors at the show, and the remainder has since been paid. The packing up and sending away the exhibits was done without a hitch. Mr. A. Hirst judged and seemed to give general satisfaction.

CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YKS. (13): 1, Snead, tkd., grand length, nicely moulded, fine, silky feather, long, well fitting wings, pipe tail, sound level col., A1 pos., fine cond.; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., rather longer, slim and typical, hot col., loses in body shape; 3, Dykes, cl., rare length and style, rich col., grand head, neat wings and tail; 4, Stobart, cl., beautiful shape and style, only beaten in length; vhc, Hirst; hc, Robertshaw; c, Hill. BUFF (11): 1, Ogden Bros., cl., plenty of length, rather short of bloom, lovely shape, long and well fitting wings, stands correct on best of legs; 2, Thomas, cl., hot col., rare length and style, wings and tail correct; 3, Dykes, tkd., correct type, lovely qual., A1 pos., not quite as long as leaders; 4, Beaumont, tkd., excels in qual., level col., stands well up; vhc, Bennett; hc, Jennings; c, Lingard. UNFLIG. YELL. (9): 1, F. Self, cl., wonderful length, very long flights, rich level col., grand head and back, wings and tail well braced, fine cond., shows improvement; 2, Dykes, cl., beautiful shape and style, rich col., A1 pos., only beaten in length; 3, Beaumont, tkd., very slim and typical, feather like silk, stands well up; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, cl., nice style, very racy, level col., neat wing carr.; vhc, Lingard; hc, Morrison; c, Sheard. BUFF (13): 1, hc, Bennett, even mkd., grand length, beautiful shape, on strong lines, feathered like glass, stands correct, rich level col., shown well; 2, Hirst, cl., rare length, beautiful qual., rather short tail, good stock bird; 3, Walsh, cl., hot col., nice style and qual., rare wing carr.; 4, Beaumont, cl., beautiful type, silky feather, short of col.; vhc, Ogden Bros.; c, F. Self. CL. OR. TKD. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Casey, cl., grand length, beautifully shaped head, full neck, round body, sound rich col, wings and tail perfect, A1 pos., gem; 2, Priestley, cl., plenty of length, lovely shape and style, not quite as tight; 3, Bennett, tkd., correct size, neat wings and tail, hot col., shows well; 4, Drake, cl., beautiful qual., very stylish, only beaten in length; vhc, Saegar; hc, Lingard; c, Ogden Bros. BUFF (11): Good class: 1, Ogden Bros., tkd., beautiful shape, plenty of length, fine silky feather, stands correct, wings and tail well placed, noted winner, looking well; 2, Hill, cl., grand length, rich col., feathered like glass, A1 pos.; 3, Whiterham, cl., very stylish, silky feather, sound cond., level col.; 4, Stobart, cl., slim and typical, hot col., best of legs; vhc, Dykes; hc, Towers; c, Sheard. UNFLIG. HEN (8): 1, Hirst, var. yell., not as long as some, but for shape and type unbeatable, grand head, neck, wings, and tail correct, rich col., A1 pos.; 2, F. Self, tkd. buff, nice length, grand style, full of nerve, stands well up; 3, Dykes, cl. yell., long, nicely built, rich col., wings and tail correct; 4, Ogden Bros., cl. buff, rare shape and style, boxy feather, neat wing carr.; vhc, Crabtree; hc, Priestley; c, Snead. GR. MKD. YELL. (7): 1, Dykes, even mkd., wonderful length, rich col., long flights, stands like a guardsman, head, neck, wings and tail perfect, fine cond., noted winner; 2, Hall, var., plenty of length, hot col., correct shape, not as good in front; 3, Drake, uneven mkd., very slim and stylish, hot col., loses in length; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, even mkd., beautiful qual. and shape, wings and tail well placed; vhc, Morrison; hc, Bennett; c, c, Walsh. BUFF (6): 1, Robertshaw, even mkd., plenty of length, excels in qual., rich hot col., grand head, well filled neck, wings and tail correct, A1 pos.; 2, Thomas, uneven mkd., very long and slim, silky feather, stands correct; 3, Dykes, wonderful length, feathered like glass, wings and tail well braced; 4, Robertshaw, var., hot col., stylish, wedge shape, pipe tail; vhc, Morrison; hc, Hartley. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Sheard, even mkd., correct size, grand shape, feathered like glass, fine silky feathered, on best of legs, rather pale, nice wing carr.; 2, Towers, mkd. head and wings, lovely qual., rich col., beautiful shape and style; 3, Priestley, var., hot col., very stylish, neat wings and tail, rather less; 4, Casey, uneven mkd., lovely qual. and style, well fitting wings, pipe tail; vhc, Morrison; hc, Dykes; c, Walsh. BUFF (6): 1, Robertshaw, even mkd., grand length, silky feather, nice round head, full neck, back and wings perfect, sound col., correct pos., gem; 2, Towers, var., plenty of length, feathered like glass, wings and tail well placed; 3, Dykes, even mkd., beautiful shape and style, lovely qual., only beaten in length, close up; 4, Sheard, even mkd., rather thicker made, silky feather, nice style; vhc, Hartley. NOV. (LIMIT £5 5s.) CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (12): 1, Mitchell, cl., correct length, rich level col., beautiful qual., grand head, neck and back, wings and tail well placed, A1 pos.; 2, Farnish, cl., plenty of length, long flights, neat wings, not as tight in front; 3, Symes, cl., wonderful length, fine silky feather, grand stock bird; 4, Wilman, cl., very long and stylish, level col., stands well up; vhc, c, Fisher and Dyson; hc, Hanson. BUFF (12): 1, Fisher and Dyson, tkd., grand length, hot col., boxy feather like wax, nice head, full neck, stands correct on best of legs, shown well; 2, E. Self, tkd., beautiful shape and style, on stout lines, rare wing carr.; 3, Stansfield, tkd., racy, lovely pos., neat wings and tail, loses in head; 4, Scaife, tkd., long and stylish, nice qual.; vhc, Hanson; hc, Naylor, jun.; c, Farnish. GREEN MK. (12): 1, Studd, even mkd. buff, not as long as some, but for type and qual. unbeatable, beautiful head, neck, and wings, sound in col., fine cond.; 2, Sharpe, even mkd. buff, feathered like wax, lovely shape and style, close up; 3, Smith, var. yell., long, slim, and typical, stands well up, just a bit raky; 4, Sugden, even mkd. buff, fine boxy feather, nice length, fails in pos.; vhc, Harney; hc, Stansfield; c, Dibb. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, Ackroyd, tkd., plenty of length, and very slim, fine feather, good head, shoulders, back, and wings, nicely drawn, level col.; 2, Crowther, cl., very long and stylish, silky feather; 3, Sharp and Son, uneven mkd., lovely shape and style, neat wings and tail; 4, Wilman, cl., nice length, rich col., A1 pos.; vhc, Sharpe; hc, Stansfield; c, Spencer and Maiden. BUFF (12): 1, Allatt, cl., wonderful length, grand head, well filled up all round, fine boxy feather, stands well up on good legs, nicely benched; 2, Salt, cl., nice length and style, neat wings and tail, lacks bloom; 3, 4, Fisher and Dyson, wing tkd., beautiful qual., very stylish, less, 4 tkd., nice length, very slim for a buff, wings and tail well placed; vhc, Wilman; hc, Trevenar; c, Firth. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN (13): 1, Ackroyd cl., correct length, nice shaped head, rich col., feather very silky, wings and tail perfect, stands well on best of legs, fine cond.; 2, Firth, cinn. mkd., hot in col., very long and stylish, grand stock hen; 3, 4, Dibb, tkd., rare length, slim and typical, level col., good wing carr., 4 var., nice shape, neat wings and tail, rather slack in feather; vhc, Collins Bros.; hc, Ratcliffe; c, Mitchell. BUFF (14): 1, 2, Fisher and Dyson, cl., grand length, fine silky feather, well braced wings and tail, mealy col., beautiful pos., fine cond., 2 tkd., beautiful qual., stands well up, shows well; 3, Sharpe, cl., unbeatable for style and qual., only loses in length; 4, Barker, tkd., very stylish, feathered like glass, not as long; vhc, Symes; hc, Smith; c, Dibb. UNFLIG. HEN (11): 1, Sharpe, cl. yell., very slim aud racy, beautiful qual., rich level col., nice head, wings, and tail, A1 pos., shown in best cond.; 2 Bower, cl. yell., grand shape, rather on stout side, neat wing carr.; 3, Salt, cl. buff, stylish, sound cond., good wing carr., pipe tail; 4, Sharp and Son, var. yell., slim and typical, wings and tail well placed; vhc, Ackroyd; hc, Allatt; c, Fisher and Dyson. NOR. CK. (9): 1, 2, 3, Kaberry, tkd. buff, beautiful shape, plenty of subs., rich tone of col., grand head, bold breast, stands well across perch, 2 cl. yell., very big and nice col., lovely shaped head, not quite as bold in breast, 3 tkd. buff, grand shape, rich level col., stands well on perch, fine team; 4, vhc, c, Thomas, cl., yell., nice type, richly col., short of subs.; hc, Rolfe. HEN (7): 1, 2, 3, Thomas, wing tkd., correct type, teeming with qual., level col., head, breast, and back beautiful, nicely cut off, stands well, 2 cl. yell., rather short of subs., but nice shape and type, excels in chest, 3 tkd. buff, grand shape, well on perch, short of col.; 4, Cawthra, cl. buff, correct shape, nice head and breast, fine cond.; vhc, c, Kaberry; hc, Rolfe. OPEN, CINN. TKD. OR VAR. YELL. YKS. (8): 1, 4, vhc, c, Towers, wing tkd., noted winner, plenty of length, rich level col., grand head, full neck, nicely drawn wings and tail perfect, gem, 4 var., very slim and stylish, silky feather, neat wing carr., shade less; 2, Bennett, uneven mkd., very long and typical, beautiful qual., rich col.; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, uneven mkd., plenty of length, good shape and style, fine cond.; hc, Thomas. BUFF (6): 1, Bennett, uneven mkd., grand length, feathered like wax, stands correct, lovely shaped head, wings and tail perfect, shown in best cond.; 2, Ogden Bros., even mkd., beautiful qual., nice shape, rather stout, neat wings and tail; 3, Towers, excels in qual., grand head, wings, and tail, nicely drawn; 4, hc, Atkinson and Firth, long and stylish, neat wings and tail; vhc, Hartley. CINN. TKD. OR VAR. BUFF HEN (6): 1, Whitwham, even mkd., grand length, feathered like silk, rich sound col., nice head, back, and wings, pipe tail, A1 pos.; 2, Morrison, var., beautiful shape and style, neat wings and tail, fine cond.; 3, Thomas, uneven mkd., plenty of length, fine silky feather, beaten in pos.; 4, Casey, even mkd., lovely qual., rich col., very stylish, shade less; vhc, Towers; hc, Atkinson and Firth. NOV. (LIMIT £5 5s.) CINN TKD. OR VAR. YKS. CK. (7): 1, 2, 3, Harney, fine team; 1 tkd. yell., wonderful length, slim and stylish, fine silky feather, rich col., rare wing carr., 2 uneven mkd. buff, lovely shape, boxy feather, wings and tail correct; 3 var. yell., rather stout, fine silky feather, hot col., not as straight as leaders; 4, vhc, Baker Bros., very stylish, neat wings and tail; hc, c, Bushby. HEN (9): 1, c, Sharpe, yell., grand length, very tightly feathered, nice shaped head, well braced wings and tail, stands correct on best of legs; 2, Harney, even mkd., beautiful shape and style, rich col., A1 pos.; 3, Baker Bros., uneven mkd., very stylish, fine silky feather; 4, vhc, Studd, nice length, rare carr.; hc, Bushby.

ELGIN.

Fifth annual show of Elgin C.B.A., Corn Market Hall—a successful show in every respect. Although entries showed a decrease on last year, quality was splendid and competition was keen all over. The silver cup for best hybrid or British was won by Mr. J. D. Hird, for the sixth year in succession. The arrangements, which were excellent, were carried out by Mr. A. W. Douglas, Bishopmill, sec., and an enthusiastic committee. Judges were:—Canaries, J. Winter, Edinburgh; Hyb., Brit., and For., F. A. Watt, Banff. The surplus funds from the show were to be given in aid of the National Relief Fund.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Craigen; 2, Hird. HEN: 1, 2, Allison. BUFF CK.: 1, Hendry; 2, Allison. HEN: 1, Mackie; 2, Craigen. VARIEG. CK.: 1, 2, Allison. HEN: 1, Ironside; 2, Hendry. PAIR: 1, Goodall; 2, Grant. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 2, Allison. HEN: 1, 2, Allison. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (NAT. COL.): 1, Allison; 2, Mackie. HEN: 1, Mackie; 2, Duncan Ross. BUFF CK.: 1, Garden and Junner; 2, Grant. HEN: 1, Grigor; 2, Maclean. VARIEG. CK.: 1, Ironside; 2, Garden and Junner. HEN: 1, Goodall; 2, Hird. GR. OR FOUL: 1, Ironside; 2, Geo. Grant. CREST: 1, Todd; 2, Shand. C.B.: 1, 2, Craigen. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Harcombe; 2, Connachie. BUFF: 1, Harcombe; 2, Harcombe. A.O.C.: 1, Blackie; 2, Harcombe. A.O.V. Gentleman. A.O.C.: 1, Blackie; 2, Harcombe. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Todd; 2, Ross. NOV. NOR.: 1, Junner; 2, Cameron. BRIT OR LIGHT CAN. HYB.: 1, Mackie; 2, Hird. DK. CAN.: 1, Hird; 2, Duncan. GOLDF.: 1, Gentleman; 2, Harcombe. BULLF. CK.: 1, 2, Martin. HEN: 1, Gentleman; 2, Goodall. GREENF.: 1, Gentleman; 2, Parker. LINNET OR TWITE: 1, Gentleman; 2, Parker. SISKIN OR REDPOLL: 1, Gentleman; 2, Hird. SISKIN OR REDPOLL: 1, Gentleman; 2, Ritchie. A.O. BRIT. SMALL: 1, Mackie; 2, Gentleman. LARGE: 1, Duncan; 2, Parker. MATCHED PAIR: 1, Gentleman; 2, Clunas. FOR. SMALL: 1, Mrs. Christie; 2, Hird. LARGE: 1, 2, M'Arthur. GIFT: 1, Mackie; 2, Hird. JUVENILE A.V.: 1, Grant; 2, Miss A. Ross. Cup, most points, cup best Grant; 2, Miss A. Ross. Cup, most points, cup best Can., W. Allison; medal second best, D. Craigen; cup for best hyb. or Brit., Hird; medal second best, Mackie; rose bowl best member's Nor., Goodall; medal, runner-up, Craigen; best unflig. member's Nor., bred by exhibitor, Wattie; runner-up, Grant; cup best Bord., Blackie; medal second best, Harcombe; medal best Lesser Redpoll, Ritchie.

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LLANELLY.

Annual Open Show of the Llanelly C.B.S., Jan. 12. In the fine Market Hall, a spacious building, well suited for a big show. Entries were hardly up to the grand totals of previous years, the falling off being mostly noticeable in the Canary sections. The British are mostly kept locally, consequently there was once more a very fine display, the Goldfinch, Linnet and Bullfinch classes being something exceptional. Mr. Richards, of Narberth, held the three trump cards in the house-moulted Goldie class, his fine exhibits coming in for a lot of attention. The F.-M. Linnet class was a stormer, the judge having 25 to select from, and there was not much to choose between the first half dozen. Borders were a very nice lot, classes filling capitally. Mr. Harvey won the S.B.F.C. diploma for best in section with a charming yell. cock. The entries in Canary section unfortunately did not come up to expectations, and really we think, considering the classification offered, the Society deserve better support. Only 130 entries in 23 classes are a poor response to a good classification; some notable winners were staged, however.

The management of show was once more in the capable hands of Mr. D. John, who, as usual, had everything in correct order. He was ably assisted by Mr. Webster, Assist. Sec., Messrs. Gregory, Evans, Harvey, Gregory, senr., Jones, Thomas Lewis, Jenkins, Hamilton, McDonnell, Crawford, etc. Mr. H. Norman judged Borders and British, and Mr. J. Robson the remainder. The Chairman, Councillor D. R. Jones, who is at the front, sent enquiries respecting the show, and best wishes for its success.

BORD., YELL. CK. (12): 1, Harry, fine size and type, beautifully packed all round, tightly fitting wings, sound, rich col., A1 cond.; 2, Madagan, very smart and jaunty, nicely proportioned, neat head and neck, capital cond.; 3, Jenkins, sweetly moulded, neat bead, well filled all rouud, capital wings, A1 cond.; 4, vbc, Pratt, very typical, good head and neck, neat well braced wings, scarcely so full of bloom; hc, Macdonnell; c, Sampson. BUFF (11): 1, Jenkins, sweetly moulded and balanced, grand head, good back and wings, full of bloom, A1 cond.; 2, Madagan, quite equal on points, scarcely the polish and soundness of col. of winner, but still a good one; 3, Preece, capital type and style, neat head, good wings and tail, A1 cond.; 4, hc, Pratt, grand bird, nicely moulded and packed, A1 qual.; vhc, Harry; hc, Macdonnell. YELL. BEN (13): 1, Madagan, sweetly moulded and filled in all round, good head, back and wings, nicely cut away; 2, Macdonnell, beauty for type and style, cleanly cut, grand wings and tail, smooth as a bottle; 3, Harry, smart and jaunty, nicely modelled, neat head and wing, A1 qual.; 4, Pratt, very smart jaunty lady, scarcely so nicely filled in at back, still a grand hen; vhc, Preece; hc, Sampson; c, Wiseman. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Jenkins, beauties, grand type and style, lovely head and neck, A1 wing carr., beautifully cut away, best of cond., little between them; 3, 4, Pratt, another smart pair, typical and beautifully balanced, nicely moulded and filled in, grand wings, A1 cond.; vhc, Harry; hc, Wiseman; c, Madagan. UNEVEN (7): 1, 3, 4, Jenkins, grand cinn.-mkd., sweetly moulded, neat head, well filled back, best of wings, a little gem, 3 wing and neck mkd., grand type, nice jaunty style, grand wings and tail, fine coud., 4 the well-known cinn.-mkd., a grand bird, but not at her best to-day; 2, Burton Bros., lovely wings and head mkd., fine type and style, beautifully balanced, grand wings, in fine fettle; vhc, Harry; hc, Pratt; c, Lambert. GREEN, ETC. (6): 1, Wiseman, magnificent green, lovely type and style, grand wings, beautifully pencilled throughout, sound rich col., fine condition; 2, Jenkins, another beauty, typical and well filled in, sound rich col., hardly the finish of winner; 3, vhc, Evans, fine sound rich col., typical and smart, fails a bit in pencillings, still a good one; 4, Jones, typical Cinn., capital head and wings, sound col. NOV. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 3, Mrs. Taylor, lovely variegated, pure size and type, well filled in all round, grand head, the best of wings, real good one, 3 another beauty, lovely style and type, sound cond.; 2, Lambert, capital style, nice free movement, neat cut away, fine wings and tail, A1 cond.; 4, vhc, Evans, good head and wings, sound qual.; hc, Humphries; c, Gregory and Davies. BEN (7): 1, 2, Humphries, charming damsels, leader buff, typical A1 qual., 2 beauty for type, hardly so tightly packed; 3, Hoddinott, good buff, nice jaunty style, neat head and neck, grand wings and tail; 4, Unwin, charming yell. sound, typical, neat head, fine cond.; vhc, Davies; hc, Thomas; c, Mrs. Taylor. DK. CAN. HYB. (3): 1, Hoskin, Dk. Linnet-Can., nice size and shape, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Rees, another Linnet-Can., good type and qual., hardly so large as leader. HYB. HEN (5): 1, Ball, very fine Green.-Bullf., capital size and type, sound, rich col., in best of cond.; 2, Edwards, nice Redpoll-Green., grand size and style, richly mkd., good col. and qual.; 3, Evans, capital variegated Goldf.-Can., fine size, nice type and style, A1 cond.; 4, Sampson, good Siskin-Can., nicely mkd. throughout, capital shape, tight as wax; vhc, Gregory. GOLDF. (13): 1, 2, 3, Richards, wonderful team, leader, grand square cut, expansive blaze of brilliant col., fine size, good wings, beautifully buttoned, 2, similar, hardly so rich in face, but beautifully tanned, 3, very fine blaze, square cut and deep, richly tanned, fine wings, all put down in the pink; 4, Jones, jun., not far behind, capital, expansive blaze, hardly the finish of winners, but, still a good one; vhc, Wootton, hc, Jeffreys; c, Lewis. F.M. (18): 1, 2, Jeffreys, two bonnie birds, grand size and shape, both wonderfully rich, full fronts, well up in tanning, capital wings, well buttoned and carried, in perfect fettle; 3, Pitchford, hardly the finish and style of winners, but otherwise little behind them, grand blaze, well up in col., good wings; 4, James, deeply, smart and well finished, fine size, good bold face, perfect wing, beautifully buttoned, in fine fettle; vhc Edwards, hc, Copp, c, Lewis. BULLF. (14): 1, James, model for type and style, good head and neck, fine bold front, wide shoulders, richly col., nice silvery back, A1 wings, in the pink; 2, c, Chick, big, bold bird, good cap, nice front, deep, sound col., very fine cond.; 3, vhc, Jones, fine size and type, nicely moulded and filled in, grand col., in fine fettle; 4, Paterson, scarcely the finish, but good bold bird, with grand cap and bib, sound col.; hc, Mays. HEN (5): 1, Jones, beauty for type and style, real Bullie front, good cap, nice wide skull, sound, rich col. throughout, capital wings; 2, Rees, good type, neat, well formed cap and bib, richly coloured front, grand wings; 3, Chick, full fronted, good cap, sound, deep col., good back and wings; 4, James, neat, nicely formed and most excellent col., sound cond.; vhc, Holborrow. HAWF. (7): 1, Oliver, magnificent size, richly coloured throughout, good bold head, fine wings, put down in best possible cond.; 2, Miss Wishaw, lovely hen, fine size and style, very shapely, bold bird, grand col. for a lady, very high cond.; 3, Thomas, big, full headed bird, grand, bold front, good, well cut bib, sound in col. and qual.; 4, Ray, nicely proportioned, good bib; vhc, Jones; hc, Ford; c, Mays. LINNET (7): 1, Richards, grand size and style, nicely proportioned, sound, rich col., beautifully pencilled throughout, very fine cond.; 2, Nicholas, lovely type and style, sound, rich col. throughout, fails a bit in work, best possible cond.; 3, Jones, bold fronted, quite Norwich type, full of work, hardly the col. of winners nor so full of bloom, still, a good one; 4, Mrs. Dalton, nice size and style, richly pencilled, fine cond.; vhc, Lewis; hc, Cole; c, Pitchford. F.M. (25): 1, Lewis, fine size and type, good bold front, full of work throughout, grand col., in the pink; 2, Pitchford, another good one, fine size and type, grand style, sound, rich col., nicely mkd., well put down; 3, James, bold fronted bird, rich col. and well pencilled, good size, nice cond.; 4, Nicholas, capital type and style, scarcely the col. of winner, but beautifully pencilled; vbc, Jeffreys; bc, Bowen; c, Mrs. Dalton. GREENF. (11): 1, Holborrow, bonny bird, not over big, but shapely, well proportioned, bit dark in col., but put down in the best pos. cond.; 2, c, Jeffreys, beautifully proportioned, neat, full head, good bold front, rare qual. feather; 3, Jones, fine type and style, very rich col. throughout, capital wings; 4, James, similar, fine shape and style, well proportioned, scarcely so rich in col., fine cond.; vhc, Gregory; bc, Davies. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (12): 1, Heal, very fine Bramble, good size and shape, sound, rich expansive chestnut, beautifully spangled, lovely cond.; 2, c, Mays, grand Chaffinch, fine size and type, good bold front, nice cap, rich col., sound wings; 3, Davies, good Bramble, scarcely so rich in col. as winner, but otherwise equal, lovely cond.; 4, Jeffreys, good Chaffinch, big, bold bird, sound col., very fine wings, A1 qual.; vhc, Nicholas; hc, Mrs. Dalton. YELLOW BUNTING (16): 1, 4, Mrs. Dalton, grand size and style, leader a real topper, beautifully mkd., richly spangled, sound, rich col. throughout, in the pink, 4, fine bold fronted bird, but not the cond. of winner; 2, James, shapely and bold, sound, rich col., scarcely so nicely marked as winner, but lovely cond.; 3, Jeffreys, nicely proportioned, rich col., well mkd; vhc, Gregory; hc, Ford. REDPOLL, F.M. (7): 1, Ford, grand size and style, nice bold front, good bib, sound col. and pencilling; 2, Jones, hardly so bold as winner, but nicely balanced, sound col., well up in spangling; 3, 4, Jeffreys, all there for qual. and col., beautifully pencilled, 4, fine size, rich col., one of the best, but too wild at present; vhc, Nicholas; hc, Davies; c, Ray. H.M. (11): 1, Miss Wishaw, grand size and shape, richly col., beautifully pencilled, A1 condition; 2, Ford, big-headed bird, fine size, nicely mkd., sound, rich col. throughout, very nice qual.; 3, Heal, nice size and style, hardly the finish of winners, but sound in col.; 4, Lewis, not the size of some, but lovely col., and well pencilled; vhc, James; hc, Jones; c, Jeffreys. SISKIN (7): 1, Mrs. Dalton, very smart, grand size, and style, beautifully laced, neat cap and bib, very fine col., in the pink; 2, Bullock, beauty, close up, grand cap, even better than winner, but scarcely so well laced, A1 col., best of fettle; 3, Jones, smaller, but very nice, shapely, good cap, well laced, capital col.; 4, Crabb, similar, but scarcely so richly mkd., lovely cond.; vhc, Lloyd; hc, c, Gregory. A.O.S. (6): 1, 2, vhc, Jones, grand Corn Bunting leading, wonderful size, full of work and col., as tight as wax, 2 lovely Cirl, shapely, rich col. and markings, in the pink; 3, Thomas, very pure Corn, just beaten in polish; 4, May, good Snow Bunting, nice size and shape, well mkd. HEN (6): 1, Heal, very fine bold Corn Bunting, beauty for size and shape, grand col. and nicely mkd.; 2, James, charming Bramble, grand size, nicely proportioned, sound col., lovely cond.; 3, Davies, very fine Linnet, grand size and type, sound col. and pencilling, A1 cond.; 4, Chick, good Yellow Bunting, nice size, good col., beautifully spangled; vhc, Bullock. INSECTIV. (5): 1, Mays, lovely Tree Creeper, a charming exhibit, the best of cond.; 2, 4, Crawford, very fine Bearded Tit, good size, richly coloured, splendidly mkd., tight as wax, 4 grand Fieldfare, nice size and shape, beautifully mkd., fine col.; 3, vhc, Jones, fine bold Chough, nice size, rich deep col., in very fine cond. ALBINO (6): 1, 2, 3, Miss Wishaw, charming trio of Cinn. Redpoll, White Robin and Light Redpoll, in order named, nicely shown, in good cond. NOR., CL. OR TKD YELL. (4): 1, Stubbs Bros., cl., gem, grand rich col., neatly rounded head, perfect shape and cond.; 2, Jenkins, hardly as shapely as leader, good head and neck, grand col., qual. and cond.; 3, Dr. Woods, cl., good size and shape, neat head and neck, hardly as good col. or cond. as leaders; 4, Slee. BUFF (8): 1, Dr. Woods, grand type and qual., nice full head and neck, compact wings and tail, well rounded chest, trifle heavy behind, his only fault; 2, Weeks, cl., good qual. and cond., good head and neck, loses subs. to leader; 3, Addison, cl., well braced wings, neat tail, good body; 4, Greaves and Richards, non-fed, very shapely, grand qual., hardly as good head properties as leaders; vhc, c, Llewellyn; hc, Davies. MKD. OR VARIEG. (6): 1, Stubbs Bros., var. yell., blaze of col., nicely moulded, correct wings and tail, good size and qual.; 2, Maggs, var. yell., grand size and shape, hardly richness of col. of leader, and inclined to crouch when handled, still a good one; 3, Davies, foul gr., grand size and shape, lovely feather and cond.; 4, vhc, Hitchings; hc, S. Jones, jun. HEN (12): 1, Dr. Woods, cl. yell., grand size and shape, nice full head and neck, perfect wings, well moulded; 2, Slee, cl. yell., good level col., well balanced wings and tail, hardly head properties of leader; 3, Llewellyn, var. yell., nice col. and qual., 4, hc, D. Davies, var. yell., nice shape, lovely qual., hardly size of leaders; vhc, Lewis; c, Jones, jun. UNFLIG. (12): 1, c, Dr. Woods, c buff, grand size, col. and qual., neat round head, good full neck, perfect wing carr., tip-top order; 2, Maggs, cl. buff, close up, good size, nice full chest, neat head and neck, well cut behind, nice pos., col. and qual.; 3, 4, Stubbs Bros., buff leading, grand exhibit, neat head, well moulded, crosses wings a trifle at times, latter yell., a real blaze of col., very shapely, a trifle loose owing to the cold, still a beauty; vhc, D. Davies; hc, W. Davies. HEN (14): 1, 3, Stubbs, leader buff, immense size, perfect wings and tail, could be a bit better cut behind, 3 wing-mkd. yell., very shapely, grand col. and qual., in perfect order; 2, Dr. Wilson, var. buff, nice size and shape, perfect wings and tail, a real good one; 4, Addison, eye and wing mkd. yell., very shapely, lovely bloom; vhc, S. Jones, jun.; hc, D. Davies; c, Hitchings. NOV. (7): 1, D. Davies, cl. buff, very shapely, neat bead, wings and tail, put down in A1 order; 2, Slee, var., good col. and qual., hardly as nicely moulded as leader; 3, Williams, cl. buff, good size and shape, nice col. and qual., staged in too low a cage to show properly; 4, McDonnell, cl. buff, smaller, nicely feathered; vhc, Lewis; hc, Williams; c, Morgans. YORKS., YELL. (7): 1, Thompson, real gem, grand col., perfect feather, beautifully moulded, correct wings, tail, and pos., grand leg; 2, Dykes, another cl., grand length, lovely type and qual., hardly so nicely rounded head as leader; 3, Dugmore, grizzle mkd., hardly the depth of col., beautifully moulded, good shoulders, correct wings and tail, stands well; 4, Weeks, cl. yell., nice length and pos., wanted a tubbing; vbc, Harry; hc, Webster; c, Howard. BUFF (6): 1, Dykes, cl., grand length, nicely rounded bead, good shoulders, well balanced wings and tail, stands well; 2, Wooton, tkd., hardly length of leader, neat bead and neck, good wings and tail, well up on leg; 3, Weeks, cl., grand length, nicely moulded, good wings and tail; 4, Howard, tkd., correct type, nice pos., hardly length of leaders, lovely qual. and col.; vhc, Everett; hc, John. VARIEG. (6): 1, Dykes, yell., a beauty, lovely col. and qual., nicely rounded head on good shoulders, grand wings, tail and shape, full of nerve; 2, Wooton, another yell., close up, grand length, good col. and qual., well fitting wings, nice style, hardly as tightly feathered as leader; 3, Weeks, buff, very neat head, good shoulders, nice col. and qual., stands well; 4, Dugmore, buff, splendid length, correct type, seemed a trifle out of cond.; vhc, Owen; bc, Ford. HEN (8): 1, Weeks, cl. buff, grand lady, lovely length and nerve, good head, nice straight back, well braced wings, well up on leg; 2, Owen, tkd., good col. and qual., nicely moulded, neat wings and tail, very nervy; 3, Williams, cl. buff, hardly length of leaders, lovely col. and qual., correct type, stands well on leg; 4, Morgan and Phillips, var. yell., good col., nice type, good pos., hardly qual. of leaders; vbc, Thompson; bc, Howard; c, Ford. UNFLIG. (9): 1, Thompson, cl. yell., feathered like wax, perfect length, neat head, good straight back, best of wings, stands well; 2, Dykes, cl. yell., blaze of col., correct type, lovely length and qual., stands well; 3, Harry, cl. buff, good feather, nice type, neat wings and tail, grand pos.; 4, Wooton, grizzle-mkd. buff, hardly length leaders, grand type and qual., full of nerve; vhc, Parker; hc, Dugmore; c, Howard. HEN (7): 1, 3, Harry, cl. buff leading, beautiful feather, neat head and neck, good shoulders, nice straight back, close fitting wings, well up on leg; 2, var. yell., good col. and qual., nice length, good pos., full of nerve; 2, Dykes, cl. buff, close up, grand type and qual., nice length and pos., seemed a trific chilled when we saw her; 4, Dugmore, cl. yell., nice col. and qual., good head, nice straight back, stands well; vbc, Thompson; hc, c, Owens. NOV. (8): 1, 2, 3, T. J. Williams, cl. buff, cl. yell. and var. buff, nice trio of correct type, col. and qual., well placed; 4, vhc, Dicks, cl. yell., nice length, col. and qual., trifle flat on head; hc, c, Thomas. LOCAL, NOR. (5): 1, 2, S. Jones, jun., cl. yell. leading, nice size and shape, good col. and qual., 2 cl. buff, correct type, put down well; 3, vhc, Hamilton Davies, cl. buff, good col. and qual., hardly size leader; 4, Lewis. YORKS. (6): 1, Harry, cl. buff, nice length, good col. and qual., stands well on leg; 2, Phillips, cl. yell., nice col. and qual., correct type; 3, Morgan and Pbillips, cl. yell., neat head and neck, good length and nerve; 4, vhc, hc, Owen, grizzle-mkd. yell., lovely col. and qual., nice length, good wings and tail. A.O.V. (6): 1, c, Harry, cl. yell. Bord., perfect feather, grand col., shape and cond.; 2, Phillips, var. C.B., good qual.; 3, vhc, Davies, yell. Bord., correct type and qual., hardly col. of leader; 4, hc, Davies. MULE (8): 1, Macdonnell, dk. jonque Goldie, nice size and shape, good blaze, col. and qual.; 2, Reynolds, var. Goldie, good size and shape, nicely put down; 3, vhc, Jenkins, var. Goldie, neat exhibit; 4, S. Jones, junr., dk. buff Sis.-Can.; bc, Hosken; c, Cole. BRIT. (7): 1, 3, 4, c, S. Jones, junr., buff Siskin and Goldf., neat exhibits, well put down; 2, Crawford, Waxwing, a grand exhibit, had few feathers out of place, which no doubt kept him out to-day, hard lines; vbc, Lewis; hc, Davies. SELL., 15s. (11): 1, Jenkins; 2, Lewis; 3, Davies; 4, Edwards; vhc, Thomas; hc, Morgans and Phillips; c, Owen.

PONTYPRIDD.

Cage birds at the show of the Pontypridd F. and F.S. on Jan. 6, were very nicely staged in a large comfortable room at the Victoria Hotel, away from the rest of the show, and made a good display, the entry totalling 176, an increase on last year's figures. Of the quality we cannot speak too highly. In no part of the country has the cage bird fancy made more rapid strides during the last few years than in South Wales, not so much in an increased number of breeders as in the improved quality of the stock, and this improvement was strongly reflected here, especially in the Norwich and British sections. For a long time it was a moot question as to whether the show would be held this season or not, but having decided to run it, and for the benefit of the Red Cross Fund, the committee went to work with a will, and a good response was received. The committee were very zealous, and right well did they do their work. Mr. A. A. Gordon McLucas long ago won his spurs as a secretary, and he is as energetic and obliging as ever. Mr. C. A. House judged.

NOR. YELL. (6): 1, hc, Greeves and Richards, smart variegated, grand col., lovely feather, nice shape and style; 2, Sam Jones, jun., grand bodied cl., nice col. and feather; 3, Brown, shapely grizzle capped, nice col., shows well, hardly the qual. of feather; r, Tedstone; vhc, W. Davies. BUFF (10): 1, 2, sp, Greeves and Richards, gem of a cl., rare col., beautifully frosted, grand qual., rare shape and style, nicely finished, 2 very smart cl., not so hot, grand body; 3, Brown, rather longer in tail, nice col. and qual., well shown; res, W. Davies; vhc, Thompson; hc, Mrs. Weeks; c, Tedstone. HEN (9): 1, Tedstone, good bold cl. yell., grand head and chest, lovely feather, sound even col., in grand trim; 2, vhc, hc, Greeves and Richards, very typical cl. buff, lovely feather, grand style, bit pale in col.; 3, W. Davies, very hot grizzled cap and wings; r, Thompson; c, G. T. Jones. UNFLIG. (14): 1, sp, over Yorks., Mrs. Weeks, sweet yell., rare shape and style, lovely rich even col., fine silky feather, in nice form; 2, r, vhc, Greeves and Richards, grand bodied buff, rare feather, nice col. and meal; 3, Tedstone, very hot yell., good shape and style, not so fine in feather; hc, c, W. Davies. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, Weeks, smart, sleek, upstanding cl., lovely feather, grand legs, wings, and tail; 2, withheld; 3, D. Brown, long and stylish, not so shapely; r, Curtis and Son; vhc, Everett. BUFF (5): 1, withheld; 2, Weeks; 3, Curtis and Son; r, Everett; vhc, D. Brown; abs., Wotton. HEN (4): 1, Everett, very neat, shapely yell., fine feather, nice col., grand style; 2, Deere, cinn.-mkd. buff, full of qual. and style, grand shape, nice col.; 3, W. J. Lewis, grand shaped buff, lovely feather, not so neat in wing carr.; r, Weeks. UNFLIG. (16): 1, 3, sp, Harding, clinking yell., fine bead, neck, and shoulders, rare wings and tail, full of qual and style, 3 long, racy, stylish yell., capital wings and tail, good legs, hardly so neat in front; 2, D. Brown, neat, finely feathered buff, plenty of style and swagger, grand wing and tail carr., in rare form; r, J. S. Jones; vhc, Everett; hc, Brown; c, Curtis and Son. A.O.V. (6): 1, 3, r, hc, G. Edwards, variegated, Crest, grand symmetrical headpiece, densely feathered, well centred, and neatly radiated, 3 good, stout headed variegated, capital shape, and plenty of feather; 2, A. B. Brown, beautifully fed yell. Cinn., lovely qual., grand style; vhc, Muscott. NOV. (16): 1, sp, D. Brown, buff Yorks. hen, a little picture, as tight as wax wings and tail very tightly braced, grand head, full of style and qual.; 2, 3, Wm. Williams, yellow and buff Nor., two grand shaped birds, nice even col., full of qual., good wings and tail, nice fronts; r, W. J. Lewis; vhc, Mrs. Rendle; hc, Escott and James; c, J. H. Bevan. MULES (5): 1, 3, Ball, very handsome Can.-Bullf., lovely col. and feather, nice shape, 3, very pretty Can.-Greenf., variegated, rare feather; 2, D. Edwards, large, shapely, rich coloured, well mkd. Goldf.-Bullf.; r, Bees; vhc, Curtis and Son. GOLDF. (23): 1, ex. 3, Jeffreys, lovely rich blaze, neat collar, nice clear cheeks, capital body, bars, and buttons, ex. 3 most lovely bird for col. and markings, not quite so tight in feather; 2, sp, J. S. Jones, F.M., a clinker, wonderfully rich in col. all through, grandly mkd., rare feather; ex. 2, Greeves and Richards, grand face, collar, and cheeks, good buttons, not so tight in feather; 3, D. Edwards, a very smart Finch, grand shape and feather, good buttons and bars, hardly up in blaze; r, hc, W. E. Lewis; vhc, Davies Bros.; c, Escott and James. BULLF. (12): 1, 2, S. Jones, jun., lovely rich col., deep glossy caps, grand backs, capital wings, in the pink of cond., and very steady, 1 largest cap; 3, Caddy, grand shape and feather, good cap, not so rich in breast col., grand style; r, Price; vhc, Jeffreys; bc, Greeves and Richards; c, Hillman. LINNET (19): 1, sp best Brit., S. Jones, junr., a real gem, rare shape and size, lovely rich nutty brown tone of col., very cl. and distinct in marking, in the pink; 2, Mrs. Dalton, not so large, but wonderful col., markings, and feather, in rare form; 3, vhc, Nicholas, grand shape, col., and qual. of feather, not so distinctly mkd.; r, Price, another beauty, just failing in markings; hc, no name; c, Greeves and Richards. SISKIN, ETC. (4): 1, S. Jones, jun., very smart, well mkd., nice col. Siskin, but small; 2, withheld; 3, T. J. Lewis, nice shaped, well mkd. Redpoll, needs more col.; res, Jeffreys; vhc, Davies Bros. A.O. HARDBILL (6): 1, vhc, S. Jones, jun., finely mkd. Corn Bunting, rare shape and size, grand feather, in lovely trim; 2, Mrs. Dalton, beautifully mkd., nice col. yell. Bunting; 3, Greeves and Richards, very bonnie Chaffinch, capital col. and marking; r, Jeffreys; hc, Arnold. FOR. (8): 1, 3, res, Mrs. Longden, very handsome Pintailed Nonpareil, lovely col. and markings, in grand feather, 3 sweet little pair of Cordon Bleus, lovely feather and col., res, rattling good pair of Black-headed Gouldians; 2, c, Muscott, very handsome rich coloured well feathered Eclectus; vhc, E. Thomas; hc, Bees.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Meeting, Dec. 15, Mr. Gibbons presided over a large attendance. Several minor items were dealt with. Decided to hold Combined Charity Show early in the New Year. The usual Table Show was held, a large number of birds being staged. Mr. E. Noakes judged. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Sturgess; 2, Hulse; vhc, c, Pole; bc, Hale. BUFF: 1, 2, hc, Moores; 3, Pale; vhc, Hulse; c, Hale. NOV. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Jolley; 3, hc, Deacon; vhc, Brooks; c, Butler. BUFF: 1, 2, Jolley; 3, vhc, Brooks; hc Butler. LINNET: 1, Brooks; 2, Deacon; 3, Roberts.—A. Freestone, Sec.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET, PELTON FELL (Amal.)

First annual show, Nov. 7, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-St. Entries came up well, totalling 176. Norwich were not up to expectations as regards numbers, but quality was excellent. Yorks were well represented, some very good birds being staged. There was a capital entry of Borders and Crests, some of which will be heard of later, and a good muster of British. Mr. J. Riseborough, Sunderland, judged, getting through his work in grand style to the satisfaction of all.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Lindsay; 2, 3, Stanger. BUFF: 1, Stanger. HEN: 1, Stanger; 2, Wilford; 3, Elliot; vhc, hc, c, Lindsay. NOR. YELL., 1914: 1, 2, Stanger; 2, Redpath. BUFF: 1, 2, Stanger; 3, Lindsay. HEN: 1, Stanger; 2, 3, Lindsay. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Ward; 2, Stanger; 3, Harrison. BUFF: 1, 3, Ward; 2, Stanger; vhc, Harrison. HEN: 1, 2, Ward; 3, Stanger; vhc, Harrison. YORKS. YELL., 1914: 1, Stanger; 2, Ward. BUFF: 1, 2, Ward; 3, Stanger; vhc, Harrison. HEN: 1, 3, Ward; 2, Robinson; vhc, Stanger; hc, Walker. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Harrison. CREST CK.: 1, vhc, Coates; 2, 3, Bewicke. C.-B.: 1, 3, Bewicke; 2, Stanger. CREST OR C.-B. HEN: 1, Bewicke; 2, Stanger; 3, Coates. YELL. CREST OR C.-B., 1914: 1, Redpath; 2, Bewicke. BUFF: 1, 3, Bewicke; 2, Redpath. BUFF C.B., 1914: 1, 2, vhc, Redpath; 3, hc, Bewicke. CREST OR C.B. NOV.: 1, 2, Coates. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Dawson; 2, Bates; 3, Robinson; vhc, Cresswell; hc, Stanger; c, Redpath. BUFF: 1, Dawson; 2, Bates; 3, Stanger; vhc, Ward. YELL. BORD. HEN: 1, Dawson; 2, Stanger; 3, Bates; vhc, Elliott; hc, A. Parkin. BUFF: 1, Robinson; 2, Elliott; 3, Bates; vhc, hc, Cresswell; c, Bewicke. GR. OR FOUL BORD.: 1, Bates; 2, Robinson; 3, Cresswell. CINN. OR FOUL: 1, 2, Dawson; 3, Bates; vhc, Ward; hc, Stanger; c, Parkin. BORD. NOV.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Cresswell; 3, c, Parkin. A.O.V.: 1, Robinson; 2, Bewicke; 3, Walker. DK. MULE: 1, Stanger; 2, vhc, Lindsay; 3, hc, Elliott; c, Boyd. H.M. LINNET: 1, 2, hc, Davison; 3, c, Boyd; vhc, Dawson. F.M.: 1, Davison; 2, 3, Wilford; vhc, Lindsay. GOLDF.: 1, Davison; 2, Robinson; 3, Lindsay; vhc, Boyd. BULLF.: 1, Davison; 2, Robinson. GREENF.: 1, c, Lindsay; 2, Wilford; 3, Elliot; vhc, Davison; hc, Boyd. REDPOLL: 1, 3, Wilford; 2, Boyd; vhc, c, Ward; hc, Davison. SISKIN OR TWITE: 1, Dawson. BUNTING: 1, 3, Davison; 2, Lindsay; vhc, Wilford. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Davison. A.O. SEED-EATER: 1, Lindsay; 2, 3, Wilford; vhc, Dawson; hc, c, Davison. BRIT. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Davison; 2, Lindsay; hc, Boyd. FOREIGN: 1, Wilford.—R. Ward, Sec. Chester-le-St. C.B.S.

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GLASGOW.

Annual Show of the Glasgow and Western Counties C.B.S., Jan. 9, Good Templars' Halls, Ingrams Street. Entries came up well, particularly in British which were quite a show by themselves. Norwich were a fine lot with some very promising young birds. Borders contained some fine quality birds, and on the whole the entry was considered very satisfactory, totalling 300, a slight increase from last year. The sec., Mr. Jas. Macgowan, had all arrangements carried out in a businesslike manner, and was well supported by such capable fanciers as the veteran president, Mr. P. Pettigrew; vice-pres., Mr. T. Bannerman; committee, Mr. P. Campbell, Mr. John Liddell, Mr. James Findlay, Mr. James Dick, Mr. W. Munro, and Mr. J. Ballantyne; not a slacker among them, every one striving his best for the success of the show. Cup, best young Nor., J. Liddell; do., Bord., Findlay; do., Brit., Liddell; sp. most entries, Findlay; 2, Pettigrew; most points, Brit., Pettigrew. Judges were: Canaries, Mr. G. Arnott (Kirkcaldy); remainder, Mr. James Strachan (Bathgate), and their awards were well received.

NOR., YOUNG, YELL. CK.: 1, Liddell, good size, col., qual., and cond., fine head and neck, crosses at times; 2, Cross, short, cobby body, good qual. BUFF: 1, sp, best Plainhead, Liddell, tkd. head, fine size, col. and qual., rare head and neck, nice short flights and tail; 2, Dick, grizzled head, better size and subs., trifle narrow in entrance, fine short flights, carried well; 3, sp, Findlay, cl., fine size and subs.; 4, Campbell; 5, Dick; 6, Cross. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, 4, 5, Dick, 1st, head and wing mkd., rare size and subs., very fine qual. and col., good head and neck, A1 order; 2, 3, Liddell, 2nd, head and saddle mkd., fine head, neck, and subs., rich col. and qual., lacks size only; 3rd, good col. and qual., loses to others in size and subs.; 6, Campbell. BUFF: 1, 2, Liddell, 1st, rare head and neck, good qual. col., and cond.; 2nd, head and neck mkd., fine size and qual., beaten head; 3, sp, Campbell, saddle mkd., excellent qual. and col.; 4, Findlay; 5, 6, Dick. YELL. HEN: 1, Campbell, fine round head, thick neck, good qual. and size; 2, Dick, very fine qual. col. and cond. BUFF: 1, sp, Findlay, fine head and cheeks, rare short, cobby body, well mealed, good col. and cond.; 2, Dick, wet when we saw it, good size; 3, 4, Liddell; 3rd, excellent qual. and cond.; 5, Campbell; 6, Dick. VARIEG. YELL. HEN: 1, Liddell, head and wing mkd., nice size, qual., and col., bold head and front. BUFF: 1 Findlay, almost gr., rare size and subs., fine head, neck, and front, nice qual., col., and cond.; 2, Campbell, good subs., fine short flights and tail, A1 qual.; 3, Liddell, neck and wing mkd., fine qual. and cond., behind in size. NON-FED CK.: 1, Dick, yell. var., grand head and neck, rich col. and qual.; 2, 3, 4, Findlay; 2nd, cl. buff, splendid qual.; 3rd, buff var., fine cond. HEN: 1, 3, Liddell, 1st, cl. buff, grand size and subs., fine head, short cobby body, excellent qual. and cond.; 3, cl. buff, good head, size, and qual., nice order; 2, Dick, buff var., good subs., excellent qual.; 4, 5, sp, 6, Findlay. BORD., CK.: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Findlay, grand team, well put down; 1st, yell. tkd., wins cup, best Bord., little beauty and no mistake, Mr. Findlay took also all the awards in the rest of the Border classes. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Findlay, 1st, dark Linnet mule; 2nd, Siskin cross, both of good size, col., and cond. OLD BIRDS: NOR. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Findlay, fine head, neck, and front, good qual. and col., nice size; 2, Dick, rare size and subs., not so neat shape, splendid qual. and col.; 3, sp, Campbell, grand qual., col., and size; 4, Liddell; 5, sp, Dinwoodie; 6, Dick. BUFF: 1, Campbell, rare size and subs., rich qual., and col., grand head, neck, and front, well frosted fine cond., wins; 2, Dinwoodie, very fine qual., good size, could do with more front; 3, Liddell, nice style and cond. VARIEG. BUFF: 1, 3, Dick, 1st, fine size and subs., good qual. and col., grand head; 2, Campbell, rare subs., extra good qual., nice size, shade weak in head. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Campbell, excellent qual. and col., fine head, neck, and front, neat flights and tail, fine style; 2, 3, Findlay, 2nd, good qual. and col., bit too long in barrel; 3rd, better head and subs., damaged tail, or might have changed places; 4, sp, Dinwoodie; 5, Dick. BUFF: 1, sp, Findlay, grand size, fine head and cheeks, good qual. and cond.; 2, Campbell, very neat, cobby shape, fine head and front, good qual. and col., neat short flights and tail, little more size, and would be a champion; 3, Liddell, good qual. and size, drops a wing; 4, Dinwoodie. YELL VARIEG.: 1, Findlay, nice head and qual., good size and subs., grizzle mkd.; 2, Megowan, head and wing mkd., fine size, qual., col., and cond.; 3, Campbell, good head and qual., fine short body, thick neck, tails size only; 4, Dinwoodie. BUFF: 1, sp, Findlay, fine short cobby body, good head and neck, rare flights, carried well, medium size; 2, 3, Liddell; 2nd, head and wing mkd., good qual. and col., shade longer in body; 3, very fine qual., loses in head properties; 4, Campbell; 5, Cross. NON-FED CK.: 1, Liddell, cl. buff, good size, subs., and qual., fine style and cond.; 2, Macgowan, cl. yell., grand head and neck, rich qual.; 2, 4, 5, Findlay; 3rd, yell. var., good qual., fine showy bird; 6, Munro; 7, Bannerman, wet when judged. HEN: 1, Bannerman, cl. buff, known face, still looking well, fine size and qual., good head, neck and subs.; 2, 6, Findlay, buff var., nice size and qual. of feather, beaten head; 3, sp, Dick, cl. buff, rare size and qual., fine head, we liked; 4, 5, Dick. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Macgowan, fine wing carr. and cond. VARIEG. CK.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Findlay, very fine team, well put down. CL. YELL. OR BUFF HEN: 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, Findlay, 1st, cl. buff; 2nd, yell tkd.; 3rd, cl. yell., extra good qual., neat wing carr., correct weight; 4, Macgowan. VAR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, Findlay, all of the right type shown in the pink. A.O.V.: 1, Macgowan, green C.B., well lashed, fine entrance, good size and subs.; 2, sp, 3, sp, Findlay; 2nd, fine, slim, typical cl. buff Yorks.; 3rd, Cinn. Bord., nice col. and qual. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Dinwoodie, variegGoldies, leader xcels in size; 3, sp, Pettigrew, variegGoldf. crose. DK. GOLDF. OR LINNET: 1, no name, Goldf., fine size, col., and cond., rich face; 2, Dinwoodie, Linnet, excellent col. and cond., good size; 3, Pettigrew, Goldf., fine col. and qual. A.O.V. DK.: 1, sp, fine big Greenf., rich col., good qual., and in fine order; 2, Pettigrew, Siskin, good size, col., and cond. COLDF.: 1, Macgowan, grand face, rich col., fine square cut blaze, rare width, finely tanned body, good flights and buttons; 2, Ballantyne, equal col. of blaze, shade smuttier, fine tanning, nice shape, size, and cond.; 3, Cross, F.M., fine square cut face, good col. and size, unsteady; 4, 5, 6, 7, Ballantyne. LINNET: 1 Bannerman, fine col. and cond., rare size, shapely, well laced front, prominent good size, shapely, well laced front, prominent eight; 2, 3, Pettigrew, more size and subs., good col. and wastes, not so shapely; 3, fine col. and cond., good flights, shade smaller; 4, Dick; 5, 6, Jamieson 2 Cross. BULLF.: 1, Dick, F.M., grand size, cap, and bars, rare rich col. breast, fine shape and well put down; 2, Ballantyne, F.M., shade smaller only, very fine col., good cap, prominent wing bars, A1 bloom; 3, Pettigrew, H.M., extra good col. and cond., dense cap, grand bars; 4, 6, Munro; 5, Findlay; 7, Cassells. SISKIN: 1, sp, Jamieson, fine size and shape, grand cap, no bib, excels col.; 2, 3, sp, 4, Pettigrew; 2nd, same stamp as leader, nicely laced flanks, dense cap, no bib, behind col. only; 3rd, narrower in cap, 5, Cassells; 6, Ballantyne. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Findlay, grand size, fine head and bib, good col. and coud., well laced; 2, 3, Dick; 2nd, better bib, good col. and sheen, not so neat shape, fine size; 3, grand col. and markings, fails size only; 4, Bannerman, as good as any, fine head, cobby shape, grand bloom; 5, Ballantyne; 6, Cross; 7, Jamieson. TWITE: 1, Dick, Kirkintilloch winner, rare size and col., well laced breast, grand whites and cond., excels in size; 2, 4, Pettigrew; 2nd, grand bird, fine size, col., and cond., equally well laced, behind in size only; 3, Munro, shade smaller, otherwise good. GREENF: 1, Bannerman, grand stamp, yell., bold head, rare subs., rich col. and qual., fine flights and tail, well staged; 2, 7, Ballantyne; 2, equal col. and qual., rare bloom, good head, size, and subs., shade smaller; 3, 4, Dick, fine yell., rare head and size, trifle rough; 5, sp, Pettigrew; 6, Findlay. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, sp, best Brit. Bramble, Wishaw winner, Liddell, very hot col., rare bloom, grand mantle, fine cond., wins; 2, Ballantyne, grand Chaff., rare size, shape and col., fine whites and cond., good one; 3, sp, Livingstone, Bramble, only behind leader in col., good size, shape and mantle, well spangled; 4, Jamieson; 5, 6, Ballantyne; 7, Dick, good class. BUNTING: 1, Ballantyne, fine size and condition, extra good col., grand v. markings, yell.; 2, Pettigrew, Reed, grand size and cap, fine beard, pure white collar, rich back, good order; 3, Jamieson, yell fine col. and cond. LINNET. F.M.: 1, sp, Livingstone, rare size, shape, and col., well laced front, good whites, excels size; 2, Liddell, fine col., grand front, well closed in, beaten size only; 3, 5, 6, Pettigrew; 3rd, fine one, trifle unsteady, good col.; 7, Ballantyne. BULLF. HEN: 1, Pettigrew, great size, dense cap, grand bars, col. and cond., looking a bit lumpy in front; 2, 3, 4, sp, Ballantyne; 2nd, fine, clean cut, grand cap, col. and bloom, good bars; 3rd, not so clubby, good cap and bars; 5, Jamieson; 6, Dick; 7, Dinwoodie. A.O.V. HEN: 1, 2, Pettigrew, both Greenies, leader excels in head properties, fine col. and cond. MEALY REDPOLL: 1, Dick, good size and head, cobby shape, fine sheen; 2, Findlay, good head and bib, fine mealy front, nice sheen and cond.; 3, Pettigrew, good cond., beaten size. GREENF., F.M.: 1, Dick, capital size and col., grand head and subs., fine qual. and bloom, very rich flights; 2, Livingstone, yell., fine col. and sheen, grand wings and tail, fails size; 3, 5, sp, Pettigrew, good size and subs., bold head, fine order; 4, Dick; 6, Cassells; 7, Macgowan. SMALL BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Pettigrew, leader, grand Pied Wagtail, pure in col., old stager; 2, Wheatear, fine size and col., good head, rare coud., well staged and placed; 3, Grey Wagtail; 4, 5, Jamieson. LARGE: 1, sp, 3, 5, Pettigrew; 1st, grand Jay, fine markings and cond., well put down; 2, Findlay, Mavis, nice arrows, rare cond., well staged; 3, Mavis, better size and col., fails cond. and staging; 4, Jamieson; 6, Findlay. GOLDF. FOR.: 1, Cassells, fine, big, square cut face, full bloom, good size and shape, grand flights; 2, sp, 3, sp, 5, Pettigrew; 2nd shade narrower in skull, grand size, pure in cols., fine cond., nicely staged; 3rd, behind in col., good size, shape, and tanning, unsteady; 4, Jamieson. SELL., 10s. 6d.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Dinwoodie; 5, Liddell.

ABERDARE.

Show held at The Market Hall, Jan. 7, all the profits of which are to be given to the Belgian Refugee Fund. The birds were nicely staged at the side of the hall, which is well lighted and free from draughts. Mr. James proved a very courteous and obliging secretary. Mr. W. Davies acted as head steward, and there was nothing left undone for the comfort of the exhibits. A few more classes another year might be an advantage. Mr. J. H. Jones, Merthyr, judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

NOR.: 1, 2, hc, c, cup, best Can., W. Davies, leader buff, tkd. on head, nice shape, good head and chest, well carried wings, beautiful feather; 2, also buff, head tkd., good stamp, not quite so well feathered; 3, Brown, cl. yell., nice type and qual. of feather, but not the subs. of leaders. YORKS.: 1, withheld; 2, 3, vhc, Curtis and Son; 2, var. buff, good pos., nice shaped body, and good qual. feather, wins; 3, yell., not so well filled in neck, and head not so well rounded. A.O.V.: 1, withheld; 2, 3, vhc, c, Edwards; 2, varieg. crest, well feathered, and a good crest; 3, C.B., nicely feathered. MULE: 1, 3, withheld; 2, Curtis and Son, variegGoldf.-Can.: vhc, Osborne; hc, Jones. GOLDF. OR LINNET (8): 1, 2, E. Davies, Goldie, winner, very shapely and stylish, tanned to perfection, deep coloured expansive, square blaze, put down in grand cond.; 2, not so well finished as winner, yet good bird; 3, Jones, not quite so shapely in body, good coloured blaze, well placed; vhc, G. Davies; hc, Stevens; Reynolds, and Davies (2). A.O. BRIT.: 1, withheld; 2, Jones; 3, G. Davies; extra 3, Davies; vhc, hc, c, Williams. GIFT: 1, W. Davies.

GARSTON B.B.A.

Annual show Dec. 5. Entries were quite up to the previous year's, and quality was A1; quite a lot of noted winners were out. Mr. F. Rothwell won the Tate cup for the second year, also most points for the year. Mr. J. Lloyd most points for the one show and most points British. Mr. A. Willings judged.

CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, T. Mullock; 2, Lowe; 3, Rothwell. BUFF: 1, 3, hc, Lowe; 2, Griffith; vhc, c, Rothwell. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, Brundell; vhc, c, Lowe. BUFF: 1, 3, c, Rothwell; 2, vhc, Lowe; hc, Griffith. BUFF 1914: 1, hc, Rothwell; 2, 3, vhc, Lowe; c, Griffith. YORKS. GR. SELF OR FOUL: 1, T. Mullock; 2, Griffith. YELL. HEN: 1, Lowe; 2, Ireland; 3, T. Mullock. BUFF: 1, T. Mullock; 2, Ireland. GR. SELF OR FOUL 1914: 1, Ireland; 2, 3, T. Mullock. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, c, T. Mullock; 2, 3, Griffith. BUFF: 1, Mercer; 2, Griffith; 3, T. Mullock. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, A. Mullock; 3, T. Mullock. BUFF: 1, Mercer; 2, A. Mullock. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, vhc, Lloyd; 3, A. Mullock; hc, Rothwell. GOLDF.: 1, Rothwell; 2, vhc, hc, Bryant; 3, Jones; c, Brundell. BULLF.: 1, vhc, Lonsdale; 2, hc, Lloyd; 3, Jones; c, Rothwell. LINNET: 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, Price; vhc, T. Mullock; hc, Lloyd; c, Jones. GREENF.: 1, Rothwell; 2, hc, Lloyd; 3, Lonsdale; vhc, Jones. SISKIN OR TWITE: 1, 2, Lloyd; 3, hc, Hilton; vhc, Jones; c, Lonsdale. REDPOLL: 1, Price; 2, Jones; 3, vhc, Lloyd; hc, Hilton. CHAFFINCH: 1, 2, vhc, Rothwell; 3, Lloyd; hc, T. Mullock; c, Jones. BRAMBLEF.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Lloyd. BRIT. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Lloyd; 2, Rothwell. CHILDREN'S CLASS: 1, Lloyd; 2, 3, Jones; vhc, Lonsdale. Results of draw: 1 (247), Cull; 2 (90), Young; 3 (255), Jones; 4 (224), Sharples. A. T. Mullock, Hon. Sec.

HIGH WYCOMBE.

15th annual show, Oakley Memorial Hall, Dec. 29. The hall is not an ideal one, top light being bad, and the cage birds being staged on top of high poultry pens made it difficult to see them properly. Entries were in advance of former years, both in quantity and quality, some well-known winners being amongst them. In mule classes there were some charming exhibits, the light class being really a marvel for quality. It seems strange how some of the small shows can get an entry of six light mules. Mr. T. Bowler took cup for best bird with his well-knewn Goldie-Can. British were a beautiful collection, some that could hold their own in bigger competition, Mr. T. Bowler still again getting premier honours, also silver and bronze medals for best Brit., a Goldfinch of the first water. Foreign were small in numbers, but very dainty. The society are to be congratulated upon having such an hard-working sec. as Mr. S. C. Pearce, ably assisted by Mr. A. Rivers. Stewards were Messrs. T. Bowler and F. Abbott, who worked hard, and were obliging to the extreme. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged, and his awards were well received.

YKS., BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, Hawes Bros., a hot team, leader a cl., grand length, nice round head, good subs., well fitting wings, good col., A1 qual., 2 cl., not subs. of winner, wings slightly crossed, nice length, good col. and cond.; 3, Ratter, nice pos., neat wings and tail; vhc, Dimmock; hc, Shilcott; c, Runchman. YELL. (9): 1, 2, 3, Hawes Bros., 1 tkd., grand length, (9): 1, 2, 3, Hawes Bros., 1st tkd., grand length, nicely moulded, rich col., nice wing carr., pipe tail, rare pos., grand head; 2, variegs., rare shape and style, lovely feather, beaten by length; 3, cl., racy and typical, full of nerve; vhc, Runchman; hc, Shilcott; c, Dimmock. HEN (6): 1, 3, Hawes Bros., 1st head mkd. buff, grand length, feathered like glass, nice head, full neck, wings and tail perfect, a gem, greatly admired; 3, cl. yell., slim and typical, beautiful feather, nice head, good col., on best of legs; 2, Shilcott, heavy variegs. yell., capital bird, right length, grand head, well carried wings, straight as a barrel; vhc, Hawes Bros.; hc, Dimmock; c, Hubbard. NOR., BUFF (6). 1, 2, Hedges, cl., good size, well rounded front, capital head, good col., wings just a wee bit crossed, A1 cond.; 2, large bird, loses in head, a bit rough in feather; 3, Barrett, cl., gem for quality, but head bit too small; vhc, Hubbard; hc, Todd; c, Bowler. YELL. (4): 1, sp. best Can., 3, vhc, T. Bowler, winner topping cl., fine head, neck and front, cobby shape, extra good qual.; 3, good size, nice head, well across perch; 2, Hedges, cl., plenty of subs., cobby body, rich col. and qual. NOR., HEN (5): 1, Barrett, cl. yell., nice round body, short tail, well carried wings, grand head, lovely col. and cond.; 2, hc., T. Bowler, buff, not the subs. of winner, nice head, wings and tail, good col. and cond.; 3, Wood, variegs. buff, good size, subs. and col.; vhc, Hubbard. A.O.V., CAN. (4): 1, 2, Barrett, winner grand C.B., plenty of size, full front, lovely head and neck, 2nd yellow crest, good subs., nice col; 3, Pennal; vhc, Hopkins. DARK MULES (4): 1, vhc, T. Bowler, leader Goldie-Can., rare size, nice square blaze, well mkd. wings, lovely feather, steady as a rock; 2, Dimmock, Greenie-Can., rich col.; 3, Shilcott, Greenie-Can. LIGHT (6): 1, sp, best mule, T. Bowler, well-known Goldie-Can., pink of cond., lovely qual. of feather, wins well; 2, 3, Carter, good Goldie-Can., former running 1st very close. GOLDF. (7): 1, sp. best Brit., vhc, c, T. Bowler, winner a gem, square even blaze, splendid wings, good carr., good moons and buttons, very steady. A1 cond.; 2, hc, Carter, nice blaze, good col. and cond.; 3, Shilcott, tight in feather, nice blaze, well mkd. wings. BULLF. (6): 1, 2, Carter, 1st nice size and type, good col., nice cap and wing bars, splendid cond., 2nd nice size, good cap and wing bars; 3, Shilcott, good markings; vhc, Todd; hc, Pearce; c, Hubbard. GREENF., ETC. (6): 1, vhc, T. Bowler, capital Greenf., good size, nice shaped body, well carried wings, yellow showing well, good head, very steady, grand cond.; 2, Carter, Siskin, nice bird, capital bib, rich in col., nice feathers, good cond.; 3, Shilcott, Linnet, well mkd., nice col.; hc, Pearce; c, Hubbard. A.O. HARD. (6): 1, T. Bowler, Hawf., good size, well mkd. head, feathers like wax; 2, Carter, Bramblef., nice size, good col., well spangled, very steady; 3, c, Smith, 3rd Crossbill, good size; vhc, Burnard; hc, Pearce. FOR. (5): 1, 2, vhc, hc, Hubbard, splendid pair of Orange Waxbills, markings perfect, feathers like wax, 2nd African Golden Sparrow, nicely mkd., in grand cond.; 3, Woodbridge. SELL.: 1, 3, Hedges; 2, c, Dimmock; vhc, Carter; hc, Wood.

DONCASTER.

Doncaster C.B.S. being unable to secure a hall large enough to hold the usual annual show, pluckily decided to run two smaller shows in the only hall available. One show for Canaries, and the other for Mules, British and foreign. The latter was held January 9, in a spacious room attached to the Black Bull Hotel, a very suitable place for the purpose. The birds were nicely staged in a good light, and all could be seen without any difficulty. The entry, about 200, compared favourably with previous shows, the largest class being 23. Greenfinches, while quality all through was good, many prominent exhibitors having big teams forward, including a good number from Scotland. Secretary Hunt and his assistant, G. Bescoby, had everything in perfect order, and with the co-operation of Mr. Blanchcon, show manager, and a hard-working committee, the whole of the work was got through without a hitch. A few birds were a bit late in arriving, but their classes were allowed to stand over till the birds arrived. The judge, Mr. J. Maddison, set to work with the classes that were ready, and, being well served by stewards who kept him busy, the judging was finished and all cards up before one o'clock.

VARIEG. CAN. MULE (5): 1, Parlett, head and wing mkd. Linnet, good size, col. and cond.; 2, Blancheon, big var. Goldf., rich col., silky feather, in grand order; 3, 4, Inman, Goldf. Mules, rare size, more Yorkie in type, good col. and feather; vhc, Stevens. DK., EXCEPT CAN.-BULLF. (7): 1, Parlett, Greenf., hot, level col., in best of cond.; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Dr. Wilson, 2, rare big yell. Siskin, good in markings and feather, needs a little more col.; 3, Martin and Archer, fine sized Linnet, good shape, col. and cond.; c, Conkie and Loudon. HYB. and CAN.-BULLF. (10): 1, Martin and Archer, Greenf.-Chaffinch, in the best of cond.; 2, 3, Dr. Wilson, 2, bright coloured Can.-Bullf., in very forward cond.; 3, Greenf.-Chaffinch, better col. on breast than the winner, but not so excellent in shape, qual. of feather and style; vhc, Palfrey; hc, B. H. Wilson. GOLDF. (14): 1, Conkie and Loudon, nice size and shape, very clear and rich-coloured blaze, good tanning and wings, in tip-top cond.; 2, Dr. Wilson, similar to winner in most points, but beaten in cond.; 3, Almond, very good in all colours, but lacks subs. of leaders; 4, Cottingham, good, all-round Finch; vhc, hc, Nicholson and Son. BULLF. (10): 1, Dr. Wilson, good in all points, best possible cond.; 2, P. Walsh, really good Bullie, just beaten by an extra good one; 3, Jones, nice cobby shape, grand col. and qual., trifle less size than leaders; 4, Mrs. Clayton, good size and shape, scarcely so bright in col., grand cond.; vhc, Chick; hc, Humpreys; c, Billingham. GREENF. (23): 1, Francis, unfcd, rare size and shape, rich level col., grand qual., well put down; 2, Gentleman, very cobby shape, hot col., good wings, inclined to be a bit soft; 3, Walsh, grand col., qual. and cond., beaten in size and subs.; 4, Martin and Archer; vhc, Nicholson and Son; hc, Parlett; c, Blancheon. HAWFINCH (7): 1, 4, c, Francis, grand size, cobby shape, rich in all colours, shining cond.; 2, Macpherson, equally good in all points except head; 3, Bearder, fine size, shape and cond., just fails a little in col.; vhc, Cottingham; hc, Fallding. LINNET (10): 1, Dr. Wilson, big, upstanding, nice shade of col., well pencilled front, extra good cond.; 2, Coulson, similar in size, col. and markings, not so stylish, nor such good cond.; 3, Walsh, rare size, shape, and cond., a bit dark in col. and heavy in markings; 4, Smith; vhc, Francis; hc, Cottingham; c, Parlett. LESSER REDPOLL (14): 1, Campbell and Boag, fine size and shape, rich col., well mkd., very steady; 2, Nicholson and Son, similar, only beaten in size; 3, Conkie and Loudon, just fails a little in markings; 4, Henshaw; vhc, Whishaw; hc, Francis; c, Dr. Wilson. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, Conkie and Loudon, grand sized, rich coloured Twite, well pencilled back and front, extra good cond.; 2, vhc, Fallding, full sized Mealy Redpoll, rare bib and markings, excellent feather for a Mealy; 3, Francis, SISKIN, good size and shape, well laced flanks, rich col., excellent cond.; 4, Parlett, big, upstanding Twite, not the markings of winner; hc, Nicholson and Son; c, Dr. Wilson. A.O. HARDBILL (15): 1, c, Nicholson and Son, very stylish Chaffinch, rare size and shape, well up in colours, best of feather and cond.; 2, Dr. Wilson, really grand Meadow Bunting, perfect feather and cond., worth an equal first; 3, vhc, Parlett, big, bouncing Bramble, fine shape and col., fails in cond. to leaders; 4, Smith; hc, Francis. F.M. BRIT. (10): 1, Parlett, Linnet, good in size, shape, col. and markings, very steady; 2, Gentleman, big, rich coloured Greenf.; 3, Hullatt, very fine, upstanding Skylark, steady, in perfect feather; 4, c, no name; vhc, Coulson; hc, Blancheon. SOFTBILL (8): 1, Burrows, Redstart, rare size and shape, very forward in colours, perfect feather and cond.; 2, Bearder, Waxwing, good in all colours, perfect wings, excellent cond.; 3, c, Nicholson and Son, good Blackcap, well put down; 4, Sayweli; vhc, Walsh; hc, Medley. HEN (13): 1, Gentleman, Yellowhammer, fine size and col., very steady; 2, Macpherson, big, bold shaped Bullie; 3, Miss Whishaw, good shaped, high conditioned Hawfinch; 4, Inman, Twite, could beat many cocks; hc, Cadat; c, Palfrey. SELL. (10): 1, Francis, Goldf.; 2, Parlett, Nutcracker; 3, vhc, Bescoby, Blackbird; 4, hc, Burrows; c, Campbell and Boag. FOR. SEEDEATER (5): 1, 2, Almond, Rainbow Bunting, in full, brilliant col., 2, pair Cordon Bleus; 3, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, Indigo Bunting, rich col. and high cond.; 4, Saywell, very fine Olive Finch. SOFTILL (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, Bik.-headed Sugar-bird, Black-cheeked Tanager, All Green Tanager, and a Blue Tanager, all in gorgeous colour and high condition; 4, Saywell, very fine tri-colour Tanager.

TRURO.

Annual show, Market Hall, Dec. 26. Entries came up very well, and Mr. C. S. Dunstan, the hon. sec., is to be congratulated on getting together such a nice display. Sp. best in show was won by Messrs. Stephens and Gaved with a lovely Waxwing in grand form. Mr. E. White judged.

NOR. YELL. (9): 1, Howard, grand head and neck, lovely body and col.; 2, Martin, beautifully rounded head and chest, grand col. and qual.; 3, vhc, Symons Bros., lovely shape, short thick body, grand head and neck, clean cut behind; res, Andrew; hc, c, Stepheus and Gaved. BUFF (8): 1, Howard, mkd., neck, good size and shape, nice col. and qual., good wing carr.; 2, vhc, Symons Bros., lovely shape, short and cobby, good col., nicely mealed; 3, c, Andrew, good shape, nice col. and qual., neat head, nice wing carr.; r, Stephens and Gaved; hc, Martin. NON-FLIGHT (9): 1, r, c, Howard, var. yell., lovely shape, red-hot, grand qual., nice wing and tail carr.; 2, 3, James, cl. and buffs, lovely shapes, good heads and necks, grand qual., well mealed; vhc, Stephens and Gaved; hc, Andrew. HEN (11: 1, 3, Stephens and Gaved, cinn. mkd. yell. and mkd. head yell., grand shapes, lovely chests and backs, grand col. and qual.; 2, c, Andrew, cl. buff, fine size and shape, good deep chest, well carried wings and tail.; r, Smith; vhc, Symons Bros.; hc, Howard. YORKS. YELL. (4): 2, vhc, Boundy and Son, good length, nice pos., well braced wings and tail; 3, Nicholls, lovely pos., well up on leg, beautifully drawn; r, Andrew. BUFF (4): 2, Boundy and Son, nicely rounded shoulders, beautifully braced wings, good col. and qual.; 3, Wells and Son, slim and well drawn, neat head and back, lovely qual.; r, Andrew. YORKS. HEN (3): 2, Boundy and Son, fine length and pos., neat head and neck; r, Nicholls, grand qual., lovely carr., well up on leg; vhc, Andrew. BORD. (14): 1, vhc, Mrs. Dunstan, yell., good head, neck, and back, nice col. and qual.; 2, Dunstan, buff, model for shape, sweet head and neck, tight as a drum, nicely mealed, some liked for 1st; 3, r, Unwin, yell., trifle longer, fine shape, well rounded, well carried wings, good col.; hc, Moreshead; c, Odgers. A.O.V. (5): 2, r, Symons Bros., var. Crest, grand size and shape, good frontal, neat centre, well radiated; 3, Lee, var. C.B., massive skull, wonderful entrance and width; vhc, hc, Kelynack. MULE OR HYB. (7): 1, 2, vhc, Collins, cl. Goldf. Mule, good size and shape, lovely cond., 2 Goldf.-Greenf., magnificent col., grand blaze, lovely bloom and cond.; 3, hc, c, Stephens and Gaved, lovely size and shape, good wing markings; r, Rowe and Richards, yell. Goldf., lovely col. and polish. GOLDF. (15): 1, r, vhc, Stepheus and Gaved, magnificent size and shape, square cut blaze, fine wings and buttons; 2, vhc, hc, Coombe, grand trio, good blazes, well cut, lovely chests, well shown; 3, Polkinghorne, another grand one, nice size and shape, good blaze, well cut; c, Collins. HARDBILL, SMALL (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Rowe and Richards, a team of good birds, Yellow Bunting, Bullf., and Cirl Bunting, grandly mkd. and shown in good cond.; r, hc, Collins. LARGE BRIT. (4): 1, sp, 2, vhc, Stephens and Gaved, Waxwing and Chough, fine size and shape, grand Waxwings, lovely col. and feather, 2 Chough, grand col. and feather, in the pink; 3, Collins, Hawfinch, nice size and col., well cut bib. SMALL FOR.: 1, 2, Dunstan, Robin and Gouldian, well shown, lovely col.; 3, Rowe and Richards, silky Cowbird, nice col. and feather.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Questions and Answers.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

RAGGED LOOKING (J.D.).—The birds are evidently very susceptible to cold, and are doubtless of a weakly constitution. You should keep them in a comfortable temperature until the spring is getting advanced, but do not overdo it. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition to this give separately half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw every third day to each bird, and a morsel of banana four times a week in preference to apple. It would also be beneficial to keep a morsel of rind of fat boiled pork or bacon stuck in the wires for them to peck at when they feel inclined. In the drinking water add 20 drops of Chemical Food about every third day. Continue this treatment for a month, and if the birds are not then in good condition, write again, and repeat particulars and I will advise you further.

BOBBING ON PERCH (Jack).—I am afraid I cannot tell you whether the bird is worth treatment or not without more details about its previous treatment, and its symptoms; you give practically no particulars to enable me to form any opinion what is wrong with the bird. Give a staple seed diet the same as you will see recommended here very often, and in addition give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day, and on the alternate days a spray of watercress or a morsel of banana if the salad is not obtainable. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and in the following week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food. If this does not set matters right in a fortnight or so, write again, and give full particulars about the bird, and also how you have been feeding it hitherto, and I will endeavour to help you further.

CANARY WASTING (Constant Reader, Kilburn, W.).—(1) You do not give the slightest clue to the cause of the wasting, so it is not possible to give you the best means of curing it. Better write again and say how you feed it, where you keep it, and give as full particulars as you can as to any symptoms of illness shown by the bird. Meantime give a morsel of bread and milk daily, which you may sprinkle freely with maw to induce bird to eat freely, and add 20 drops of Chemical Food to its drinking water four times a week. (2) Yes, you can safely use, for breeding Canaries, a hen Canary which has previously been used for breeding Mules.

A TRIPLET (New Start).—(1) The sexual difference of Canaries are all comparative, and often very slight, so that it is only by experience and close observation that one can become expert at sexing birds separately with any degree of certainty. The cocks have a bolder and more defiant carriage generally, a bolder eye, and generally carry a richer tone of natural colour on the throat, wing butts, rump, and are better filled in on the under tail coverts, giving a more graceful sweep of outline from the lower breast on to the coverts. The voice is more clear and liquid than the comparatively harsh note of the hen. The song is the surest guide for the inexperienced to judge by. It should be clear, sustained, and unbroken, and the throat is very fully inflated, and throbs unmistakably as the notes are produced. In comparison with a cock the vocal efforts of a singing hen are usually merely a scrappy twitter. (2) See Mr. Norman's column next week for reply to your Mule questions, and please remember that queries for different departments should be written on separate sheets, as they have to go to different persons. (3) I do not know whether it is true that dipping a bird in cold water will make it moult. I doubt it, but would not put it to a practical test, and think the one who would do it would deserve a ducking himself.

SEEDS AND BOOK (Chantrey).—(1) No samples of seeds have come to hand. (2) Our Manager could doubtless get the book for you, or would send you the address of publisher on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope.

MAKE SPITTING NOISE (Berlin).—The bird is suffering from a catarrhal cold, most probably due to exposure to cold draughts, or sudden extremes of heat and cold. Does it hang in a window? If so, that is a sufficient cause. See that any such cause is removed, and in addition to the staple diet give a morsel of bread and milk with three drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of scalded rape seed, and a morsel of banana. Twice a week also give a small teaspoonful of mixed seed. In the drinking water add five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre, every second day for a week or so.

BREEDING ROLLERS (J.J.S.).—(1) In starting out to breed Rollers seriously, you would do well to read up the subject in detail, for which purpose you will find much information in Part XVI. of "Our Canaries," and in the chapter in House's "Canary Manual," the last post free from our Manager, for 1s. 2d., and also in the series of articles which have been appearing in our columns for some time past. You could get moderate stock birds at the price you name, but not the best pedigree bred singing strains. They should be good enough for the first year until you have gained a little experience. (2) Only one hen should be paired with each cock at the same time, but he could be mated with two or three hens in succession. (3) You should not run two or three pairs together in the same cage, if that is what you mean. It is much better to keep each hen, or pair, in a separate cage. (4) Yes, a good box 4ft. square could doubtless be converted into very decent breeding cages. If divided horizontally and vertically by partitions into four equal sections, and each section provided with punched bar wire fronts, it would make four good sized breeding cages. But that is all it will do, as to divide it up into any more would be to spoil all. By all means keep the cages in the room above the kitchen with no fire. It will be far better in every way than the kitchen. But do not get birds from a heated room to keep there, unless you wait till the weather is mild in spring before starting. (5) Answered in No. 1.

RELATIONSHIP (Novice).—(1) The birds you propose mating are half-brother and sister, which is very close indeed, and such matings, as I am frequently pointing out, should only be tolerated when there is a definite object in view, and then only when the parents have not been previously in-bred to any extent. You do not say whether you have any such object in view or not. The parents of these birds not being in-bred a casual mating like this would be just permissible, but still, if it is only just for the sake of making up a pair, you would be better advised in getting unrelated mates for the birds. (2) I do not quite see what you mean in "a matter of luck." If it is that the hen is a chance bred bird, with no marked tendency to breed even-marked specimens in the strain she comes of, then it will certainly be a matter of luck if she breeds anything striking in that line herself. Still, as the cock must have a fair amount of even-mark blood in his veins, there is certainly a very fair chance of a more or less perfect marked bird turning up. The bulk will probably be clear and ticked, with some lightly variegated.

LOSING FEATHERS (New Year).—See that he is not exposed to cold draughts or sudden extremes of temperature. In addition to the staple seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet, and broken groats, and a morsel of banana. Also dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this in the drinking water two days in every three until the feathers have ceased dropping.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

PET BIRD (Esperance).—A Jay or Magpie makes a capital pet, and either is not a difficult bird to feed, as scraps from the table form a good portion of the food, and the remainder is not very expensive. They can be taught to imitate sounds, and some of them speak quite plainly, and they are otherwise very amusing. Now, about getting one, the best time is during the early summer, when, if you watch our advertisement columns, you will be sure to see young ones offered for sale. You should procure one that still requires a little hand-feeding, and if you handle him frequently and allow him a little liberty he will grow up into a tractable pet, although the Magpie is occasionally given to being a bit vicious, and a good sound peck from his strong beak is something to be remembered. Some of them, however, are much better in this respect than others, and when properly managed remain very tractable.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

The barbarous and mistaken idea that the splitting of the tongue improves a bird's talking capacity has long been a thing of the past, and no intelligent person ever believed in it. As regards the Blackcap, it is certainly a delightful songster, and not difficult to keep in confinement to bird-lovers that have had a little experience in bird-keeping. It keeps very tame, but could not be let out of the cage and handled in the same way as a Magpie or Jay. On the whole I should think one of the latter would suit you best. You could keep him in a big rough box with a wire front or in a properly-made cage. A Parrot's cage is not at all suitable, although I happen to know where there is one kept in such a cage, but his plumage is not good, and the bird is cramped, and has anything but a happy look. You would procure your Blackcap during the summer, when a few are offered for sale, price about 10s. One of the larger birds would not cost you so much to buy.

MULE AILING (Sam).—I have carefully read your letter, and note you are still in trouble with your bird; I am afraid he is not particularly strong. Treat him as follows: Give the seed mixture of canary and teazle, but for a time discontinue the rape. Give the wild seed mixture and the maw seed. Let all his drinking water be boiled or distilled. Procure from the chemist one oz. of citrate of iron with ammonia, dissolve a drachm of it in two ozs. of port wine, and give 10 drops in two tablespoonsful of water; this is strengthening and binding, so watch his motions, and use discretion in giving it. Put him in your largest cage and let him bathe daily, giving the bath early in the morning; take it away about 10 o'clock if he does not use it.

LOSING MEALWORMS (Redwing).—Sorry to hear you are losing your worms, especially as they are just now so valuable and difficult to obtain. Have you noticed any very tiny insects running about your box? If so, these are the cause of your loss, and you will have to throw away the contents and thoroughly clean the box, or, better still, destroy it. I also note you have had the box in use several years; this is not desirable. It is a much better plan to start fresh boxes from time to time; there is such a thing as a mealworm box becoming insanitary. You say you have "transferred some to another box"; if these have gone on all right, it should be a proof that your old box only wants a thorough overhauling, and that there is no disease among the mealworms.

COLOUR OF BULLFINCH (Thomas Yale).—I am glad to hear your Bullie is better, and the change of position had the desired effect. I am also pleased you did well with him at the show. Respecting the colour, a bird the age of yours would not improve now. Colour is in the blood, and although colour-feeding gives a certain darker tone, it lacks that peculiar brightness which is so noticeable in a good coloured wild specimen. The bird you mention is quite abnormal as regards colour, although I remember a specimen equally as rich, which I know had no assistance, but was simply moulted in the open and fed on an abundance of wild seeds and berries. (2) It is a difficult matter to put into words the difference between British and Siberian Bullies; the great difference as a rule is size, but there are other distinguishing features which one knows more by what I may term intuition than anything else.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

IN POOR PLUMAGE (W.P.).—Your Parrakeet is undoubtedly a young bird, and evidently belongs to one of the races of Ringnecks. Every fourth day for a month put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphates in the water. In addition to the seed mixture (one quart each canary, white millet and white oats, one pint each hemp, sunflower, dari, and crushed maize, and half a pint of shelled nuts, the whole to be well mixed and stored in a dust-tight tin), supply ripe fruit (any kind it will take), crusts of bread, biscuits, and plain cake. Cuttlebone, grit, and a piece of a branch of a tree should be continually in the cage. Keep the bird out of draughts and not above the gas jets. As the bird gains in condition the feathers will be normally produced. Slightly moisten a piece of biscuit, crust of bread, or sponge cake with hot water, dust it with flowers of sulphur, and supply to the bird once or twice daily. Do not give tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. Treat carefully as above, and report progress a month hence.

CUTTHROATS, ETC. (Spearing).—No general principal can be laid down, but it certainly prevents waste of energy if the sexes can be separated from

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

November till March inclusive, and when birds are kept in cages they are best so treated. Cutthroats are very erratic in reproduction. Some pairs are very prolific, others will simply lay clutch after clutch, and merely play at incubation, often not rearing a single youngster in the season. Again, others will incubate and hatch out, then forsake the young when a few days old, and begin to nest again. Separate your pair till the middle or end of March according to the weather, then put them together again, supplying a fresh, clean nest receptacle, and let them take their own way without any undue interference. The liberty you give them ought to help matters considerably. When young are hatched, in addition to canary, white and spray millet, supply greenfood liberally; some live food (such as mealworms, gentles, and anything small you can get from garden), but let it be as varied as season permits; a little of some good make of insectile mixture; and keep a small tin of dried ants' eggs within their reach. The above will apply to many species of foreign Finch. I should say a pair of Zebra Finches would do well with you.

BUDGERIGARS (A. M. Cook).—As your birds are evidently without husks at present do not supply these till the early part of March. They can have any kind of greenfood they will take. I do not favour watercress being given too liberally, and it must be thoroughly well washed before being given to the birds. It is difficult to suggest a remedy to the mice. Traps should be kept going continually to keep their numbers down. If the cages hang on a wall, this can be made unclimbable by covering the area the cages occupy, and a good space all round them, with sheet zinc. If the cages stand on a table, the legs of the table should be similarly made unclimbable; more I cannot say without knowing definitely what your conditions are. If the birds are not let out into the room at all, it should not be difficult to keep the mice down by trap and poison.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

P. Small.—We have been told of, and read of, Canaries that could talk, but have never had the pleasure of listening to one. Of course, we have heard birds which have said "Pretty Dick," "Kiss Pretty Dick," etc., etc.; but this we are unable to term "talking," the sounds construed into the said words being merely natural notes of the birds.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abertillery C.B.S. Jan. 20, Prince of Wales' Hotel, 6.30. Auditors' report. H. H. Mortimer.

Ardwick and Manchester Dis. C.B.A.—Jan. 19, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers for 1915; prize cards given out; ticket money to be brought in.—J. Spencer.

Bingley O.S.—Jan. 19, Co-op. Rooms, 7.30. Annual general meeting; balance sheet; election of officers for 1915.—H. Shaw.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Jan. 19, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Annual general meeting and night show of Canaries; classes for all varieties; 1s. special each class. Judge, Mr. T. Rowlands.—G. Morton.

Bradford East O.S.—Jan. 19, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Annual general meeting; balance sheets; election of officers for 1915; fanciers cordially invited to join.—W. Ornise.

Barry F. and F.S.—Jan. 20, Headquarters, 7.30. Annual meeting; report for the year 1914, and scrutiny of voting papers.—H. P. Thomas.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Jan. 21, Maskell's, 8. To elect Judges, fix date, and arrange classification for annual pair show; subs. now due.—E. Thomas.

Chorley C.B.S.—Jan. 20, White Lion Inn, 7.30. Election of officers for 1915; prize-money paid; some very special business; members and friends invited. —J. H. Welch.

Charlotteville F. and U.S.S.—Jan. 21, St. Luke's Institute, 6. First monthly table show; subs. now due.—C. H. Pope.

City of Bradford O.S.—Jan. 16, Flying Dutchman, 8. Alteration of rules, balance sheet for 1914; nomination of Union judges.—W. Helliwell.

Clapham C.B.A.—Jan. 19, 8. Adjourned annual general meeting.—T. J. Hose.

Clydebank C.B.C.—Jan. 21, 21, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Arraugements for pair show; balance-sheet for 1914. —W. Kane.

Derby C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Normanton Hotel, 7. General meeting; election of officers.—F. W. Jordan.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Black Bull, 7. Election of auditors; members' show arrangements, and other important bus.—G. Hunt.

East Ham F.S.—Jan. 21, Earl of Wakefield, East Ham, 8. Annual general meeting.—W. Kite.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Jan. 19, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Drawing up of syllabus for year 1915; new members specially invited and enrolled at nominal sub. of 5s. for year.—J. C. Charlton.

Halifax O.S.—Jan. 16, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Smoking concert and presentation of prizes won at members' show; members and friends earnestly invited.—H. Clegg.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—Jan. 21, Mr. J. Nicholson's, 8. Final arrangements for open show.—W. Tallantyre.

Huddersfield O.S.—Jan. 18, The headquarters, 8. General meeting; reading of balance-sheet for 1914; election of officers for 1915; subs. for 1914 are overdue.—A. Lawford.

Jarrow, Hebburn C.B.S.—Jan. 20, Victoria Hotel, 7.30. Special meeting; hope old and new members will turn up.—W. Ayers.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Jan. 23, Y.M. Halls, 6. Table show, F.M. Greenf., hens; F.M. Bullf., hens. Judge, Mr. A. Clark.—A. Thomson.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Jan. 19, White Swan, 7.30. Balance sheets and table show.—A. Freestone.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Jan. 18, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Special meeting re meeting-room, and show business.—F. Wilkinson.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Jan. 21, Kelvedon Hall, Walham Green, 8. Annual business meeting; balance sheet; election of officers; presentation of cup and prizes. The committee wish all desirous of joining to kindly attend or apply to the sec.—H. F. Bowring, 67, Everington-st., Fulham, S.W.

Middleton C.B.S.—Jan. 18, Old Boar's Head, 8. General meeting; balance sheet for 1914; election of officers, etc.—J. Hulton.

North London C.B.A.—Jan. 20, headquarters, 8. Annual general meeting.—P. W. Jeffries.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Jan. 18, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Entries for amalgamated show and general bus. Members and friends kindly attend.—A. Colley.

Shipley O.S.—Jan. 20, Victoria Hotel, 7. Judging competition; members and friends invited E. Grange.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Jan. 19, Liberal Club, 8. General meeting; balance sheet; election of officers, etc. F. Hampshire.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Jan. 18, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, 7.30. Annual meeting and prize distribution.—S. B. Grayshon.

Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Cardiff Arms Hotel, 6. Birds staged 6.30. Members' evening pair show; judge, L. Hughes. Fanciers cordially invited. —H. Watts.

Wakefield Roller C.C.—Jan. 18, Elephant and Castle Inn, 8. Members please attend.—H. Roebuck.

Windhill C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers; balance sheet for open show and yearly balance sheet; tea and social arrangements; Yorks. Union business. Taylor and Ellis

F.E.H.—Aspinall's, or any other good brand of enamel answers admirably for cages, and can be obtained at any oil and colour stores. Most of the large firms of fanciers' providers advertising in our columns also stock the proper cage enamel.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d., analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter post: it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Norwich Hen.—Death occurred from heart failure. The Bird was over fat, and its heart's action impeded.

J. Cockram.—Bacterial necrosis of the lungs; a very troublesome and fatal disease, and highly contagious. The bird was in excellent condition, but a large patch of the lung had been affected for some time. The disease is due to a germ which destroys the tissues with which it comes in contact, producing necrosis (or local death). Separate healthy from diseased, and disinfect thoroughly.

WANTED, good pair of Norwich [illegible] for Wright's Poultry Book, and piece of [illegible]ath [illegible]ds. x 3yds., worth [illegible] not rubbish. Tanner, 65, Third-avenue, Bath. (1)

VERY rare light fawn Mole, in glass case, museum specimen, what offers, exchange hammerless gun, jewellery, or anything useful: John Jones, Barney, Norfolk. (2000)

EXCHANGE book on Canaries, British and Hybrids, cost 25/-, wound exchange for good yellow Norwich bird: approval: W. Fowler, Phoenix-st., Sutton-in-Ashfield. (1993)

EXCHANGE smart Yorkshire terrier bitch, 4lbs. weight, prick ears, for pair of Canaries, or offers: Irwin, Hemels Row, Walker Colliery, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1990)

EXCHANGE pair football boots, new, size 9, for two good Norwich hens, or good Yorkshire cock; approval: W. Mitchell, 12a, Gruneisen-rd., Church End, Finchley. (1999)

WILL exchange handsome cream bob tail sheep bitch, 7 months, for pair good Yorkshire or Norwich, or sell, 15/-: Jolliffe, Rolvenden Hill, Rolvenden, Kent. (1990)

EXCHANGE chocolate Pomeranian male, 20 months old, 4lbs. weight, for Canaries, or offers, or sell £3: offers first: Coward, 17, Longing-lane, Barnoldswick. (1996)

EXCHANGE for Canaries, British, or Foreign birds, men's strong nailed Blucher boots, size 9's, hand-made, value 10/6; offers: Baker, 1, Waterylane, Preston. (2)

WHAT offers, cock Canaries only, for white satin quilt, coloured quilt, pair white hemmed bed sheets, all full bed size, quite new: 70, Derg-st., Seedley, Salford. (1973)

NOTICE, birds of any description taken in exchange for cages, any kind, or loose fronts, any size made: state offers and wants: Leigh, 37, Everton-terrace, Liverpool. (1998)

EXCHANGE mahogany and brass Crystal Palace aviary, 36 x 30 x 14, sell 12/6; aviary moulted hen Mealy Redpoll, also cock Linnet: G. Stride, 44, Oswald-rd., St. Albans. (1)

GRAND Yorkshire Terrier dog puppy, 5½ months, 2½lbs. weight, sell 35/-; exchange Canaries or double breeders; approval: Broomfield, 275, Herbert-rd., Smallheath, Birmingham. (2)

EXCHANGE second-hand motor horn, flexible brass tube and fittings complete, 12 gross ½in. brass screws, for good Pom. or birds: Smith, 9, Fourth-avenue, Queen's Park, London, W. (1999)

GEORGE Askew, Florist, Willingham, Cambs., will give good collection perenial flower roots for good rifle, Canaries, or cash; particulars, approval: G. Askew, Willingham, Cambs.

EXCHANGE four large aviary moulted cock Goldfinches, for overcoat, latest style, fit man 5ft. 3in., or sell, coat first on approval both ways: H. Hosler, 21, Box Mill, Halstead, Essex. (2000)

EXCHANGE pair Blue chequers, show honours, for Yorkshires, Norwich, Budgerigars, Cockatiels, or sell £1; hen worth money: Shuttlebotham, Royal Oak, Hollingworth, Manchester. (2)

SET gas engine slides (new) cost £5, accept £2 10s., radiator oil stove, double burner (tumeless) 5/-, singing Mules or Canaries wanted: Collinson, 117, Beaconsfield-rd., Tottenham, N. (1999)

WHAT offers for good one pair of Yorkshires and 4-compartment breeding, also some scrap brass, anything useful for house or Rollers, or Mules: Butler, 199, Windmill-rd., Foleshill, Coventry. (1999)

ANCONA cockerel, O.E. Game Bantams, Spangles, Blk.-reds, Blue-red, good birds; sell cheap; or exchange for large Norwich hens or Goldfinches: Geo. Borthwick, 25, Octavia-st., Kirkcaldy. (1994)

WILL give brand new drapery in either children's or ladies' to the value of £2 for a good pair of Norwich, or offers in exhibition Canaries; approval: Evans, Draper, Myrddin House, Penygraig. (1995)

PAIR of Scotch Grey Bantams, winners, exchange pair of Roller Canaries preferred; also pen of dark spangle O.E.G. Bantams, fit to win anywhere, 20/-: Munday, 54, High-st.; Talbach, Port Talbot. (2000)

EXCHANGE grand pair Archangels and Blue Fantail, latter first St. Columb last month, for pair Yorkshires or Rollers, value £2 2s.; sell 30/- cash; space required: Moyle, Roskilling, Helston. (1988)

MEALY Working Homer cock; 2nd prize winner, 3/6; Dutch rabbit, even marked, 2/6; Old English Black-red Bantam cockerel, winner, 5/-; exchange Canaries: Brown, Thornton-rd. Potters Bar. (2000)

WICKER side-car, nearly new, 15/-; invalid carrying cane chair, 15/-; full size black skin hearth rug, new, 10/6; Canaries or foreign bird in exchange for any article: Goodwin, 185, Old Kent-rd., London. (2)

WANTED good smooth-haired Fox Terrier dog (pedigree), over puppy troubles, for 8 tipplers (d ne 6 hours), and 5 white fantails: approval; yours first: Owen, 62, Glen-rd., Rothwell, nr. Kettering. (1992)

EXCHANGE phonograph and 13 records for a pair Borders; good Bull bitch for sale, D.S.P.G., want £4 for it, or a bit in exchange for Yorkshire dog: James Kenyon, New Agent, Chatham-st., Sheffield. (1)

SMOOTH even-marked fox terrier dog, 12 months, good ratter; exchange large unflighted Norwich hen, sell 10/-; few large buff Yorks., 1914; cocks 7/-, hens 3/6: Richards, Glencreig Terrace, Abertillery, Mon. (1994)

BEAUTIFUL smooth fox terrier bitch, by Osterley, dam by Ch. Oxonian, due season, for high-class Yorks., or Norwich unflighted, value £3; approval, deposit, bargain: Hobman, Soulbury, Leighton Buzzard. (5)

WHAT offers in Yorkshire Canaries, for my noted Whippet stud dog (registered Dorset Boy), a winner on bench, or can have his service for one cock Canary: W. Foote, Chapel-st., Yetminster, nr. Sherborne, Dorset. (2000)

EXCHANGE large Parrot cage, 20 inches square, good as new, for two unflighted clear or variegated yellow Norwich hens for muling; must be very large, healthy birds: sell 10/-; approval: Reid, Cannon-st., Selkirk. (1998)

AVIARY moulted local show cocks, Goldfinch 4/6, Yellowhunting, Bullfinch, Linnet, Brambleffinch, 2/6 each; approval, exchange egg strain, Leghorn cockerel and pullet, or poultry hens: Waters, 39, Culverden avenue, Tunbridge Wells. (1)

WILL exchange three dozen Edison standard records and two cage moulted cock Goldfinches with hen Canaries for Green or Cinnamon Yorkshire Canaries, cock and hen unflighted; approval both ways: Williams, 31, Ashfield-rd., Salisbury. (1998)

GOLDFINCH Mule, 1st Leyton, what offers in Norwich hens, sell, 20/-; banjo and case, sell 30/-; what offers in Yorkshires: silk hat, size 6½, frock coat, check [illegible], nearly new, what offers in Rollers Bay [illegible]; 9, Hamfrith-rd., Stratford, Essex. (1999)

PAIR Tipplers, 4/-, sports coat 5/-, cycling breeches 6/6, lounge suit 10/6, for British Canaries, anything useful; also two Whitestone's English concertinas, in case, 25/- and £3 10/-: F. Dawson, 15, Cumberland Par., Willesden Junction N.W. (1)

EXCHANGE three hand-mounted large Green-fronted bred Mules, for large singing house-moulted Linnet; also Indian Green Parrot and cage will make good talker, exchange for fowls, birds or [illegible]: Ley, 17, Waungoch, Nantymoel, Glam.

HANDSOME Parrakeet and cage, splendid plumage, thoroughly acclimatised, exceptional mimic, 25/-; concertina and case, as new, 15/-; solid silver verge watch, 20/-; exchange Parrot, Pom. bitch; offers: Sheldon, Manchester-rd., Tideswell. (6)

EXHIBITORS, all my stock for sale, 2 H.M. Goldies, 2 Linnets, 3 F.M. Bullies, 1 Goldie, 1 hen Goldie, 1 hen Bullie, all fit for immediate showing; exchange gramophone and records, and little cash, or best cash offer, chance seldom got: Roberts, Saracens Hotel, Cerrigydruidion, Corwen. (1994)

GENT'S silver English lever, capped, jewelled, correct timekeeper, new condition, Robinson, of Birmingham, maker, sell 20/-, cost 5 guineas; exchange Canaries, Goldfinches, or Mules: also black Schipperke dog pup, small, 4 months, good follower; exchange or sell 21/-: Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (4)

GRAMOPHONE, 40 10in. double-sided records, all latest carols and war songs; exchange poultry or Canaries; two large yellow English rabbits, buck and doe; exchange Goldfinch Mule, must be good; good silver lever watch, over four ounces in weight; exchange Goldfinch Mule, must be good: N. Bennett, No. 14, Edward-rd., Long-lane, Halesowen. (1996)

£1 BALE

of wallpaper, full value, for two singing cock Canaries: The Exchange Co., 355, London Road, Sheffield. (2)

SITUATIONS.

COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's bird seeds and foods, good commission: Trower, 442, Caledonian-rd., London.

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GOLDFISH, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 per dozen; cans, 3d. and 6d.; trade supplied: R. Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

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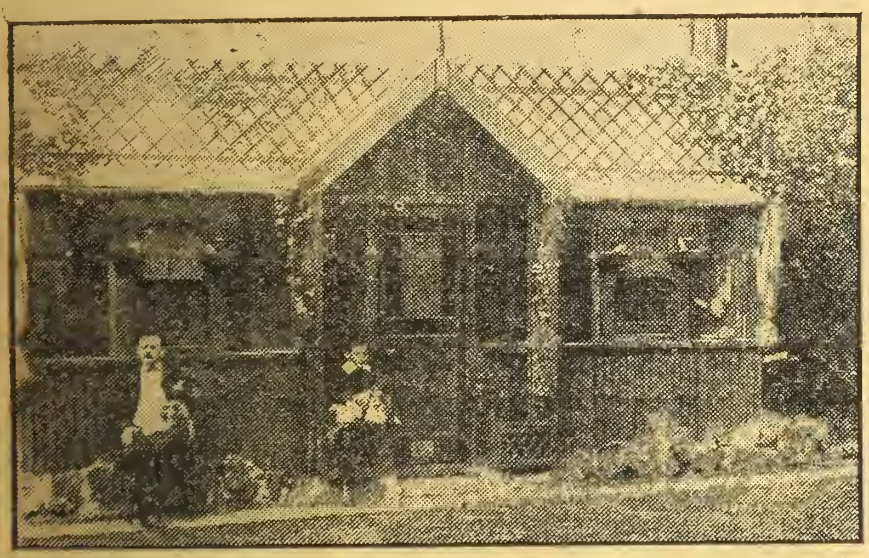

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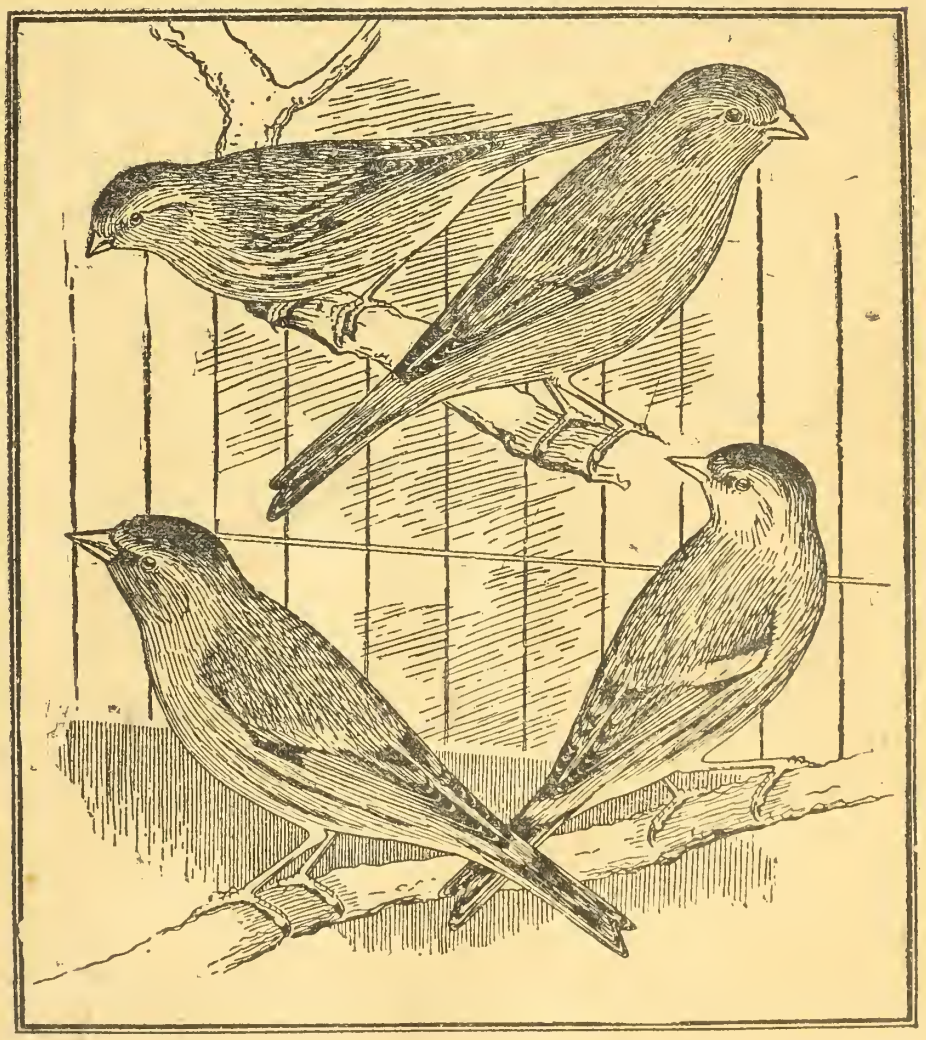

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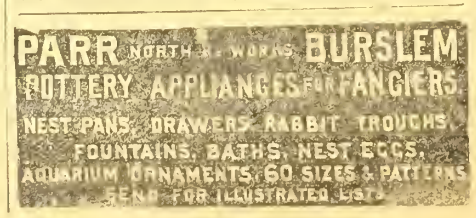
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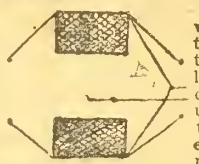

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Splendid invention, no brace-bird required, stuffed safety decoy, moves on flirt-stick on balanced spring; Linnets 2/6, Goldfinches 3/-; bird and fittings complete: Hipperson, Wayeney Wharf, Beccles. (1913)

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Cock Goldfinches, the finest that can be found in the length and breadth of England, every bird fit to win in the keenest of competition, and as big as Siberian Goldfinches, and warranted sure mulers and prize-takers, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6 each, or 2 for 8/-, cash or deposit at "Cage Birds": Power and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. Est. a century. (1a)

TO BE GIVEN AWAY

at the ridiculous low prices to clear, the room is wanted: 10 storming Bramblefinches, good typical specimens, full of colour and markings, 5/-, 10/-, 15/-, only want to be seen to convince you they are honestly worth double; six extra large Goldfinches, those with the good square blazes, best of wings and tannings, fit to win anywhere, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, six tip-top Linnets, real good birds, colour and pencilling is all that can be desired, 10/-, 15/-; two lovely Twites, colour and markings of the best, 10/-; one good Yellow Greenfinch, 7/6; one cock Yellowhammer, the best headed bird ever seen, clear and distinct V; the above collection I purchased from one of the leading exhibitors who has not the time to exhibit now; they are really good specimens and fit for immediate exhibition, and should hold their own in good company, in fact, several of the above have won for me this season. Now, exhibitors, wake up if you require one of the best hargains you have ever had; all on 24 hours' approval; cash or deposit with Editor: W. Cottingham, 9, Peveril-st., Nottingham. 'Phone 5752.

Goldfinches, Linnets, Chaffinches, Larks

I HAVE on hand a grand stock of Worcestershire cock Goldfinches, thoroughly on hard seed, warranted cocks, 1/9, 2/- each, three 4/6, six 8/-, few specially selected cock Goldfinches in song, 3/-, 4/- and 5/- each; hen Goldfinches, 1/-, three 2/6, warranted Red-breasted cock Linnets, 9d., three 2/-, three 3/6, 5/6 dozen; few specially selected, in song, very steady, tho right class of birds for showing, muling or contest singing, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; cock Chaffinches, 8d., three 1/6; selected, in song, 1/-, 1/6 each; cock Greenfinches, 6d., three 1/-; selected fo rshowing or muling, 1/-, 1/6 each; hen Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Linnet, 4d. each; cock Larks, in full song by day and gaslight, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; self-acting spring trap-nests, best on market, 18in. by 24in. 1/-, 26in. by 30in. 1/2, 24in. by 36in. 1/9; carriage paid; everything on approval at my risk; cash or deposit and money returned if not satisfied; travelling cages, 3d. each: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham.

Softbills.

WANTED, any variety for cash: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury Avenue, London. (14)

SELECTED cock Thrushes, 1/- each: William Wright, 54, Shellfield-rd., Marsheide, Southport. (15)

UNBEATABLE Waxwing cock, superbly colour-fed, A1 throughout, £1 15/-: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (18)

TWO cock Blackbirds for sale, one white ring round neck, 7/-; all black, 3/-: D. Smith, 98, Howard-st., Oxford. (16)

GRAND cock Blackbirds in fine feather, beginning to open, 1/6 each: F. W. Stowe, Expert, Cornwell, Chipping Norton. (17)

ALMOST given away—Selected cock Skylark in cage and 1lb. special food, 2/-; two, 3/6: Bannister, 24, Hulme-st., Burnley. (1984)

TWO cock Blackcaps, twice house-moulted, in full song and plumage, 10/- each; approval: Robinson, 14, Mozambique-st., Clitheroe. (10)

WANTED cocks, Jenny Wren and yellow or black and white Wagtail; state price and particulars: "B.," 126, Warton-st., Lytham. (11)

(SINCO), the world's celebrated food, for Larks, Thrushes, Blackbirds, and all softbills, 1 large package, Cooper, Seed-man, Princes-st., Manchester. (21)

FINGER-TAME cock Lark, in grand song, splendid attraction, 2/-; with bow front cage, 3/6 lot; also good cock Thrush, 3/6; cash or deposit: Fred Allen, Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (24)

WINNERS for the Welsh National, grand black Redstart, 50/-; exceptionally fine Treecreeper and Goldcrest, 30/- each; Tree Pipit, clinker, 20/-; all ready to put down, with show cages if desired: Frost, 13, Fairlawn-ave., Chiswick, London. (24)

ONLY a few left, Devonshire Woodlarks, warranted cocks in song, 3/6 each; Sib. hen yellows, buffs, bred Light Mules, 7/6 each: Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (13)

WANTED cock Robin, tame, good plumage and song, also good upstanding cock Lark, hand-reared: Cowley, Kilsby, Rugby. (13)

Miscellaneous.

DEVONSHIRE Novellarks, warranted cocks 2/-, Bullfinches 2/6 pair: William Marks, Jun., 17, Dean-st., Crediton, Devon. (15)

GOLDFINCHES, warranted September caught cocks, 2/6 and 3/- each; hen Finches, 11/- doz.; cock Larks, 2/6 doz.: Perkins, Aviary, Chatteris. (10)

LARKS, Larks, grand cock Larks, 3/- doz.; Yellowhammers, 1/- pair; hen Linnets, Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen: G. Rowe, Bird-catcher and Dealer, Chatteris. (14)

LARKS, Larks, large upstanding cock Larks, not to be beaten, size and quality, 3/- doz.; few special cock Linnets, 1/- each; hen Linnets, Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen; the old firm can supply: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (13)

BEAUTIFUL cock Linnets, singing, 1/-, with new cage, 2/6; Bullfinch cocks, 3/-; hens, 1/9; Goldfinches, real beauties, 4/-, 5/-; Larks, singing, 2/-; Greenfinches, gems, 1/6 each: W. Johnson, 55, George-st., Leeds. (21)

RED-BREASTED Linnets, 3 for 1/6, 5/- dozen; Larks, warranted cocks, 3/6 doz.; 3 picked, 1/6; hen Linnets, picked cock Greenies, 1/6 doz.; clean, healthy birds; none others sent: J. Whiteley, Boston-rd., Holbeach. (22)

AFTER sending to dealers have few following selected for sale: Bramblefinch, Greenfinch, Twite, Linnet, Lark, 1/6 each; nice cage with each free; double-compartment trap cage and Goldfinch Mule call birds, 2/-: Bannister, 24, Hulme-st., Burnley. (23)

SELECTED birds, well on hard seed; cock Goldfinches, 2/6, hens 1/6; cock Bullfinches 2/6, hens 1/6; cock Redpolls, 1/-, hens 6d.; cock Greenfinches 1/-, hens 6d.; cock Woodlarks, 2/6, hens 1/6; Barbary Doves, 2/6 pair: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (22)

WARRANTED cock Bramblefinches, 2/- dozen; Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; Linnets, 4/6 dozen; 36 mixed seedeaters, 2/-; 12 brighter mixed, 1/-; selected for show, cocks, Bramblefinch, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Linnet, Redpoll, Lark, Yellow Bunting, Reed Bunting, 1/- each; well on food: J. Fenn, Bird Specialist and Judge, Westcliff Villas, Isleham, Cambs. (1985)

W. BRAIN

Cocks, Linnets, hen Canary, sure mulers, 3/6; Linnet, full song, 1/6; Larks, full song, 1/6; carriage paid: Brain, 288, Lichfield-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (16)

NOTICE, £100 REWARD

to any judge or exhibitor, breeder, catcher, or dealer who can prove that we send out hens for cocks, or fresh-caught birds; notice, giant dark brown rose-breasted cock Linnets, every bird warranted, sure mulers and prize takers, and fit for singing contest, only 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each, 3 for 2/6, 12 for 7/6; hens, 1/- dozen; English cock Meadow Larks, sure contest singing, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each, or three for 2/6, dozen 7/6; hens, 1/- dozen; giant cock Bramblefinches, fit to win in the keenest of competition, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each; monster cock Bullfinches, 2/6 and 3/6 each; muling hen Bullfinches, 2/-, 2/6 each; cock Chaffinches, in grand plumage, 1/-, 1/6 each; Yellowhammers, fit to win, 1/-, 1/6 each; cock Twites, 1/-, 1/6 each; cock Cirl Bunting, very scarce, and sure prize-taker, 7/6; giant English cock Goldfinches, fit to win in the keenest of competition, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each; hens, 1/- each; cock Reed Buntings, 1/6, 2/- each; cock Hawfinches, 6/6, 7/6 each; giant cock Greenfinches, 6d., 1/-, 1/6 each; Tree Sparrows, 8d., 10d., 1/- each; cock Siskins, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6 each; hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; all travelling cages free; singing of showing cages for the above, 1/-, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6; established a century; cash or deposit at CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1975)

CANARIES.

Border Fancy.

BREEDER'S CARD.

BURTON BROS., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E. Breeders of high-class Borders, all varieties. Prices moderate; state wants.

BORDERS, six cocks, 3/6 each; four hens, 7/6; fine stock strain: Rodger, Earlston, Berwickshire. (23)

GOOD Border Fancies: cocks and hens, Greens, Cinnamons, Etc.; approval: McMillan, 67, College-st., Dumfries. (19)

FOR sale prize-bred Borders, cinnamons and greens, cocks or hens; prices reasonable: Jas. Glass, Spencerfield, Hamilton. (1994)

TYPICAL Borders for sale, clears, marks, cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/-: Wm. Poole, 37, Frostons-rd., Workington. (14)

PRIZE-BRED birds for sale, yellows and buffs, cocks 5/-, hens 2/6; approval willingly: Adam, 225, Montrose-st., Brechin. (3)

CINNAMONS; "it's a pinch you'll win" if you get your breeding pairs from: Wilson, "Glendyne," Southpark-rd., Hamilton. (1997)

HIGH CLASS Cinnamon Borders, show or stock; matched pairs from 10/- upwards; approval: Young, 76, Burn-rd., Rutherglen.

TWO marked yellow Border hens, 1st and 3rd Kendal, Dec. 26, 12/ the 2; approval: J. Dickinson, Serpentin-terrace, Kendal. (14)

CINNAMONS; Wilson's are unbeatable, but don't measure their price by their winnings; they are easy bought; Address above. (1997)

BORDERS; finish showing, can supply singles or matched pairs, grand winning strain, reasonable; stamp: Craig, High-st., Brechin. (1999)

SOME real quality Borders for sale, all related to my winners, prices moderate, to clear; approval: G. my winners, prices moderate, to clear; approval: G. (1982)

H. Pratt, Strand Dairy, Exmouth.

NOTICE.—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

WILSON supplies greens, cinnamons and cloures, all colours, at wee prices; state wants; stamp for reply: Address above. (1997)

ONLY four pairs left, including clears and yellow marks, 7/6 and 10/- a pair; bargains to clear, on approval: Weir, Hamilton-place, Penicuik. (1998)

CHAMPION matched pair exhibition Borders, from Palace winners, 10/6; approval willingly, deposit: Anthony Hay, Main-rd., Tweedmouth, Berwick. (1998)

FEW smart Border Fancies, pairs from 10/6, odd cocks from 7/6; typical and the best of quality, approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (1994)

PRIZE-BRED self-green Borders, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6; cock Goldfinch, bred mules, safe with eggs, 7/6; approval: Barber, Hackley-rd., Wilnecote, near Tamworth. (1992)

CRABB and Finlayson have some winners for sale, clears and marks; three young yellow hens, almost even, best blood obtainable, reasonable; approval: 120, Montrose-st., Brechin. (4)

CHOICE lot of typical good Borders for show or stock purposes, all varieties in clears and greens, satisfaction guaranteed, prices 5/- upwards; approval: J. B. Richardson, 22, English-st., Dumfries. (2)

ROBERT LAMBIE, The Aviaries, Whitburn, Linlithgowshire, can spare only a few pairs of his cups and medals winning strain, Greens, Cinnamons, Clears, also young buff hen, all varieties; cheap, approval. (10)

I CAN supply good stock Borders, Cinnamons, Greens, clears, same strain as my winners at Forfar, Avonbridge, Whitburn, Glasgow, Wishaw and Edinburgh; prices reasonable: Apply, A. Reid, 19, Holmes-st., Hamilton. (1990)

DON'T miss these: Grand clear yellow cock, 7/6; marked buff hen, beautiful quality, 3/6, or 9/6 the pair; clear yellow hen, 5/-; marked yellow cock, even marked strain, 8/6; cinnamon hen, 3/-; approval: Burton Bros., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E. (23)

WINNERS and highest class stock birds; cocks, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each; hens, 2/3, 3/6; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6 upwards; cages, 3d.; don't go by the price, but the quality, for I offer birds worth pounds for shillings; have on approval and test this fact: W. Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

Cinnamons.

CINNAMONS, good and cheap: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

WANTED, large, typical, clean, healthy Norwich Cinnamons for prompt cash; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1984)

MRS. TWEDDLE, Wimberley-st., Blackburn, has for sale Cinnamons and Norwich Plainheads, also few Greens; approval; stamp. (1996)

RELUCTANTLY obliged to give up breeding Cinnamons; have a few splendid pairs to dispose of, Godley's strain: Peake, 676, Oakhill, Stoke-on-Trent. (24)

BARGAINS in Cinnamons: One yellow, two buff cocks, one yellow, one buff hen, all prize breeds, at reasonable prices; cold-room bred; on approval: 34, Wenlock-rd., Simonside, Tyne Dock. (17)

GOOD buff cocks and hens, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-; bred from my winners Liverpool, Manchester, Bradford, Scotch National; approval: Rev. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland. (13)

BIG healthy good colour birds, 1914 bred; cocks, 7/6 and 9/6; hens, 4/6 and 6/6; matched pairs, 10/6, 12/6 and 15/-; kept in cold room; absolutely hardy: Wren, 84, Leslie-rd., East Finchley, N. (1991)

Belgians.

BELGIAN and Yorkshire cross, yellow cocks and hens, buff cocks and hens; Welch, 93, Fox-rd., Sheffield. (1993)

BELGIANS, several good birds for sale, from my well-known winners; cheap; approval: Horrill, King Edward-st., Barnstaple. (1990)

SEVERAL grand Belgians disposal, including first-class yellow cocks and hens cheap; approval: George Baker, Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (13)

CHAMPION Belgians, grand birds disposal, same strain my championship winners last two Palace shows; cheap; approval: G. S. Baker, Georges-rd., Barnstaple. (15)

Crests and Crestbreds.

WANTED, really good Crested Cinnamon cock: William Tatman, Midland-rd., Wellingborough.

SPLENDID Crests or Crestbred, stock or exhibition, cheap, approval: Gibson, 39, Craven-st., Middlesbrough. (20)

J. GILLESPIE has few Crest and Crest-breds left, cocks and hens, very cheap to clear: 19, Allergate, Durham. (1)

TWENTY Crested and C.B. for sale, 12/6 pairs, or £5 10/- the lot; a bargain: Dean, 24, Chester-terrace, Brighton. (7)

T. R. IND, 30 years breeds, has few useful Crest and Crest-bred stock birds: Highbury Parade, Cotham, Bristol. (16)

A FEW good stock Crests and Crestbreds for sale, cheap to clear; inspection invited: Geo. Smart, Carmyle, Glasgow. (23)

EVINS BROS. offer Crests and Crestbreds, from 10/- to 60/-, healthy; inquiries invited; approval. 259 High-st., Exeter. (11)

J. MEMMOTT offers a few good Crests and Crestbreds from 15/- each; approval: 55, Meersbrook-rd., Heeley, Sheffield. (198.)

C. ROBERTS can spare few of his noted Crests and Crestbreds from 15/6; state wants: Stanhaley, Newton-drive, Blackpool. (24)

BUFF hens, grizzle Crested, 5/-; ticked C.B., 6/-; buff cinnamon ticked C.B. cock, 7/6: Smithson, Basinghall-square, Leeds. (8)

G. WARD offers two variegated Crestbred cocks at 12/6 each; fine birds: 62, Freegrove-rd., Caledonian-rd., London. (1993)

EXCHANGE good Crested hen, value £2, for Green Crested-bred cock, must be good: Williamson, 24 Newcastle-rd. Nottingham. (16)

FOURTEEN buff, nearly green Crestbred cocks and hens, 10/6 each, carriage paid: J. Maddocks, Cowley Manor, Gardens, Cheltenham. (18)

CREST and Crest-breds, pairs from 12/- to 30/-, several green hens from 6/-; approval; stamp: Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (1976)

CRESTS and Crest-breds, several good pairs at reasonable prices; few single birds cheap: William Tatman, Midland rd., Wellingborough.

MRS. THOS. TAYLOR'S champion strain: a few good stock birds for sale reasonable; approval; stamp reply: 68, Edward st., Gateshead. (20)

NOTICE: A few Crests and Crestbreds for sale, or useful exchange, very cheap, large and useful stock birds: W. Brown, Bargate, Derby. (13)

WELL-BRED young Crested and Crest-bred Canaries, 10/6, 12/6, 14/-; hens, 10/6, 12/6; approval: Miss Hacker, Beechcount, St. Helens Park-rd., Hastings. (15)

NOTICE: Grand lot Crests and Crest-breds for show or breeding, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Scabright, Castle-Douglas.

W. RADMORE, 17, Chaddlewood-aven., Plymouth, has for disposal a few high-class Crests and Crest-breds, show or stock, from 10/- upwards; stamp reply. (1993)

JIM TAYLOR can spare parents of his young Crest, price £7, both show birds, others same blood reasonable; all good birds; approval, stamp: Robson-st., Shildon. (17)

BREEDER has some Crests and Crest-breds to sell from 15/- pair; also a few Yorkshire clear and cinnamon marked; approval: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-av., Forest Gate, Essex. (1980)

EXCHANGE two first-class cock Goldfinch Mules and one cock Linnet Mule for Crested Canaries must be good birds; what offers: Pegrum, Market-Hill, Sudbury, Suffolk. (15)

HIGH-CLASS Crest pairs, from 30/- to 8/-; Crest cocks from 15/- to 100/- each; Crestbred cocks, 15/- to 40/- each; no odd hens, no cards please: Compton, Waddesdon, Bucks. (10)

SEND for particulars, or state requirements, must clear a few of my prize strain Crested and Crest-bred, cocks and hens from 10/-; on approval: Cubitt, 184, Thorpe-rd., Norwich. (13)

ON account of giving up the Fancy I have the whole of my stock of high-class Crests and Crest-breds for sale; approval: H. Cowperthwaite, 11, Trevitt-st., Nottingham. (1998)

HIGH-CLASS Crests, few good birds for sale, best blood in England, 35 years breeder of the best, judge of many shows, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1976)

DOUBLE-crested variegated buff Crest-bred cock 17/6; two clear buff Crest-bred cocks, 15/-, 12/6; excellent value; or what offers to clear; approval: W. Stevens, 9, Colvile-st., Derby. (17)

T. J. King, Ingogo, Cheltenham, offers most of his show Crests, Crestbreds, including yellows, buffs; he has won 8 firsts at three shows this season, grand stock birds from 20/- each; approval. (1961)

CHAMPION Crest and Crest-bred of my Palace and cup winners; this strain has won all over England; many good birds to part with, both sexes: Bewick, 7, Newfield, S.O., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (20)

CRESTS and Crest-breds, best blood in the world. Have selected my breeders, a few of this splendid strain to spare at 30/- upwards the pair; also singles; stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (1979)

CREST and Crest-bred; Geo. Williams, 50a, Lower Union-st., Torquay, one of the oldest breeders in the Fancy; have bred and shown some of the best ever seen on the show bench; price from 5/- to £10; on approval. (2000)

CREST, Crestbreds, have 20 high-class birds for sale, yellow and buff, clears or variegated, single or in pairs, from 30/- to £3 per pair, or would exchange for fresh blood: Keynes, Kington St. Michael, Chippenham, Wilts. (15)

J. ROWE, 19, Lipson-avenue, Plymouth, can spare Green Crest cock, clear Crestbred hen, 35/-; ditto pair, 30/-; Green Crest hen, lightly marked Crestbred cock, 18/6; Crest worth the money; own breeding; approval; stamp reply. (14)

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Crests, very heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, certain to breed winners, Palace winning strain, only 21/-; honestly worth £2; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (5)

F. G. BALE, 66, Victoria-st., Barnstaple, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Crests and Crestbreds, can spare 1914 clear buff Crestbred cocks, £7; ditto, £5; lightly marked, £5; 1914 variegated Crested cock, £6; ditto, £5; ditto, £3; approval; see reports. (1994)

GRAND Crested Norwich, clear body, dark crest, good bird, a beauty, with large green Crestbred hen, also clear Crestbred hen, marvellous size and feather, properly mated to breed winners, a bargain at 30/- the set, or would separate; worth £5: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (22)

HARRY MILLS, 96, Junction-rd., Northampton: Green Crested cock, winner 1st prize, and extra large hen to match, nearly clear, 70/-; one Crested-bred cock, variegated, large bird, 30/-; large Green Plainhead cock, Cinnamon bred, useful bird, 15/-; Crested hen, crest beak end, 12/6; approval, cash deposit. (18)

WING-marked 1913 dark crested cock, £2; monster tick buff Crest-bred cock, £3; variegated 1913 Crest-bred cock, 20/-; thick bodied young variegated Crest-bred hen, 30/-; another, 20/-; all guaranteed our own breeding; see reports Gateshead, L.C.B.A.; approval: Walter Radley anr Son Paradise Square, Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (17)

ALWAYS IN IT

What Colledge's Crests and Crestbreds every year? Ticked buff Crestbred, 1913 cock, just the sort to breed winners, 60/-; 1914 variegated Crested cocks, 40/-; guaranteed long-fronted strain: Colledge, Kilburn, Derby. (13)

AFTER DISAPPOINTMENT

elsewhere with birds offered you, accompanied with absurd glowing descriptions, state requirements, and let me send on approval—for quality is the only true test of cheapness; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

Lancashires.

YELLOW Plainhead hen, 10/-; buff ditto, 8/-; 1914 bred; stamp reply: Adams, Bedford-st., Rochdale. (20)

T. R. IND, 30 years breeder of pure Lancashires, useful stock birds for disposal: Highbury Parade, Cotham, Bristol. (16)

WANTED, two Lancashire Plainhead clear yellow 1914 hens, for muling: Bousfield, Midgham, Queen's Park West Drive, Bournemouth. (13)

GOOD buff Lancashire Plainhead cock, bred double coppy, father Palace Championship winner, 20/-; buff Plainhead hen, 10/6: Green, 168, High-st., Lowestoft. (23)

BUFF Coppy, Buff Plainhead cocks, few Buff Coppy, Buff Plainhead hens, 10/- each; Lancashire Norwich cross buff hen, 4/-, two buffs, 3/-; two yellows, 4/-; Norwich hens, bred Mules, yellow Siskin Mule cock, 5/-; twice house-moulted hen Bullfinch, 4/-; ditto Redpoll cock, 1/6, big birds: Kay, 12, Hollins-rd., Macclesfield. (1)

Lizards.

GOLD LACE silver cock, 2nd Plymouth, for silver hen: J. Rowe, 19, Lipson-avenue, Plymouth. (14)

FRED HAMER, 78, Ronald-st., Oldham champion strain of Lizards, pairs for sale, spare hens, also prize cocks. (1973)

ALL bred from winner [illegible] 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 up.; hens, 2/6, 4/6, 5/6 up. [illegible] 2/6, 10/6, 12/6, 5/-; cages, 3d.; approval with [illegible] Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

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Champion Norwich. 20/-, 30-/, 40/-, 50/- per pair.

The above strain needs no bounce. All I need do is to refer you to the reports of leading shows. My birds are winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. I have also bred and sold birds that have won for my clients all over the country. Testimonials in proof of this are always open for the inspection of my visitors. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Good Cobby Hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-** each. Matched breeding pairs, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-** per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, **6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Erect racy Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. Matched Breeding Pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES,** bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate beuching, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** each upwards.

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British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each. Hens, same pure strain, **3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-.** Matched Pairs, **10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-.**

Mules.—Over 150 Goldfinch and Linnet Mule cocks in full song, **7/6, 8/6, 10/6** each. Few extra large Dark Mules, fit for exhibition, **12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-** each.

Crests and Crestbreds.—I have an exceptionally large and choice selection of this variety, including some very large, massive birds, with plenty of feather. **Cocks, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each upwards. **Hens, 5/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6** upwards. **Splendid Matched Pairs, 15-, 17/6, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-** per pair.

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My Norwich have constantly won for many years. They have **won several Champion Diplomas, Silver Cups, Medals,** and hosts of other prizes, in **best shows** in England, including **Crystal Palace.** I have at this moment one of the **finest collections of Norwich** to be seen, and I invite inspection any weekday, only send postcard when coming. **I hold none back.** Will sell any of my best, single birds **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 20/-;** pairs, 17/-, 21/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/- per pair; few extra good pairs, 50/- to 60/- per pair. **Show birds** from 40/- to £10 each. No odd yellow hens.—**J. Hodder, 6, Banner Street, St. Luke's, London, E.C.**

A RARE CHANCE

Owing to change of residence clearing out all Norwich but three pairs; buff cocks, plenty of size, grand heads, 10/- upwards; buff hens, beauties, 10/- to 20/-; a number of yellow hens from 7/6, all unflighted; approval: Rev. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland. (13)

W. N. TURNER,

The Champion Norwich Breeder of 18 Years' Standing.

Winner of 3 Diplomas, Gold Medals, and over 1,500 Prizes won at Crystal Palace, Scottish National, Manchester, etc., etc. I have bred and supplied birds which have won at Manchester, Liverpool, Halifax, etc., this year, and have still large stock left to select from, related to my well-known winners. Prices reasonable; inspection invited; approval willingly.—**3a, Percival St., Hightown, Manchester.**

C. W. Silk, Glen Rosa, Emsworth

See report in "Cage Birds" for recent wins at Watford, Scottish National, L.C.B.A., Woolstone, Reading, etc. I have some noted winners for disposal in yellows and buffs, also matched stock pairs to breed winners, from 30/- to £5; also a few good hens, yellows and buffs, from 10/-, to 40/-; approval willingly. This strain is winning at all the leading shows. (22)

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's). 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

J. DIMMOCK, Glucke and Waterglucke Rollers, same strain as my cup winner, from 12/-, hens 5/-; B.R.C.C. rung: 49, Providence-st., Cradley Heath.

MISS THOMAS, Breeder and Trainer Seifert Rollers; finest strain birds for sale, moderate prices: Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1893)

SEIFERT and Glucke Rollers, 12/- the pair, Club rung, 1914: R. Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot.

WANTED, Rollers, either sex, for cash: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury-avenue, London. (14)

ROLLER cocks, in full song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9, 7/9; hens, 1/9 and 2/9; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres. (22)
N.B.

FOULD'S strain, 1914, Club rung, cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, hens 4/6 each: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (2000)

SPENCER, 15, Milnthorpe-st., Pendleton, Manchester, has 16 Roller hens, 2/6 each, or 35/- lot; no cocks left. (18)

PURE Roller cocks, full song, none better, prices 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; hens, 2/6: John Bennett, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (20)

GLUCKE Rollers, B.R. rung, cocks from 10/6, hens 5/-, or exchange: Brown, 220, Tah Bank-rd., Oldbury, Birmingham. (17)

BRITISH-BRED Rollers, fine songsters, two cocks, 6/6 each; 3 hens, 2/6 each; all clears: Hugh Wadey, Billingshurst. (14)

SMART young Roller hens, 1/6 each; cocks guaranteed singing, 4/6 each; approval: W. Moses, Yearsley Bridge, York. (16)

HENS, hens, hens!—Walton's champion Glueke, Water Glueke strain, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6: Walton, 6, Cross Green-cres., Leeds. (2)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke hens, Randall's strain, 2/6 each, 2 for 4/6, B.R.C. rung: Griffiths, 18, William-st., Lower Ince, nr. Wigan. (17)

EIGHT B.R.C.C. Randall's Roller hens, 1914, breed winners, 5/- each; lot cheap; approval, deposit: Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (23)

DEEP Glucke Rollers, winning strain, cocks 10/6, 12/6, hens 3/6; bargains; approval: Parker, 16, Freston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (14)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks in full song, from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne. (13)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942)

ROLLERS, British-bred, Randall's cold-room, perfect health, full song, cocks 7/6, matched pairs 10/-: Close, 33, Chesterfield-rd., Blackpool. (12)

GLUCKE Rollers, B4 rung, cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each; hens, 5/- each; approval: L. Smith, 19, Lichfield-rd., Newinvention, Wolverhampton. (13)

RANDALL's pure hollow roll strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, hens 4/-: cash or deposit; approval willingly: Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1992)

BUTTERWORTH'S pure Seifert Rollers, full rolling song, cold-room, 1914 bred; cocks, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-; approval: 7, Highfield-rd., Early, nr. Colne. (20)

GRAND lot English bred Roller Canaries; cocks, full song, 6/6, 7/6; hens, 3/-, 4/-, cash with order: Cooper, Roller Fancier, Princess-st., Manchester. (21)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, cocks full song, 8/6, 10/-; hens, 3/-, 4/6; approval, cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Bradford. (17)

HIGH-CLASS 1914 Glucke Rollers, pure Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/6, hens 4/-; approval, cash or deposit: F. G. Martin, 43, Park-rd, Wellingborough. (12)

BELGIAN lady must sacrifice her high-class Rollers, full song cocks, 10/-, 15/-; cost double; approval, deposit: Madame Amos, 22, Ladbroke-cres., Notting Hill, London. (5)

WANTED 1914 Roller cock for good top-coat, suit man 5ft. 6in. to 5ft. 9in., or sell 12/6; will give little extra cash for extra good bird: G. George, 47, Cavendish-st., Sheffield. (23)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke Rollers, one 22 points at Manchester Contest, 15/-; also some of the same strain, 10/6 each; hens, 3/6; B.R.C.C. rung: Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot. (1)

YOUNG pure-bred British Roller cock, in full song, guaranteed, and a new drawing-room cage, 6/6 lot, and some pure-bred Roller hens, 2/- each: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (18)

GLUCKE Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, bred from birds bought from Mr. Ives last season; stock cocks 12/6; hens, 7/6; parents also for sale; going abroad: Blacker, 20 Victoria-square, Clifton, Bristol. (18)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, cocks in song from 10/6; pairs from 12/6; hens 3/6; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-ter., Bradford-rd., Batley, Yorks. (16)

YOUNG Roller cock, fourth prize, 24 points Birmingham, 76 birds in class, £2; nest sisters, 8/- each; parents bred by Randall, £2; approval; member B.R.C.C.: Sauter, 41, Rosemary-rd., Peckham, S.E.

RANDALL'S selected strain; T. Twigg, winner of 5 cups, numerous B.R.C.C medals, champion diplomas, hens of the same strain, 5/-; one B2 Glucke bird, 20/-; or exchange: 6, Stafford-st., Bilston (12)

CANARIES, pure young Rollers, bred off B.R.C.C. stock, day and gaslight songsters; also a few hens, the finest in the Midlands; outdoor aviary bred: G. Mann, 30, Campbell-st., Brockmoor, near Brierley Hill. (1991)

ROLLERS, eight only, very fine cocks, grand singers, pure rolls, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each; Roller shutter cages, 12 by 12 by 6, 2/9; approval; price list free: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (21)

GREAT sacrifice; I am prepared to sell ten high-class Roller cocks and seven hens, four B.R.C.C. rung, for 72/6; or single birds, cocks 7/6, hens 2/- each; deposit, Editor: J. C. Reynolds, Walberswick, Southwold. (9)

A. GOODING has several Glucke and Water Glucke 1914 cock birds for sale from 10/6; bred from prize birds; hens, 3/6 to 12/6; all rung; approval willingly; member B.R.C.C.: 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (1991)

J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner of seven cups, 25 silver and bronze medals, has for sale few of his champion strain Roller Canaries; cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- upwards; hens, 7/6 and 10/- each; approval. (1)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

W. H. MORRIS, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham, winner at Leeds, Manchester, Wakefield, Wolverhampton, and Birmingham, 1913 and 1914 contests, has for sale cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- each; Glucke and Waterglucke strain; approval willingly. (1965)

TWO deep Water-Glucke cocks, B3, 12/6 each; 1914 cocks from 8/6: Waddicor, Holly-st., Rochdale. (15)

LOOK at this! Roller Schoolmaster, grand songster, Gove's strain, accept 10/-; bargain; approval, deposit: Wilson, Croft-ter., Hexham. (15)

GENUINE contest Rollers, guaranteed bred from Cadman's winning strain, and from actual winners, clog rung, matched breeding pairs from 20/-; cocks from 15/-; hens, 4/-; enquiries invited; all birds Glucke and Water-Glucke strain: Mayo, Oak-st., Wolverhampton. (7)

PRIZE-WINNER, 1st Birmingham, 4th Bolton, 28 points, 30/-; cocks, B4, from 12/6; hens 5/-, from winners. Dubliu, Jan. 15, 1915.—Birds arrived safely this evening, nothing the worse for their long journey. I am thoroughly pleased with them; many thanks for so nice a pair. : Hayward, Melksham. (17)

PURE Randall's, Water-Glucke Rollers, the premier strain of England, B4 stock cocks, 12/6; genuine contest singers, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-; B3 and B4 hens, 5/- each; every bird guaranteed, bred from actual winners; money refunded if not satisfied; approval, cash or C.B. deposit: Hoyle, Kitchen-terr., Grimsargh, Preston. Member B.R.C.C. (16)

RANDALL'S cup strain; young cocks, full song, contest trained, 15/-, 20/-; B4.5 scored 17, B4.5924 22 points at Bolton Roller contest this month, 22/6, 25/- only; B3.896 scored 22 points Birmingham last month, good schoolmaster, 25/-; hens for breeding winners, 5/-; all wearing closed Club ring; parents of these cost me £3 10/6, and £3 13/6 a couple; approval, deposit: Atherton, M.B.R.C.C., 36, Christian-rd., Preston.

GLUCKE and Bell-Glucke Rollers, same strain as my first and special for Glucke young bird champion class, fourth and special for bass old bird champion class at last International show London, also winner of several cups, teapots, silver and bronze medals, etc.; cocks, 15/-, 20/-; two fit for tutors, 25/- each; a few hens, same strain, cold-room bred, B.R.C.C. rung, 5/- each; or exchange pullets or anything useful: Bird, Brock-st., Bilston.

MR. E. E. WILSON

has a few Seifert hens for disposal, 2/6, 3/-; cocks all sold: 407b, West Green-rd., Tottenham London. (17)

CRYSTAL PALACE WINNERS

A few own youngsters, from first and third prize 1914 Palace winners for disposal, cocks and hens; also others of first-class strain; prices reasonable: Hy. Neve, Heathfield, Sussex. M.B.R.C.C. (1972)

Rollers—Real Hartz Rollers

Cock Canaries, the first lot offered this season, and the finest that could be purchased for cash; every bird in grand condition, and real schoolmasters, and contest singers, only, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each, or 42/- the stick of seven; hens, 1/6, 2/- each, 3 for 4/-; stick of 14 14/-; Belgian Rollers, cock Canaries, trained under the schoolmaster, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, 1/3, 1/6 each, 12/- dozen; cock Siskins, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; established a century; cash, or deposit Cage Birds: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1975)

BRITISH BRED ROLLERS

Having purchased the whole stock of Mr. Wirth, of Liverpool, including his winners, etc. I am offering cocks, in full song, at 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, and 25/- each; hens, 5/- each; all B.R.C.C. rung; also cabinets and training cages, to be cleared cheap; one Buhl's training organ, in perfect condition; first P.O. £2 secures it; originally cost £3 10/-; 1 Queck's organ, 30/-: R. Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

14 DAYS' TRIAL—OUR RISK

Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years and have received thousands of testimonials. Here are a few received this last few days. Mr. Daniel Jones, 12, Wind-st., Aberdare, writes: "Received the Roller safe. I am highly satisfied with my bargain." Mr. W. Wilson, 171, Bryan-st., Hanley, writes: "I am very pleased with the bird. Please send me a Roller hen." Mr. A. E. Jeffries, Hartforth, Richmond, Yorks. breeder and exhibitor: "Enclose, 5/- in settlement for the Roller cock, which has turned out the best I have ever had. You can rely on my orders." Mr. John Tunstall, 21, Hotspur-st., Backworth, Northumberland, writes: "Roller to hand all right on Tuesday morning. He has been singing day and night. These wonderful songsters, only 15/- each, on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks, and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised, and be your own judge. Hens same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each; Yorkshire, Norwich and other Canaries on the same terms; lists free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (1981)

WHERE DOES THE VALUE COME IN?

Well, according to the quality of song, and the only way to ensure satisfaction is to have on approval and hear for yourself. This, too, is the only safeguard against receiving unsound specimens dear at any price. Amongst the following are some very highly trained birds, which include water Glucke, pure Seifert, British-bred Rollers, Randall's etc.; cocks 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6; a grand lot of pure Randall's hens, 3/6 and 5/-, in finest breeding condition; if you pay 10/- each, you can get none better than these. I can strongly and honestly recommend them. Buy now, and save disappointment later; pair matched for breeding, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 25/-; cages 3d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

Hartz Canaries.

VOOGT'S STRAIN.

2 Hens in 1 wicker cage, **2/6.** 14 in 7 cages, **12/-.** Cocks only.
Class I., extra fine, **10/-.** 7 in row, **50/-.**
These are exceptionally good songsters, and highly marked.
Class II., 7/6 each. 7 in row, **42/-.**
These are wonderful songsters, high-class birds.
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These are the ordinary singing Roller.
I receive repeat orders everywhere. Universal satisfaction guaranteed, and has been given up till now. Cash with order only. Telephone 6341 Avenue.

JOHN HAMLYN

221, St. George's Street, London Docks, East.

Scotch Fancies.

TWO yellow cocks for sale, very cheap, 15/- each: Craig, 17, Grey-st., Wallsend-on-Tyne. (20)

FOR sale; 2 buff hens, 1 Green hen, cheap to clear: H. Siddons, 9, Sandholes, Paisley. (1984)

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young birds, all colours, cocks, hens, good birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley.

YELLOW-GREEN cock, 35/-; yellow cock, 20/-; young; approval: L. Jackson, Southfield, Kirkmuirhill. (1990)

FOUR buff and yellow pied hens, 2 buff cocks, show cages and rack: McIlwain, School Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1964)

SCOTCH Fancy Canaries, buffs and piebalds, cheap to clear, giving up breeding: Miller, 35, Deptford Bridge, Greenwich. (18)

FOR sale; some well bred birds, cocks and hens, at reasonable prices: James G. Millar, West Drumayne Farm, Govan. (1984)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, buff, piebald hens, clear yellow hens, green hens, clear buff cocks, buff piebald cocks; young birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley. (1996)

1913 YELLOW cock, 10/-; 1914 buff cock, 6/-; 1913 yellow hen, 6/-; 1914 yellow hen, 5/-; 1913 buff hen, 5/-; the above are of good type and feather, and bred from winners; see reports; approval willingly: Clee, Ironmonger, Treharris. (20)

FIFTY upstanding Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, bred from my winners, cold-room, seen any evening; approval willingly, deposit; cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (20)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, Yorkshire Specialists, unbeatable 30 years, championship, best in show, Palace, 1914. Some of the best living for disposal, wonderful length and quality; approval: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prizes to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

WANTED, Yorkshires: Pearson, Greenwich. (3)

C.F. cocks 7/6, hens 5/-; all one price, on approval: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (2000)

GOOD Yorkshire Canaries for sale, cheap: Hall, Rosapenna, Salfords, Horley. (1994)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch

SPENCER'S Yorkshires, 3 pair, from my winners, 7/- pair: 17, Wood End, Hebden Bridge. (13)

3/6 AND 4/6 hens, good strain, 12 for sale, £2 the lot: Willcox, 70, West Bars, Chesterfield. (13)

WANTED Yorkshires, for cash, either sex: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury Avenue, London. (14)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, a few pairs and odd cocks and hens cheap: 6, Eldon-rd. High-st., Walthamstow. (18)

YORKSHIRES, reducing stock, a few cocks for sale, cheap: Dunn, 24, Kennedy Drive, Partick, Glasgow. (15)

UNFLIGHTED buff Yorkshire cock, 25/-, winner; exchange: R. Scaife, 92, Chip Hill, Oakworth, nr. Keighley. (13)

E. A. LOVELL has few Yorkshires for disposal; cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, upwards: 24, Islington-rd., Southville, Bristol. (1997)

HIGH class Yorkshire cocks, cold room bred, from 12/6; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting Junction. (1976)

TWO smart unflighted Yorkshire cocks, yellow and buff, to clear 6/- each, worth double: Batten, Rosevean-rd., Penzance. (20)

FOR sale, prize bred Yorkshires, yellows and buffs, cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/6: Miss P. Philcox, Pre Fleuri, Horsell, Woking. (1992)

SMART Yorkshire cocks and hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; approval; bred from my champions: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall.

LOOK! Yorkshire pairs (1914), yellow cock, buff hen, at 10/-; good value, stamped reply: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. (1977)

YELLOW cock, 1914, 15/-; also buff hen, 1914, 10/-; grand pairs from 8/6; racy birds: Brown, 1, Ashbrook, Buckingham-st., Hull. (10)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from winners; cocks from 12/6, hens from 7/6; inspection invited: Harris, 9, Whitecross, Richmond, Surrey. (1994)

A CHAMPION'S strain of Yorkshires to clear, including winners; matched pairs from 10/6 each: 84, Chichele-rd., Cricklewood, London. (1995)

NOTICE: Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, S. ibright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

YORKSHIRE coc's, 1914, full song, cold room, week's aproval; letters only: Inman, 1a, Bassett-st., Kentish Town, London, N.W. (12)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire cocks, full song, 6/6 each, must clear; approval, cash, or deposit: Whiteley, Buckwood, Thackley, Nr. Bradford. (17)

WHAT offers? Yorkshires, yellow green cock, 3rd, buff Cinnamon hen, 1st; 2 foul buff cock, both 2nd: Holmes, 2, Kenmare-rd., Wavertree. (14)

FIVE good long unflighted yellow Yorkshire cocks, 10/-; would exchange for good yellow Norwich hens: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle. (13)

TWO buff unflighted Yorkshires for sale, good feather, cheap; inspection: Scudder, 45, Ashland House, Paddington-st., Marylebone, W. (18)

YORKSHIRES, buff cocks and hens, from 7/6 upwards, lovely feather, good upstanding birds, pairs 12/6: Craven, Yelverton-terrace, Plymouth. (15)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from winners, cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; inspection invited: Waraker, Auckland-st., Guisbrough, Yorks. (13)

FOR sale, Yorkshire Cauaries, cocks in full song, 8/-; hens, 2/6; pairs, 10/-; inspection invited: D., 47, Palmerston-st., Battersea Park-rd., London. (10)

FEW first-class Yorkshires from 12/6 pair; several typical yellow hens cheap; seen by appointment: Rorke, 50, Ringmer-avenue, Munster-rd., Fulham.

SEVERAL smart pairs slim stylish Yorkshires from 25/-; few odd hens from 7/6, rare quality; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London.

SIX Yorkshire hens, chiefly yellow, unflighted, for sale cheap, or exchange for a good buff Yorkshire cock: A. J. Clarke, 65, Copleston-rd., East Dulwich. (1980)

SIX yellow, 5 buff unflighted Yorkshire hens, bred from winners, highest offer gets the lot, or sell separately: Davis, 4, Church-rd., Bedminster, Bristol. (1990)

GRAND Yorkshires for sale, six hens, 16/6 the lot; three unflighted cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each: satisfaction guaranteed: A. Oxley, Lumb-lane, Liversedge. (16)

YORKSHIRES, splendid stock birds for sale, cheap, yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, pairs from 12/6; approval: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (15)

PAIR of high-class Yorkshires, from my Liverpool, Bradford National winners, sell 25/-; or exchange entertained: Pomfret, Wigan-rd., Westhoughton. (18)

YORKSHIRES, two grand unflighted yellow cocks, vhe only times shown, 15/- each; few pairs from 15/-; approval: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea, London. (18)

FEWSTER'S Yorkshires: Grand buff cock and yellow hen, 15/-; another pair, 12/6; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Smithybrook, Middlestown, Wakefield. (18)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire Canaries for sale, cocks from 8/6; hens from 4/6; matched pairs from 12/6: D. Fletcher, 27, Ellen-st., Hyde-rd., West Gorton, Manchester. (12)

YORKSHIRES, at 4 shows this season with 10 birds won 9 firsts, 4 seconds, 2 thirds, 7 specials; birds for sale, cocks 8/6, hens 4/-: Neighbour, 12, Arthur-rd., Holloway. (15)

THREE Yorkshire hens, lightly marked, 4/- each, 10/6 lot; also grand straight young cock, good size, shape, singing, 9/6; MacLellan, 42, Westbourne-gardens, Glasgow. (21)

J. BENTICK has a few grand unflighted cocks, 7/6 each; one buff off two yellows, 10/-: good stock bird; approval: 27, Tower-rd., Greencroft Cottages, Annfield Plain. (13)

BIRDS sent on approval to known fanciers; green-marked yellow hen, 10/-; yellow pink-eyed cock, 8/-; buff pink-eyed hen, 6/-: Mitchell, Stocks Bank, Mirfield. (14)

FANCIERS, if you write explaining your wants I will endeavour to supply and satisfy you: I have some decent birds for sale: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (1997)

BARNES has a few Yorkshires for sale, own breeding, same strain as his winners; cocks, 5/-; hens, 3/- upward; few pairs at 7/- to clear: 14, Windsor-rd., Hebden Bridge. (19)

GRAND buff Yorkshire cocks, 10/6, yellow cinnamon marked hens 7/6, buff cinnamon marked hens 5/6 each, carriage paid: J. Maddocks, Cowley Manor, Gardens, Cheltenham. (18)

TYPICAL Yorkshires for sale, 1914, cold-room bred, cocks in full song, green, buff, or variegated, 7/6 each; long buff hens, from winner, 5/- each: Adey, 56, St. Mary-st., Weymouth. (9)

TWO pairs clear 1913 buff cocks and yellow hens, 10/6 pair, good value; also few hens, 3/- each; secu any time; or approval "C.B." deposit system: 71, Kelvin-rd., Highbury, London. (23)

I HAVE some grand Yorks for disposal; cocks and hens in clears or marks; very reasonable prices, pairs from 10/-: approval: G. Simeon, 63, Beaconsfield-st., Acomb, York. (4)

HAVING bought Mr. Crisp's stock of Yorkshires, I still have some very typical cocks, for sale, also few cheap hens, all in good condition; approval: Knight, Holt, Shelford, Cambs. (1994)

LOOK, long clear yellow Yorkshire cock, splendid buff hen, 1913, cost 25/-; buff cock clear, 2 yellow hens, from above, 28/- lot: White, 118, Bramlon-rd., Cornwall-rd., Brixton Hill. (12)

CLEAR yellow cock, 2nd Leyton, lovely quality, 12/6; few marked yellow and clear buff cocks, all unflighted from 8/6; on approval; inspection invited: Colinge, 29, Balmoral-rd., Leyton. (18)

GIVING up: Four pairs of Yorkshires (Ambler's strain), 10/6 pair; hens, 2/6 and 3/6; six Yorkshire show cages, stock cages, bird-room utensils cheap to clear: Firth, Homes-st., Scunthorpe. (15)

EXTRA good, typical, long, slim Yorkshire hen, splendid quality, purchased from Potter, Hull, cup winner, 5/6; honestly worth 20/-; approval: Fred. Allen, 156, Portobello, Aviaries, Hull. (24)

TWO beautiful unflighted buff Yorks. hens, feathered like pot, bred from winners, 4/6 each, or 8/- the pair, not half their value; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

TWO grand upstanding clear yellow Yorkshire hens, 1914 bred, grand quality and feather, price 5/6 each, 10/- the two, not half their value North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

SEVERAL long, stylish yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6, 10/6; good hens, 3/6, 5/-; matched pairs, 12/-, 15/-; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (14)

EXCEPTIONALLY fine pair Yorkshires, 20/-; also fine yellow Norwich hen, 15/-; wanted, 1914 yellow and buff Norwich cock for stock; approval: Gardner, 20, Hartington-st., Handbridge, Chester. (21)

What Hundreds of Thousands

Have said, you will say, if you will only favour me with an opportunity to send any bird or birds you require on approval. As to Testimonials as proof, I shall be delighted to show any person favouring me with a call, more than they would otherwise believe. I have this week sent another batch for the Editor's inspection, and allow me to point out that these are not the savings of years, nor do I refer you to antediluvian opinions.—As a matter of fact, it is my opinion that the Editor of CAGE BIRDS has examined more thousands of testimonials sent by me than units of any other person or firm.

PLAIN-HEADED NORWICH Winners and stock as follows:—Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 4/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/- up.

YORKSHIRES The Extraordinary Value I am now offering in Yorkshires must be seen to be believed. Cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 20/-. These include many close and some fully 8 inches long, invaluable for small hens. Cages 3d.

For all other varieties and prices, see my 1915 Detailed Illustrated List.

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by joining my original Bird Club; distance no object.—

W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, NORWICH.

MIDLAND CHAMPION STRAIN

Winner over 1,000 prizes; still a few really fine birds; absolute gifts; pairs 10/- to 20/-; single birds proportionate, not quarter value; extraordinary opportunity for beginners; approval: Wells, Helmside, Erdington, Birmingham. (4)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Stock and show birds, the best obtainable, no fancy prices, all on ten days approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire. (1998)

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

can spare a few choice pairs of Yorks, related to our winners; see Y.U. shows; single birds proportionate; prices reasonable; cinnamon marks a speciality: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (3)

LAWRENCE LANE

has some grand Yorkshires for sale, long, slim, stylish birds, feathered like wax, cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-; pairs, matched, from 10/6; one extra long clear yellow unflighted, a gem, also clear buff, 1913, very stylish bird, both are grand birds for show or stock, 25/- each; approval: 27, Denton-st., Barnoldswick, Yorks. (10)

THE IRISH NON-SUCH

High-class Yorkshires cheap; state wants and price; enclose stamped envelope for a reply: M. Fleming, junr., Ligoniel, Belfast. (1998)

G. W. AULMAN

has a few good Yorkshires to spare, cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-, pairs from 12/6: inspection invited: 80, Barking-rd., Canning Town, London, E. (19)

BINGHAM & FURNESS

winners of the Sheffield challenge cup, 1907, 1909, 1913 and 1914; also Walkley cup 1913 and 1914; have some good birds to dispose of cheap; cocks, 5/6, 7/6 and 10/- each; hens, 3/6, 5/-, and 7/- each; pairs from 8/- upwards; inspection invited: 43a, Hawthorn-rd., Hillsbro, Sheffield.

J. C. BARNES

Sheffield cup winner outright. Few grand Yorkshires to spare, slim and lengthy, true position, superb quality and colour; cocks, 20/- up.; hens, ditto; special pairs, £3 to £5; inspection requested; approval: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

I have the finest stock of Yorkshires in Bradford that are for sale. Have on approval, or call and inspect and be convinced. All cold-room bred. Grand lengthy Yorkshire cocks, in full song, at 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; some grand stock birds, over 7in. long and feather like pot, at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; grand racy hens at 3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6, 10/- each; nearly all unflighted. Pairs, matched to breed winners, at 8/6 upwards. All coloured to perfection. Specially selected first-round songsters, perfect music boxes, at 6/-, 7/6, 8/6 each. Good Norwich at same prices. Six days' approval; cash, or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (22)

THE YORKSHIRE CHAMPION

has still some clinking Yorkshires for sale; stock birds, right sort to breed winners; also several winners in keenest competition cheap. My winnings for years exceed those of any other exhibitor or firm; a few of the plums they have won this year include silver cup for best in show at Bradford National, Yorkshire Union Championship, with over 40 points lead; Yorkshire Canary Club Challenge Cup (second year in succession); Yorkshire Canary Club's Ten-guinea Trophy, National Green Marked Y.C.C. Ten-guinea Trophy (second year in succession), "Cage Birds" Competition at all Yorkshire Union Shows, and over 70 firsts and numerous specials at all the leading shows. In addition to above I have bred and sold some noted winners to other champion exhibitors throughout the United Kingdom. Champion Yorkshire cocks, yellows or buffs, at 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/- each; hens feathered like wax and possessing that bit of breed so much admired in a true Yorkshire, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. Pairs, properly mated to breed winners, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- pr.; also a few extra special pairs at 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; every bird guaranteed in perfect condition, and related to my noted winners; come and inspect them at any time, or I will send any bird on seven days' approval at my risk, either for cash or deposit with Editor. If you want to be amongst the winners next season now is your chance to secure the very best blood in the Fancy. Kindly state wants; I will do my very best to match any bird up for you correctly, and, remember, I have bred far more winners for years than any other exhibitor; also that my rooms are not in any way heated, and the most up-to-date in the Fancy: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, Shann Street, Bolton Woods, Bradford. (3)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, grand typical cocks from 5/-, matched pairs 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1979)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, all from prize winners, cocks from 6/6, hens from 3/6 and upwards, show or stock birds, on approval, cash or deposit: G. Hymas, 2, Bells-yd., Mansfield. (1978)

HIGH-CLASS colour-fed exhibition Yorkshires, guaranteed healthy; cocks in full song 7/6, 10/-; hens 3/6; inspection any evening, Saturday, Sunday, any time: The Breeder, 222, Ribblesdale-rd., Streatham. (1998)

1913 TICKED yellow cock, 1913 buff cock, brothers to second Horticultural Hall, 12/6 each; 1914 marked buff cock, 10/-; all standard length; approval, deposit: Andrews, 133, Gordon-rd., Peckham, S.E. (1996)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (3)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (21)

D. EADIE has some smart Yorkshire cocks for sale, good length and quality; also buff cock, 1st and spl. at Kensington Show, 30/-; or near offer; seen any time: 103 Portobello-rd., Archer-st., Bayswater, W. (17)

TWO yellow and two buff cocks, 10/- each; four yellow and two buff hens, 5/- each; well-bred, grand stock birds; no better value anywhere; approval willingly; inspection invited (not Sundays): Jones, 82, Roebuck-rd., Sheffield. (14)

W. EVERETT can spare 6 nice Yorkshire hens, same strain as his winners at Skelmanthorpe, Kirkburton, Bristol, Reading, Abertillery, Bradford, Warrington, Pontypridd, etc., 7/6 each; approval, deposit: Bagden Hall, Huddersfield. (10)

YORKSHIRES, room wanted for breeding, must clear, cocks 6/6, 7/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6 each; correctly matched pairs proportionate, every bird my own breeding; honestly worth double; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (15)

GRAND upstanding yellow Yorkshire cock, over 7in. long, and good position and feather, a grand stock bird, 12/6 only; lovely buff hen, to match, 6/6; or 17/6 the pair to clear; worth double; approval, cash or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

YORKSHIRES, winning strain, yellow or buff; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, 20/-; yellow or buff hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; matched pairs to breed winners at 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, 20/- upwards; approval, deposit: Clarence Beaumont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (20)

SMART yellow cock, full length, paired to nice buff hen, will breed winners, 17/6; two very lengthy 1914 buff cocks, 12/6 each; hens to mate, 5/- each; spare cocks, full song, 7/6 upwards; hens, 5/-, all bred from winners; approval, deposit: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (15)

CLEAR buff cock, red-hot colour, A1 position, feathered like a Java, standard length, can win, only 10/6; a lovely upstanding yellow hen to match, 1914 bred, 7/6; or 15/- the pair, a real bargain; approval, cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (6)

FOR sale, high-class Yorkshires, bred from my winners (having won challenge cup two years together, 1913 and 1914), every bird sent sound and on approval; if not satisfied return at once, and I will freely return your money; cocks, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6 up to £1; hens, 4/6, 6/6 upwards: Spencer and Maiden, 37, Market-st., Hebden Bridge. (21)

COMPULSORY sale, must sell at once, 40 first-class Yorkshires, including winners at Clapham, Wimbledon, Frome, Luton, Holborn, Portsmouth, Plymouth, Bournemouth, Bristol, Dublin, Belturbet, etc.; also double breeders, show cages, and cases, and utensils; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; all on approval, deposit; apply by letter only: Macwilliam, 9, Nottingham-st., Dublin. (10)

YORKSHIRES.—G. A. Parker has some of the best own breeding winner of four cups 1914, many firsts and specials; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6 to 20/-; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 9/6 to 15/-; a few good Norwich Cinnamon, late Judge Dobson's strain; cocks, 7/6 to 20/-; hens, 7/6 to 15/-; pairs, 12/6 to 25/-; each or deposit; inspection invited: 17, Litchfield Avenue, Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (1990)

YORKSHIRES, 1913 yellow cock, winner fourth Huddersfield, vhe Domaster, third Skelmanthorpe, 40/-; also yellow cock, winner third, 20/-; large buff cock, 15/; 1914 buff marked cock, winner second, 12/6; buff cock, 20/-; yellow ticked cock, 15/-; buff hen, 10/-; yellow ticked hen, 7/6; several others, reasonable prices; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (13)

OGDEN BROS.

WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

JOE HARROP'S

You cannot do better if in want of birds of high Origin, good quality, length, type, and position. I Recommend this strain as fit for any fancier. Keep this in mind, and if requiring a Yorkshire Send at once and I will satisfy your desires. Hens 10/- upwards; cocks, 20/- upwards; pairs proportionate: 17, Walker-rd., Walkley, Sheffield (1910)

T. BENNETT

the Yorkshire Canary King, is again offering a few choice birds, both exhibition and stock, at less than traders' prices; every bird his own breeding, from his noted winning strain of 30 years' standing, winner of more prizes than any Yorkshire fancier with birds own breeding; again "bang at the top" (see reports of all Yorkshire Union shows). Remember, no bought or claimed winners here. Inspection invited, or birds on approval: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. (3)

H. H. TOWERS

Winner Cinnamon-marked £10 10/- Competition, etc., and at all the leading shows; must reduce stock preparatory to breeding; some excellent pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and upwards; speciality, cinnamon-marked hens, the kind to introduce quality and feather into your room; on approval, cash or deposit; note new address: 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

Various Canaries.

SIX pairs yellows and buffs; cocks, singing well, 6/3 pair, 36/- lot: K. Older, 53, Daye-rd., Bristol.

EIGHT hen Canaries, 1913, cold-room bred, 1/3 each, worth double: Mason, 4, Stanley-st., Carnforth. (12)

FOUR nice healthy hen Canaries, been in garden aviary all winter, 2/9 each: 167, Boundaries-rd., Balham, London. (10)

SOME grand Greens and Cinnamons, no yellow Green hens left, can be seen, bred from winning strain; stamp: Whitlaw, 95, Elderpark-st., Govan, Glasgow. (17)

1914 CLEAR yellow Norwich cocks, Yorkshires in yellow and buff-marked, 5/- each, colour-fed, cold room bred: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge. (1993)

ONE pair Canaries, guaranteed bred whites, £2; one white Canary, £2; several cocks and hens, half-bred whites; cocks 7/6, hens 5/- each: Hall, 31, Fountain-st., Macclesfield. (17)

FOR sale, a good few high-class Yorkshire cocks, from 7/6 upwards: and two grand yellow Norwich cocks and two buff cocks, 15/- each: Mayo and Allinson, 58, Bolchow-st., Guisborough. (14)

FOR sale 160 Canaries, 32 Crest and Crestbred, 68 Norwich, 10 Yorkshires, about equal cocks and hens, price £40 the lot; many of them colour fed; worth double the money: E. Homer, The Aviary, Bognor, Sussex. (18)

TWO clear buff cocks, 10/- each: one var. buff cock, 10/-; one var. buff hen, 10/-; one clear yellow cock, 7/6; a few typical var. yehow hens from 4/- each; same strain as winners; approval: Jas. Auld, New-rd., Bannockburn. (2)

EIGHT pairs Yorkshires, 7/- per pair; 3, good yellow Norwich hens, 13/-; also Norwich cocks, 4 joiner-made double cages, 4/- each; or exchange; young pedigree Airedale bitch wanted: 252, Ashley-rd., Upper Parkstone, Dorset. (12)

THREE buff Norwich hens, 5/- each, six Border hens, 2/6 each; buff Yorkshire cock, 7/6; one clear one green hen buffs, 5/- each; pair Black-headed Mannikins, 4/6; cock Nonette 5/6; 40/- the lot to clear: J. W. Johnson, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (18)

NORWICH prize-bred buff cock, 3rd, 10/-; yellow green hen, 1914, 4/6; ditto, bred with Greenie, 5/- pair; 3 songsters, 5/- each, 13/6 the 3; exchange any for pair good covers, 28in. x 14in., wired; yours first: Clarkson, 21, Kingston-st., Middlesbro'. (13)

GOOD yellow songsters, 6/- each; buff hens, 2/- each; green cocks, 4/6 each; all outdoor aviary bred; green and cinnamon hens, 2/- each; green and cinnamon variegated hens, 1/6 each; 1913-1914 birds; if not satisfied money returned: Tipple, Stoke Ferry, Norfolk. (14)

SPECIAL: Still a few pairs of Norwich Plainheads, also cinnamons for sale, single or in pairs, type, quality of the best, feathers fit, like wax, sure to breed good birds, yellow cocks, 15/- to 30/-, buff 10/- to 15/-, hens 5/- to 15/-; 14 years a breeder, do not show on account of ill-health: Keynes, Kington St. Michael, Chippenham, Wilts. (15)

Yorkshires & Norwich

Just one testimonial out of scores received lately: From 3, Tennent St., Whitflet, Coatbridge, Jan. 12, 1915.—The Buff hen I purchased from you last season bred me a yellow cock that won the cup this season. I am highly pleased, and will recommend you to all I know requiring good birds.—J. McCallum to J. Taylor. Grand, long, slim yellow or Buff Yorkshire Cocks at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each. All on full song, and seven inches long. Pairs, matched to breed winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- per pair. In Clears, Ticked, Green-marked, and Cinnamon-marked. Colour-fed and natural colour. Cold-room bred and kept. Extra good Yellow or Buff Yorkshire hens, at 3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each. Also large stock of big Norwich Plainheads at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, day and gaslight songsters. Also some good Crests and Crestbreds very reasonable. State wants, or send for my illustrated Price List post free. Easy Payments: Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for Illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.

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HALTWHISTLE
Wednesday, February 3rd.

Judges, Messrs. W. C. Duncan, and A. Holden, 30 Open Classes. Entrance fee 1/-. Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. **Entries close January 30.** Schedules from: **Wm. Tallantyre, South View.** (21)

THE
Great Welsh National Show
At Cardiff. Feb. 5th, 6th and 8th, with 138 Open Classes.

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Entries positively close Saturday, Jan. 30. Schedules: Hon. Show Manager, Wm. Sampson, 93, Llanishen Street, Cardiff.

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All matter *intended for publication must be written or typed on* **one side** *of paper only*

Twitterings.

Mr. Wm. Wrigley writes that he has removed from 143, Back Lane, to 53, Fountain Street, Godley, Hyde.

I read your Birthday Number with great appreciation; the articles were most interesting.—P. Page (Highgate).

The British Roller Canary Club has decided to hold the International Show as usual, and it will take place on Feb. 19 and 20, writes Mr. J. W. Norris, the Hon. Sec.

I thought the Birthday Issue of Cage Birds was very nice, and I thank you for the good things in the way of articles and Plate of Goldfinches.—E. Moffatt (Carlisle).

Mr. W. Curry, hon. sec., writes that Gateshead and Dist. C.B.S. has fixed Dec. 10 and 11 for the next annual show. Will societies please make a note of same?

Mr. H. Legg, Hon. Sec. of the Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S., has resigned owing to pressure of business. All communications should now be addressed to W. D. Fryett, 25, Gowland Place, Croydon Road, Beckenham, Kent.

The pair show of the Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S. is on Saturday, Jan. 23, at Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill (close by Tufnell Park tube station and tram and bus routes), writes Mr. J. Hyde, the sec. Visitors welcomed during the afternoon and evening. Mr. G. E. Weston is judging.

My heartiest felicitations upon your birthday number this week. The coloured plate of Goldfinches is indeed splendidly executed and worth framing, whilst the numerous articles are intensely interesting to all bird lovers. Long live Cage Birds is the sincere wish of an old admirer.—John B. Waterman (East Dulwich).

Mr. David Reeks, 67, Henslowe Road, East Dulwich, has been elected Hon. Sec. of the Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S., writes Mr. A. G. Cant, late hon. sec. I hope members and friends will give him the same support as I have received during my year of office. I wish him every success, also the society. Mr. John B. Waterman has for the sixth successive year been elected a Vice-President of the Society.

I have been awaiting the arrival of the Birthday Number of Cage Birds impatiently, and am more than pleased with the fine coloured plate of Goldfinches, also the article discussing the same, which is very instructive. When I say I have never missed a single number of Cage Birds for the last eight or nine years, it is clear proof that your paper has always been greatly appreciated, and I hope we may continue to receive so many good things weekly for the small outlay of one penny.—H. A. Wilson (Bishop Auckland).

We hear that prize-money has been paid in respect of Doncaster and Llanelly shows. Anyone accidentally overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries.

We have had occasion before to refer to the satisfaction the customers of that well-known specialist, Mr. W. Rudd, of Norwich, derive from their dealings with him. Further incontrovertible evidence comes to hand this week, a bulky package left by the postman proving to contain between two and three hundred letters and postcards, all bearing postmarks of quite recent date, which Mr. Rudd has received from his clients expressing their great approval of the birds, cages, medicines, and other specialities purchased from him—a gratifying achievement.

Mr. J. R. Meikle, sec., Scottish National C.B.S., sends the following particulars of special prize-winners at the recent Edinburgh New Year's show:—Point winners: Crest, rose bowl, A. J. Smith, Birmingham; 5s. specials; Norwich, W. Crawshaw; Crest, A. J. Smith; Border, H. Bennet; Yorks., R. Heggie and H. H. Towers (tie); Mules, Martin and Archer; British, J. Sykes. Mr. D. Kinlayside's prize for most entries, T. Arnot (Hawick). Result of Gift Class: 1st, A. Bremner, Juniper Green, ticket No. 401; 2nd, Miss Wyne, Juniper Green, 402; 3rd, — McKinnon, Juniper Green, 498; 4th, J. Kerr, Edinburgh, 5; 5th, H. Napier, Juniper Green, 490; 6th, — Crawford, Longstone, 361; 7th, — Yule, Loanhead.

OBITUARY.

MR. S. PIKE (Reading).

I regret to inform you, writes Mr. O. C. Smith, sec. Reading C.B.S., of the death of Mr. S. Pike, one of the best supporters the society has ever had, and one whose place it will be hard to fill. Always willing to give, when the society needed, his cups which he gave to be won by members each year will always remind the members of the great good he did for all. I am sure all members share in deepest sympathy with Mrs. Pike and family in their great loss.

Our Coloured Plate.

Allow me a word of praise for your splendid coloured plate, also the article, re good and bad exhibition Goldfinches. I think every credit is due to your splendid artist, Mr. Norman, also to Mr. Prior for his able article. Their combined efforts have made it clear to the novice what goes to make a good or bad exhibition bird. I am delighted with it as, being only a novice, it has taught me something I have wanted to know for a long time. It shows at a glance whether your bird has any chance of success on the show bench. I wish Cage Birds every success.—S. Starling (Middlesbrough).

Surrey's January Blackcap.

A correspondent of "The Field" records the appearance of a Blackcap Warbler in his garden on January 5. He says: "It was sitting close to the ground on the bough of a small tree within a few feet of the window. On closer examination I saw that the bird was a male Blackcap. It stayed nearly a minute, and gave a good view of its head, throat, tail, and general coloration. It then fluttered in a half-hearted way round the corner of the house, and although I ran out of the front door to get another view it had disappeared." The occurrence of the Blackcap during mild winters is not unknown.

A Fine Year's Progress.

We started last January with a membership of ten, and now have 74 on the books, most of them keen fanciers, writes Mr. H. P. Thomas, sec., Barry F. and F.S., so I think we can look forward to a strong society in this district. We are taking a postal vote of members for officers and committee; thus every member is given a chance of a say in the management of the society. [The balance-sheet to hand shows the satisfactory amount of £8 5s. 7d. cash in hand.—Editor, "C.B."]

Do Snakes Fascinate Birds?

I was walking in the Australian Bush on a warm summer day, when I had my attention drawn to a bird that was fluttering in a helpless way about 3ft. from the ground. On approaching quietly, I saw a snake immediately underneath it, with head slightly raised, and its eyes fixed upon the bird. What the end would have been I know not, for my appearance broke the charm, if such it was, and the snake disappeared. I have an idea that the bird would have gradually got nearer the snake, and then with one lightning stroke the bird would have been seized.—C. Brown (Mitta Mitta, Victoria, Australia) in "The Nottingham Guardian."

The Study of Scientific Breeding.

Now is the time when fanciers turn their attention to the mating of their birds with a view to breeding specimens that will conquer at the shows later on. Far too many people are inclined to trust to chance in this important matter, to bring "a likely-looking pair" together, to treat them well as regards food and housing, though with no very special care for their particular needs, and then to trust to "luck," or some equally uncertain quantity, for progeny that shall do the undeserving owner proud. It is too late in the day for these haphazard methods Bird breeding has made enormous advances of late years; very little indeed is now left to chance; and the man who is not prepared to recognise this, and to study the ways of the experts, to apply the rules as laid down by them after years of patient experiment, had far better leave bird-keeping alone. A book that teaches all about bird breeding is the Waverley Book Company's "Canaries, Hybrids, and Cage Birds in Cage and in Aviary," of which particulars will be found in our advertising columns. We strongly advise our readers to take advantage of the enterprising publishers' offer to send this grand book for a week's free approval. Praise of a book is superfluous when you may, without spending a penny, read it and examine the coloured plates of every known breed for seven days clear, and test its excellence in your own home. No man or woman who wishes to breed good birds can afford to ignore this sound and standard book on the subject.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—Mechanics' Hall, Feb. 3. Judges, W. C. Duncan, A. Holden. 30 open classes: Bord. 10 (2 Nov.), Ncr. 7 (1 Nov.), Yorks. 4 (1 Nov.), Sell. 1, Brit. 5, Mule 2, For. 1. Fee 1s. Prizes 8s., 4s., 2s. Entries close Jan. 30, to Wm. Tallantyre, South View, Haltwhistle.

BUSINESS AS USUAL.

"I have sold nearly all my dogs, through 3 advertisements in CAGE BIRDS, after spending pounds on other papers without an answer." —(Miss) M. ROGERS (Cambridge).

"I received 30 answers to my last advt. in CAGE BIRDS and have supplied the majority of the applicants with rugs."—F. JONES (Manchester).

"I must thank you for the number of answers I had to my advt. in last week's CAGE BIRDS, and I had so many that I found it no easy task to sort them out, and I could not reply to them all."—H. KAY (Blackpool).

"Kindly let the numerous applicants for birds know through your valuable paper that I have disposed of all I have to sell. I have received about 30 letters through my advt. in CAGE BIRDS. I wish your paper every success." —A. J. CLARKE (East Dulwich).

THE GREAT WELSH NATIONAL SHOW.

A Review of the Splendid Schedule.

The Welsh National Show to be held at Cardiff, Feb. 5, 6 and 8 promises to be a very worthy substitute for the Crystal Palace event which this year has had to be abandoned, and will be welcomed by the many fanciers who have for so many years looked upon the familiar glass house as providing a final gathering of owners and birds of the season.

A splendid schedule of 138 classes has been sent out, and all sections have been liberally provided for. Yorks. have 24 classes, four of which are for amateurs, 7 for novices, and 3 selling. Norwich the same; while Borders have 6 open classes, 3 novices and 4 Greens. There are 6 classes for Lizards, 6 Crests, 2 C.B., 4 Cinnamons, 2 each Lancashires, Belgians and Scotch Fancy. Green Yorks. and Green Norwich have 4 each, and 2 selling classes are for Canaries other than Yorks. and Nor. There are 9 classes for Hybrids, 23 for British, 4 of which are for amateurs and novices. The Foreign classification comprises 10 classes, and a stock class makes up the total of 138.

The judges are: Messrs. H. C. Smith, Yorks., except Greens; E. W. Allsopp, Norwich, except Greens; D. Jenkins, Borders; J. R. Leech, Lizards; J. Robson, Crests and C.B., Cinn., Lancs., Belgians, Scotch, Green Yorks. and Nor., and Sell.; D. A. S. Longden, Hybrids and odd numbers in British; W. F. Lloyd James, even number British classes; and W. T. Page the Foreign birds. It will be seen that, except in the case of Mr. Robson who takes a number of sections, each section will be in the hands of a specialist in the particular variety which he is judging, and it is all to the credit of the Principality that no less than six of the eight judges are resident in Wales.

Among the numerous specials are challenge cups for Yorks., Norwich, Borders, Hybrids, British, and Foreign, and there are gold medals or cash and other specials in most of the various sections. Prize-money is 10s., 6s., 3s., 2s. 6d., 2s. and 1s. 6d., for a fee of 2s. (affiliated members 1s. 6d.), and entries close Jan. 30, positively (there will be no whip-up cards) to, W. Sampson, 93 Llanishen St., Cardiff.

A most useful innovation which appears in the schedule in the form of a time-table of night trains from all parts, timed to arrive in Cardiff in the early hours of Thursday morning, Feb. 4, marks the attention to detail which has been given by the officials responsible for the running of the show. The chairman, Mr. Banks; treas., and show-manager, Mr. Sampson; sec., Mr. Thomas, and the committee are all experienced in show management, and are unanimous in their intention to make the first National Show of Wales worthy of its name. If any extra inducement be needed to stimulate entries we need only say that the proceeds of the show will go to swell the Prince of Wales' patriotic fund.

An Interesting Event at the Zoo.

The Quaint Kagu Ends the Old Year Well by Laying an Egg.

THOSE of our readers who have seen that very rare and quaint bird, the Kagu, at the London Zoo, will be interested to learn that there seems a fair prospect of some baby Kagus putting in an appearance there. This bird, the sole species, inhabits New Caledonia only, and in its wild state is nocturnal in its habits, and seems to have practically lost the power of flight. It has a beautiful crest (after the manner of the Hoopoe), which it expands at will.

In announcing this interesting event on Dec. 31, in "The Field," Mr. D. Seth-Smith writes:—"Our Kagus are amongst the most interesting as well as the most valuable of the birds in the Gardens, and since our single bird, received in 1906, was, thanks to the generosity of the Marquis of Tavistock, provided in 1913 with three companions, the prospect of some day breeding this species in the Gardens did not appear to be so remote as formerly. Mr. Finckh, of Sydney, on one occasion hatched a Kagu chicken and one egg at least was laid in our Zoological Gardens years ago.

Our old Kagu, 'Johnnie,' which has been in the Gardens for nearly nine years, was always thought to be a male from the way it persistently displayed, throwing up its crest and extending its long breast feathers. Mr. Heumann, who has kept several Kagus in Australia, told me that the sexes could be distinguished by the colour of the eyes. A superficial examination of our birds revealed little difference, but when closely viewed one was able to see that in the three new birds the iris was bright red over its whole extent, whereas in the old bird this had a dull ring surrounding the pupil. When Mr. Heumann was here in the summer he examined the eyes of our birds and pronounced the old bird to be a female and the three new ones to be males.

Not knowing the means of distinguishing the sex, we put two of the new Kagus into the summer aviary last spring in the belief that they were a pair. Kagus do not readily take to new mates, and it was some time before the old bird would allow another in the same compartment of the aviary. However, after a time we got her to agree with one of the new birds and now they are quite friendly together in the large central part of the western aviary.

Acclaiming the Deed.

Early in the morning of the last day of the year, long before it was light, the keeper, Bailey, who lives in the lodge in the Gardens, heard the Kagus calling very loudly. He had never before heard them at this time, and never at any time had they been heard to call so loudly. He could not think what was the cause, but on visiting the aviary later, an egg was discovered in the semi-darkness of one of the back shelters. There was no pretence of a nest, and as the aviary contains a very mixed collection of birds, some of which would almost certainly have eaten the egg, it was taken away and placed in an incubator.

Whether this egg will prove to be fertile or not it is impossible to say, but there seems no reason why it should not be, and we hope for the best in spite of the very bad time of the year. Very possibly the young might not be particularly difficult to rear. But whether we succeed in this case or not it is much to be hoped that now that this pair has commenced to lay, they may do so again when better weather prevails, and they can be placed in an aviary better suited for incubation and the rearing of young. It appears that only one egg is laid.

THE WINTER MANAGEMENT OF CANARIES.

By E. W. ALLSOPP (Cardiff).

(*Continued from page* 18.)

AT this stage it will be helpful to say that the success in the winter management of my stock is materially governed by three important factors, viz., winter, feeding, and exercise. There are some fanciers who regard, and have expounded their views of, the winter as being a season of recuperation, whereby, providing reasonable care is exercised in the management of the robust stock, and special care expended upon the stock that is not robust, the breeding season is eventually reached with every bird a picture of health and good condition, stored up within them being such reserve supplies of health, stamina, and energy as will easily carry them through.

Now I hold the expounders of these views in the greatest respect, not because I claim some of them as friends, but because their doctrine is put forth in the sincere belief that it is the correct one. Nevertheless I heartily disagree with it.

A Period of Stress.

In the first place I cannot, after a fairly close association with Nature in many moods, believe that the winter season is recuperative in the way some imagine. Indeed, the evidence of my eyes, coupled with a fairly lengthy experience, has convinced me that Nature during the average winter season subjects her birdie families to the severest physical tests of endurance, by visiting upon them extreme degrees of cold (cutting off practically all food supplies for more or less lengthy periods) severe spells of flood and wind. For what purpose?—for I say there must be a purpose in view. Merely to carry out her inexorable decree of the survival of the fittest. My winter scheme in the management of the stock leads to the same end; the end that is safest, the end that has served Nature's purpose from the moment of creation. 'Tis true my stock cannot experience the full rigours of the winter conditions, by reason of being housed in a room. Nevertheless, the latter is unheated, and subject to the varying temperatures and climatic conditions that are passing, and though these may be modified in severity, they come fairly into line with the tests as applied outside, allowing for the refinement brought about by captivity.

Regarding cages, I have all of box pattern, ranging from twenty-four to forty-eight inches in length. Of course I cannot hope that in these my stock is going to obtain the practically unlimited exercise offered in a state of nature; nor is it necessary. Experience has proved that leaving out of our calculation the breeding season, a Canary, cock or hen, not prone to fatness, can be maintained in perfect health and condition even if confined for several years in nothing larger than a twenty-four inch cage.

Establishing Their Constitutions.

Nevertheless, even though it be so, I arrange from the close of one breeding season until the commencement of another, that all my weeks in turns in the forty-eight inch flights. birds shall have at least a few uninterrupted My reason for so doing is to establish their constitutions, particularly in birds of the current year, to build it up to the highest state of efficiency, and to strengthen any weakness that may be present, which exercise is likely to permanently benefit, before the advent of real wintry conditions.

Now we arrive at the all-important matter of feeding. My endeavour in this respect is to adopt a minimum scale of feeding that will be sufficient to meet the full needs of the robust stock, but will nevertheless not be sufficient to bolster up the weaklings throughout the testing period. In short, my system of management to be successful must be such that trying and searching climatic conditions will surely guide my hand to those birds not fitted for the duties ahead; exact counterparts of those whom Nature is laying her heavy hand upon outside, which go under just as surely as do my own weaklings, of course, after assuring myself that their distress under the testing circumstances is not due to accidental origin, if I may so describe those ailments to which even the most robust are liable.

To learn that any of the defaulters are merely constitutionally weak, but otherwise sound, does not, however, bring forth a reprieve at my hands, for I realise it is no part of Nature's programme to blend the weak with the strong, or the strong with the weak, Success is dependent solely upon the support the strong render those who also are strong.

In ruthlessly carrying out Nature's teaching in my birdroom, I fully realise that experience is what is most needed. What is a safe minimum of diet? You only determine this after you have obtained real experience of your stock. The fancier who annually clears out the bulk of his birds to replace with others, cannot hope to succeed under this sytem. At least a cycle of twelve-months is needed to obtain the true measure of the health and stamina of some of your stock. Under this system I have been "pals" with some of my stock through three, four, and even five years of experience, during the winter seasons of which they "suffered" nothing worse than contentment under my management.

With the same determination to succeed as Nature succeeds, I pursue my way, and if a mortality of only two hens during the past three breeding seasons is any criterion of success, then I am doing well. There also is the fact of the mortality amongst the babies from successfully hatching to the conclusion of the moult not exceeding five per cent. during the same period of time to be considered. To this may be added the pleasing spectacle of your stock carrying out their parental duties in a manner as Nature intended.

With such a stock founded upon the principle of "the survival of the fittest," you may note the fleeting shadow of a bird passing the birdroom window, and instantly a note of alarm will ring out, every bird is hushed to silence, and stands rigid, but ever alert for further action. 'Tis merely the instinct of self preservation from a possible feathered foe that has asserted itself as strongly to-day as at any time in the past. Again, during the breeding season a tiny squeak given forth by the handle of your birdroom door will silence all within. A peep reveals each cock bird defiant, though apprehensive, whilst some of the hens have already scuttled to their nests, and are nestling down, oh! so closely, to their precious charges of eggs or babies, until all signs of danger are past. Again, merely instinctive precautions.

If a period of five hundred years of cage-life has, as alleged, killed the more vital instincts of sitting and feeding, why have not these minor instincts been also destroyed? Can it be after all merely a matter of maintaining in the birdroom this most vital law of "the survival of the fittest" if we would be really successful?

Although the articles of diet given my stock during the winter are much in common with those of other breeders, it may perhaps prove helpful to touch upon them in a general way, and I will conclude this article by so doing in the next instalment.

(*To be continued.*)

Correspondence.

A New Show.

SIR,—Crowtrees Working Men's Club (Bowburn) C.B.S. is getting up a new show for members and affiliated members (radius of eight miles). There will be a meeting of the society on Saturday, Feb. 6, at 6.30 p.m., and anyone wishing to become a member can do so by attending this meeting, or by writing to the secretary, who will give all particulars.

JOS. HUGGINS, Sec.
37, School Street, Tursdale Colliery.

The Giving of Prize Cards.

SIR,—I was very glad to see someone writing about not receiving prize-cards from the L.C.B.A. show. I had the pleasure of winning in the champion Norwich section, and was expecting a nice prize-card from a show like this, and was disappointed on receiving my prize-money and no card. I think myself that when fanciers win at a show like this, they like to get a prize-card to show for it.

DEVONSHIRE.

Home Grown Bird Seed.

SIR,—I am anxious to grow a certain amount of seed for my aviary birds, Canaries and small foreigners. Would it be possible to grow millet and rape as garden crops? Canary seed I fear would not ripen in this country. At a time in which seed is so costly any information on this point would, I believe, interest other readers, and I shall be very glad if some one can oblige us.

BIRD LOVER.

[We should like to hear the experiences of readers on these points. We have had sent to us samples of canary seed grown in this country. It had ripened nicely. Given in the ear (like millet sprays) it is greatly relished by all birds.—EDITOR.]

A Fancier's Experiences in the Fighting Line.

SIR,—I have just returned from France, where I have been with my regiment, the Coldstream Guards, since Sept. 1, and we have seen some rough times, as you will guess. At one time I got lost from the trenches near La Bassee. Amongst some ruins I noticed a cote of pigeons, the birds refusing to leave their abode in spite of the heavy bombardment continually going on. There was plenty of corn on the stacks for them. They used to fly about as if nothing unusual was happening. I also saw a very fine cock Bullfinch. This little fellow used to come and perch in an apple tree, which was quite near the end of our trench. I could not hear the songs of any other birds near; they must have suffered round about the firing-line, as the concussion from the heavy artillery was surely enough to kill them. I found in a ruined house a cage with open door and a supply of seed and water. That was quite near the place where Master Bullie perched, and I came to the conclusion that these poor people, not being able to take him away with them, had given him his liberty. He seemed, with his bright red coat, to be "on guard" till his owner returned. I may say that I am laid up for a time in Hendon Hospital.

A FANCIER FROM GRASMERE.

An Alleged "Canker" in the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.

SIR,—The writer would like to take up the challenge thrown out by "A.S.P.," as he styles himself, evidently too much of a coward to place his name at the foot of his letter, the contents of same being an entirely false accusation, which he can neither prove nor substantiate. His letter will, in next week's issue, be dealt with by the society itself, which will be quite equal to the occasion. All I ask is that "A.S.P." will be manly and straightforward with the society he appears to speak so highly of, and at the same time accuses of underhanded work, by replying to our answer to his letter, and that he will have the moral courage to sign his name.

A. E. THORPE.

The Spotted Flycatcher in Captivity.

SIR,—I see by the interesting article regarding the Spotted Flycatcher that it is rather a difficult bird to keep for any length of time. Perhaps it may be of interest to some of your many readers to know that on the 30th of July, 1913, I moated off a young moulted bird, but during the winter it went into poor condition. I may mention my birdroom is inclined to be damp, and is unheated, out of doors. With the coming of spring the bird improved, and during the month of June moulted quickly and well, and was in perfect condition. It warbled away all day in a low, creaky manner. Mr. E. Taylor, that well-known softbill exhibitor, saw it in July, and remarked about its fine condition. It fell off in condition again during September, and died about Christmas, though its death was due to an unfortunate oversight on my part. In all I had it 17 months. I have been unsuccessful in meating off any Spotted Flycatcher I have had since then, but will try again on some future occasion.

ALEC C. FINLAYSON.

(Correspondence continued overleaf).

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(*Continued from page* 17.)

THE young of some species of Parrakeets are apt, on first leaving the nest, to dash themselves violently against the sides of the aviary and sustain fatal injuries. It is therefore advisable to cover the end at any rate of a long wire flight with sacking when a valuable brood is expected to make its appearance.

When Finches and other small birds are kept in the same aviary with Parrots, it is advisable to protect the roosting and nesting quarters of the former with large-mesh wire netting through which they alone are able to pass. In the open they can, unless very young, keep out of the way of danger, and it is when asleep or cornered in a nest-box that they are likely to be caught and injured. Not all Parrots, however, can be trusted in mixed company even with these precautions. Blue-bonnets and Lovebirds are impossible neighbours for anything weaker than themselves, and I, personally, would never trust Conures, Caiques, Lorikeets, *Brotogerys* Parrakeets or Budgerigars, though amiable individuals do sometimes occur even among the most mischievous and aggressive species.

Mind the Paint.

No portion of the interior of a Parrot aviary should ever be painted or varnished, or the most disastrous results will be sure to follow. Parrots are extraordinarily sensitive to mineral poisons, and I have found to my cost that Australian Parrakeets, which can stuff themselves with laburnum seeds and yew buds with absolute impunity, will die in convulsions within a few hours of nibbling fragments of painted wood.

Where the aviary consists of an inside shelter and an outside flight, the former must be absolutely free from draughts. It is best to arrange for all ventilation to come from the front only. I dislike top ventilation as it nearly always produces a continued upward current of air, which draws in from the door and, striking the birds underneath, is very likely to cause enteritis.

If artificial heat is provided it is very important to secure an even temperature irrespective of outdoor weather conditions. This is by no means easy to arrive at, and I have always obtained far better results from the use of a stove or gas radiator than from any system which involves the employment of hot-water pipes, which are usually most ineffective and troublesome.

When turning birds into an aviary for the first time it is a wise precaution, where an inner compartment exists, to shut them up for the first few nights. It may also be advisable, especially if the nights are cold, to give a little artificial heat, even though they may not previously have been kept in a warm room. Parrots, when first placed in unfamiliar quarters, have a perfect genius for selecting the draughtiest and most exposed places to roost in, and it is most disheartening to turn a valuable breeding pair into a new aviary and then to go out next morning to find the cock or hen dead of enteritis. I have more than once experienced this calamity in the case of species reputed to be extremely hardy.

In concluding these hints on aviary management, it will be well to say something about the important art of bringing birds into breeding condition. This is chiefly a matter of feeding, and with Parrots, more perhaps than with any other class of birds, satisfactory breeding results are dependant on the judicious provision of extra dainties at the right moment.

The Importance of Green Food.

Green food must be supplied *ad libitum*, and it is particularly important to continue giving it after the young have hatched. Grass, chickweed, shepherd's-purse, dandelion, sow thistle, and lettuce are all good, as well as the shoots and leaves of non-poisonous trees. Lettuce is sometimes said to be bad for Parrots, but I have given it to Cockatoos, Amazons, *Platycerci*, *Eclecti* and Grass Parrakeets and never found it in the least degree injurious; it must of course be perfectly fresh and unfrosted. When at liberty in this country the Australian Parrakeets feed their young largely on the leaves and flowers of the common daisy, and although I cannot say I have ever offered the plant to my aviary birds, I have not the slightest reason to suppose that it would prove harmful.

Suspicious of New Foods.

Fruit, particularly apple, is an important item in the menu during the breeding season, and mealworms may also be offered, though not all Parrots will eat them. A full ration of hemp and sunflower should be supplied in most cases, though this can generally be reduced again, with advantage, after the moult is over.

In giving green food, etc., do not think that because the birds will not touch it the first time it is offered that it is no use trying it again. Many Parrots are extremely suspicious of new foods, and only summon up courage to try an unfamiliar article of diet after it has been placed before them many times. Do not grow discouraged, either, if they only seem to touch the tiniest fragment of what is given them. Little as they may actually eat, it may make the whole difference between eggs and no eggs, or between fertile eggs and clear ones.

When it is desired to breed from a hen bird which has been kept for a very long period in a cage, it is often prudent to keep her for some time alone in the aviary on a very plain diet before introducing her mate and the nest barrel. In this way the risk of egg binding is a good deal lessened.

(*To be continued.*)

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

The Value of "Push."

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Bastock, the answer to his question how do I know they are worth what I stated, is, by knowledge of birds gathered from shows I have attended, the very keen interest which I have taken in such birds generally, and last (but not least) I have had several prizes for them, although I am only still in the novice class. In reply to Mr. E. W. Allsopp, I may say the same. I still thing it a difficult matter to dispose of them at a reasonable price, but perhaps I have not yet learned the art of a rousing advt. I do not understand Mr. Allsopp's statement as to truthful language; perhaps I am too truthful over it.

H. Coker.

A Deserving Charity Show at Leicester.

Sir,—The Leicester "Hand in Hand" and Leicester Cage Bird Societies are still pursuing their good work. They have decided to hold their 3rd annual combined show at the Vaughan Working Mens' College on Saturday, Jan. 30th. Once again they appeal with confidence to all the fanciers of Leicester and Leicestershire for their support. Schedules will be posted to any address on receipt of a postcard. Prizes will be awarded from the entry fees (3d. per cage) on a sliding scale. We trust we shall have plenty of entries in order that the show may be a huge success, and that the Children's Hospital may receive even a larger sum than last year.

J. Hardbattle and A. Freestone
Joint. Hon. Secs.

79, Clarendon St., Leicester.

The Return Journey from Watford Show.

Sir,—Exhibitors at Watford Show may possibly have had some anxiety at not receiving their birds back early on Friday, and I should like to explain the cause. The railway company would not guarantee to dispatch the exhibits on Thursday night, but wanted to keep them in the booking office all night. My committee gave the matter due consideration and decided to pack and dispatch the whole of the exhibits on Friday morning, so that the birds should have a drink, and a feed before starting on their journey. All birds were dispatched before 9 a.m., and prize-money will have been paid by the time this letter appears. I thank all exhibitors for their support and trust all the birds arrived home safe. On behalf of the committee.

W. Rackley, Hon. Sec.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—Was ever poor Hybrid so badly ill-used?
I've often been slandered, and now I'm accused
Of not knowing who was my father!
The sauce of my critics I ne'er shall forget,
They've twice sent me home with my cage-bottom wet;
And angered my owner—well, rather.
They admit I'm a Hybrid, from head to my toes.
But ask after father—why, heaven only knows!
With one mate most Bullie hens find 'nough to do,
Though my mamma seems to have been blessed with two—
To recognised rule quite contrary,
She loved Greenfinch as well as Canary!

White Rose.

(We think it well to say that we are not absolutely sure the above lines were penned by Mr. Parlett's interesting Hybrid.—Editor.)

Sir,—With interest I read the letter of "Red Rose" in last week's Cage Birds referring to the fact that the Hybrid "White Rose," after being wrong-classed at one show, was awarded first prize a few days afterwards at another show. But "Red Rose" omits to mention that at the Scottish National Show "White Rose," for the first time in its career, was shown in a class for variegated Canary Mules, and the judge, Mr. McQuiston, who is no novice, refused to accept it as a Canary Mule. Previous to that show, and since, it has always been shown in classes open to Canary-Bullfinches and Hybrids, where it could not be wrong-classed by the judge, because they who could not accept it as a Canary-Bullfinch had the alternative of judging it as a Greenfinch-Bullfinch.

Having very carefully examined this bird on more than one occasion, I am firmly convinced that had it been a normal-coloured bird it would have been the finest specimen of a Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid ever seen on the show bench. It has characteristics not possessed by any Canary, or Bullfinch. The whole of its dark plumage favours the Greenfinch-Bullfinch cross, particularly in the outer flight and tail feathers, which show a distinct deep yellow bar, and this can only come from the Greenfinch—never from the Canary. Till it can be proved that a bird can have three parents, I shall never be able to believe there is any Canary in this Hybrid.

Scotch Thistle.

Sir,—I notice some judges and other fanciers still doubt that well-known mule, "White Rose." When will they be convinced? Are they waiting until there are about a dozen light or variegated Canary-Bullies on the bench? A "lightly variegated Greenie-Bullie"; how ridiculous. They might as well call it an Albino Bullie, and I don't think they dare call it that. I remember when the first Canary-Bullie was staged. "Impossible," some of the "doubting Thomases" cried. It was the same with the light Greenfinch-Mule, the Redpoll-Bullie, and several other crosses. They couldn't be bred, said the doubters, and until they were backed up with a regiment of the same crosses, these men would not believe it. Now if these fanciers do not believe the bird to be a Canary-Bullie, will they kindly describe what they expect a lightly variegated Canary-Bullie will be like, and then compare the description with "White Rose"?

W. Keeling.

An Appeal for the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—Kindly oblige me by inserting a word of appeal to all intending exhibitors at our forthcoming great Welsh National show. I especially wish to exhort them to assist the workers by sending their entries in good time. A show of this magnitude, with so many classes, involves a great amount of labour and clerical work. Fanciers can materially assist by entering early, thus distributing the work evenly and avoiding the secs.'s bugbear—the late entries and consequent worry and rush. A hearty response and a bumping entry will receive my grateful thanks.

W. Sampson, show manager.

Langland House, Llanishen Street,
Cardiff.

Sir,—I appeal to all fanciers for a bumping entry. To Welsh fanciers especially I would commend the opportunity to help the Patriotic Fund, and also establish this National Show as an annual event. I would remind the Fancy that many obstacles have had to be overcome to enable the Committee to put before them the excellent classification which appears in your advt. columns to-day (see also our Review of the Schedule—Editor) and we are particularly anxious that every class should stand. I am hoping that the sum to be handed to the Prince of Wales's Fund will be at least three figures. This can be brought to pass if fanciers will only support us with as many entries as possible, and also visit the show. What a grand advertisement for the Fancy it would be! I sincerely trust that all fanciers will appreciate our motto of "Business as usual" by giving the first Welsh National show a record entry in each class.

E. J. Banks (Chairman).

The Water Supply at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—May I ask Mr. Sampson, the show manager, if he will give fanciers who live a distance away and who cannot get to the show, an assurance that all the birds will not only be watered on arrival, but that the water tins will be cleaned out (not just emptied) at least twice and fresh water given daily, seeing that some birds will be away from home almost a week. We can always depend that the officials at the Crystal Palace show will see to our birds' needs, and we want to know if the officials at the Welsh National will do the same.

Britisher.

[From what we know of the officials we can confidently say that everything possible will be done.—Editor.]

The Greenfinch Class at Doncaster Show.

Sir,—Kindly allow me space to reply to Mr. A. Cuss, re our Greenfinch class and his champion Greenfinch. Anyone can see this is a case of "disappointed exhibitor," but I think Mr. Cuss has gone a little too far in his insinuation about his bird being "under the bench." Our members and myself have taken it as the greatest insult that could be launched at us. We don't do work like that at Doncaster; we try to please every exhibitor, as Mr. Cuss knows by reason of his other exhibit, a Mealy Redpoll which was entered in class 11 for Lesser Redpolls, but which my committee were good enough to change to its proper class and so give him a run for his money. This is the thanks we get! Re the Greenfinch, I shall ask the judge, Mr. Maddison, to explain why he put out the Greenfinch, No. 2, Class 8, cardless. Perhaps the above remarks re changing birds to their proper classes, might catch the eye of another exhibitor who will take the hint and say thank you.

G. Hunt, Hon. Sec.,
Doncaster and Dis. C.B.S.

TREDEGAR.

3rd annual open show of the Tredegar C.B.S., Town Hall, Jan. 14, one of the best rooms that could be wished for; the birds were staged all round the hall, leaving plenty of room for visitors, who turned up well in the afternoon. Unfortunately, there were two other shows in South Wales in the same week, and Tredegar probably missed a good many entries through adopting the sliding scale. However, what was lost in quantity was more than made up in the presence of first-class specimens in each variety. The show is run on modern lines. The president, T. H. Davies, Esq., gave a helping hand, and the show manager, Mr. E. Powell, had everything at his finger ends for the success of the exhibition. A band of hard-working officials in Messrs. E. J. Bevan (treas.), G. Thomas, T. Harris, T. Morgan, G. Bennett, H. O. Jones, J. Griffiths, R. H. Griffiths, E. Davies, and H. Woodhall, backed up by that admirable sec., Mr. W. B. Watkins, helped to make a pleasant day for exhibitors and visitors alike. The champion unlighted cup went to W. E. Watkins, novice to J. Llewellyn, the runner-up Mr. G. Thomas only lost by one point. Champion rose bowl E. J. Bevan, Hyde's W. B. Watkins. Unfortunately, Mr. Davies' and Mrs. Dalton's birds did not arrive in time to be judged, although the sec. kept the classes back until 1.30. Mr. Metcalfe, Liverpool, judged, and we heard no grumbling.

CRESTS (2): 1, Powell, very nice leafy feather, crest well drooped, well radiated. NOR. YELL. CK. (6): 1, hc, Mortimer, grand subs., cond., noble head, clean cut away, nice win; 2, 3, Tedstone, excellent qual., good in head properties, broad and shapely, well staged, 3 more of a stock bird, good big 'un; vhc, Davies; c, Bevan. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Tedstone, beauties, varieg. leading, typical, full of qual., 2 just loses in head, excellent front, well packed wings and tail; 3, vhc, G. T. Jones, rare size and grand feather, bold head and neck; hc, Mortimer. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Tedstone, all over a Norwich, exquisite feather, grand front, easy win; 2, G. T. Jones, sweet hen, not the biggest, but exceptional type, nicely moulded; 3, Powell, good one, but wild, bold head, and good front. BUFF (7): 1, 3, G. T. Jones, grizzle cap, topper for type, charming feather, a rare hen for stock, 3 great subs., round as a ball, bit thick at waist when taking notes; 2, Tedstone, just a shade pinched in head, otherwise lovely lady, moves freely; vhc, Greaves and Richards; hc, Powell; c, Bevan. UNFLIG. (6): 1, c, G. T. Jones, varieg. buff, rare type, noble head, bold eye, shapely throughout; 2, 3, vhc, Tedstone, yell., charming cut, well up in size and qual., carries wings and tail well, 3 topping buff, broad back, full head and neck, just fails qual. to above; hc, Powell. HEN (4): 1, Jenkins, capital type, full of qual., should make up well, clean cut away; 2, Tedstone, bolder in head, but longer, rare pos. and qual., shapely and sweet; 3, Greaves and Richards, another of the right standard, runs above close, built on the small side; vhc, Powell. NOV. NOR. (4): 1, Broome, wing mkd. buff, rare type, bold head and neck, eye in centre of head, not browy, wins; 2, Powell, grand shaped yell., good front, broad head and neck, bit faulty in wing carr.; 3, Betty, buff, slimmer, grand qual., well braced wings and tail, good cond.; vhc, Mrs. Rendle. HEN (4): 1, Broome, varieg., sweet lady, full of type, nice round head, thick neck, charming qual.; 2, Powell, exquisite feather, rare type and cond., well packed wings and tail, clean cut, near thing; 3, Phillips, grand subs. and type, bold head; vhc, Bennett. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, 4, Bevan, stands like a guardsman, full of type, grand wings and tail, plenty of leg; 2, Watkins, longer, good top end, nice front, fails to 1st in wing carr.; 3, Dykes, best in class, but very much down when taking notes; vhc, Pritchard; hc, Weeks. BUFF (6): 1, Pritchard, rare type, grand qual., hot one, round as a bottle, well drawn; 2, Watkins, almost even mark, grand top, well braced wings, straight and well put down; 3, Dykes, full of swank, not a big one, rare type, runs very close; 4, Clift; vhc, Griffiths; hc, Everett. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Pritchard, varieg., rare legs, straight and always in pos., capital feather, just a bit weak in head; 2, Dykes, charming varieg., grand texture of feather, good in neck and head, but fails pos. to leader; 3, Weeks, capital type, smart appearance, well drawn, well up on leg; 4, c, Griffiths; vhc Bevan; hc, Everett. BUFF (5): 1, Dykes, charming, built on strong lines, exquisite feather, erect and fearless, easy win; 2, Bevan, smart and well up on leg, rare wing carr., full of type and qual., well put down; 3, Watkins, grand back and wings, full at top, just a bit thick at waist, good stock hen; vhc, Griffiths; hc, Weeks. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Dykes, varieg., a wonder, excellent shape, well drawn, straight as a gun barrel, clear win; 2, c, Bevan, very racy, well braced wings and tail, erect and fearless; 3, vhc, Watkins, cap mkd., good in type and qual.; 4, Pritchard; hc, Griffiths. HEN (8): 1, Dykes, monster of a lady, carries charming feather, ideal head and neck, well drawn cut; 2, Griffiths, grand outlines of a Yorkie, full of style; 3, Bevan, smart and well drawn, grand head and neck, full of swank; 4, vhc, hc, c, Watkins. NOV. YORKS. CK. (9): 1, Parfitt, mkd. buff, lovely feather, erect and full of swank, round as a bottle, good wing carr.; 2, Llewellen, grizzle wing yell., rare outlines, grand top end, excellent qual. of feather; 3, Parry, a real good one, bonny type and qual., but hurt its foot; 4, c, Griffiths; vhc, Arthur; hc, Watkins. HEN (5): 1, Warr, smart yell., topping type, nice texture of feather, well up on leg, very sweet; 2, Llewellyn, buff, good top and wing carr., well put down; 3, 4, Watkins, buff, grand feather, nice type and qual.; vhc, Harris. UNFLIG. CK. (17): Strong class: 1, Clift, yell., stands like a soldier, rare legs, grand qual., grand wings and tail, not a "big 'un"; 2, vhc, Harris, smart buff, all there for type and qual., full of swank, just loses at top end; 3, Parfitt, varieg. yell., lovely qual. and pos., even wings and tail; 4, Maidment; hc, Warr; c, Griffiths. HEN (13): 1, Maidment, cl. buff, flier for type and qual., round as a bottle, grand pair of pins, which she uses; 2, Latham, eye mkd. yell., racy, full of go, plenty behind leg, staged to perfection; 3, Parfitt, wing mkd. buff, a bit racy for a buff, exquisite feather, good wings; 4, Arthur; vhc, Clift; hc, Warr; c, Harris. BORD. CK. (6): 1, 3, Jeremiah, looks like a hen, very jaunty, sweet contour, full of type, marble head, clean cut, 3 varieg. yell., full of swank, sweet head, well moulded, correct type; 2, Jenkins, var. buff, a good one, charming feather, well packed wings and tail, moves freely; vhc, c, Jones; hc, Cooper. HEN (4): 1, Jenkins, cinn. mkd. buff, topper, gem of the first water, sweet head and neck, jaunty, easy win; 2, Jones, yell., very small, marble shaped head, clean cut away; 3, Cooper, buff, well moulded, broken tail; vhc, Jeremiah. A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Bevan, Yorks. Greens, leader grand tone of rich grass green, 2 yell. hen, erect and fearless, nice col. and pencilling. PAIRS (4): 1, 3, G. T. Jones, Nor., well matched, size and qual. on both sides, 3 Nor., lovely hen, grand head and neck, teeming with qual.; 2, Bevan, Yorks. Greens, grand yell. hen, cock could do with more size; vhc, Tedstone. GOLDF. (8): 1, 4, E. Davies, lovely square blaze, good top, clean cut collar, richly tanned; 2, hc, Lewis, good face and tanning, even buttons and plenty of gold, beaten size only; 3, Russell, very smart, rare blaze, deep crimson, rich tone of tan, even bars and buttons, on the small size; vhc, Edwards; c, W. Davies. BULLF. (3): 1, Russell, rare size and cond., capital shade of blue, good head, h.m.; 2, Price, f.m., should moult out a good one, nice size. LINNET (3): 1, Price, well-pencilled, rich nut brown, cone shape, easy win; 2, Richards, nicely pencilled, rare size and condition, bit wild. GREENF., ETC. (2): 1, Price, well spangled Bramble, nice size and cond., well laced. A.O.V. (2): 1, Crawford Bros., marvel of a Waxwing, grand crest, in the best of form. HYB. (1): D. Edwards, lovely Goldf.-Bullf., rare col. and size. CAN. MULE (3): 1, 2, Ball, very good Greenf. Mules, excellent cond., put down in faultless form, leader takes it in size; 3, Brittle, Linnet Mule, wild, and on the small side, nice shape. FOR., SMALL (2): 1, Bevan, Red-headed Cardinal, would win in better company, well staged; 2, Woodhall, Green Budgerigars, staged to perfection. LOCAL. (8): 1, Lippitt; 2, Pitchford; 3, Morgan; 4, Howells; vhc, Miss Saunders; hc, Harris; c, Williams.

ABERDEEN.

Remainder of awards at the show of the Aberdeen Amalgamated C.B.S., held Dec. 18-19 (continued from page 359).

CINN. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Bentley; 3, 4, Proctor; 5, Dormer; 6, Wagstaff. HEN (7): 1, 5, 6, Proctor; 2, Wilson; 3, Bentley; 4, Dormer. UNFLIG. (7): 1, Dormer; 2, Rae; 3, 4, 5, Proctor; 6, Clubb. NOV. (11): 1, 2, 3, 5, Dick; 4, 6, Macdonald. BELG. (1): Todd. SCOTCH FANCY (2): 1, Todd. A.O.V. (3): 1, Sandison; 2, Rae; 3, Ross and Duncan. STOCK CK. (8): 1, Dun; 2, Collie; 3, Sandison; 4, Reid; 5, Yeats, jun.; 6, Hector. HEN (4): 1, Sandison; 2, Scott; 3, Clubb; 4, Ross and Duncan. CL., ETC., CAN. HYB. (5): 1, Nicolson; 2, Mackie; 3, 4, 5, Hector. DARK: 1, Hayter; 2, 3, Roy; 4, 5, Nicoll; 6, Hector. HYB. (6): 1, 3, Campbell; 2, Fyfe; 4, Wright; 5, Wilson. PAIR (3): 1, 3, Douglas; 2, Nicolson. GOLDF. (12): 1, Palmer; 2, Hayter; 3, Campbell; 4, Hareombe; 5, Gentleman; 6, Bisset. BULLF. (5): 1, Black and Hendrie; 2, Massie; 3, Boag; 4, Craigen. LINNET, H.M. (11): 1, Hird; 2, Parker; 3, Nicolson; 4, Connachar; 5, Nicoll; 6, Wilson. F.M. (1): Campbell. SISKIN (9): 1, Nicolson; 2, Boag; 3, 5, Black and Hendrie; 4, Fyfe; 6, R. and J. Gentleman. GREENF. (10): 1, Nicolson; 2, Robertson; 3, Campbell; 4, R. and J. Gentleman; 5, Stewart and Milne; 6, Wilson. REDPOLL OR TWITE (7): 1, Nicolson; 2, Boag; 3, Hayter; 4, Campbell; 5, Gordon; 6, Black and Hendrie. BRAMBLE, ETC. (9): 1, Wilson; 2, Parker; 3, Hayter; 4, Mackie; 5, Robertson; 6, Dick. BULLF. HEN (6): 1, Greig, jun.; 2, Boag.; 3, R. and J. Gentleman; 4, Campbell; 5, Robertson; 6, Bain Bros. A.O. HEN (9): 1, Taylor; 2, 3, Robertson; 4, Anderson; 5, R. and J. Gentleman; 6, Mackie. SMALL INSECTIV. (12): 1, 2, 4, Taylor; 3, Manson; 5, Robertson; 6, Irvine. LARGE (7): 1, Greig; 2, 3, 4, 6, Robertson; 5, Parker. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Hird; 2, Roy. FOR., SMALL. (3): 1, 2, Robertson; 3, Low. AMAT. NOR. OLD CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (14): 1, Forsyth; 2, Rae; 3, Johnstone; 4, Fleming; 5, Cushnie; 6, Cummings. HEN (12): 1, Robb; 2, Dressel; 3, Forsyth; 4, Cummings; 5, McDonald; 6, Reid. BUFF CK. (14): 1, Fyfe; 2, 5, Dressel; 3, Garden; 4, 6, Johnstone. HEN (16): 1, Davidson; 2, Fyfe; 3, 5, Dressel; 4, Robb; 6, Forsyth. CINN. (2): 1, 2, Bruce. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, 2, Stephen; 3, Reid; 4, Rae; 5, Ross and Duncan; 6, Massie. HEN (9): 1, Ross and Duncan; 2, Strachan; 3, Johnstone; 4, Rae; 5, Davidson; 6, Sinclair. BUFF (11): 1, 4, Sinclair; 2, Forsyth; 3, Robb; 5, Strachan; 6, Rae. HEN (15): 1, Strachan; 2, Garden; 3, Cummings; 4, Robb; 5, Ross and Duncan; 6, Rae. CINN. (1): 1, Prince. CREST: 1, McDonald. NAT. COL. CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, 2, Noble; 3, Dressel; 4, Cushnie; 5, Campbell; 6, Sinclair. HEN (8): 1, 5, Dressel; 2, Noble; 3, Bowie; 4, Cushnie; 6, Cruickshank. BUFF (9): 1, Campbell; 2, 5, 6, Dressel; 3, 4, Fleming. HEN (9): 1, 5, 6, Dressel; 2, Garden; 3, Bowie; 4, Robertson. GREEN (6): 1, Garden; 2, Campbell; 3, Dressel; 4, Stephen; 5, Sinclair; 6, Dick. UNFLIG. CREST: 1, Maine. C.B.: 1, Maine. CL., ETC., YELL. NOR. CK. (5): 1, 2, Noble; 3, Collie; 4, Johnstone. HEN (5): 1, 5, Cruickshank; 2, 3, Johnstone; 4, Cummings. BUFF CK. (6): 1, 6, Noble; 2, Cummings; 6, Cruickshank; 4, 5, Anderson. HEN (11): 1, Stephen; 2, 3, Noble; 4, Sinclair; 5, Prince; 6, Robertson. GREEN (7): 1, 5, Sinclair; 2, Stephens; 3, 6, Johnstone; 4, Garden. A.O.V. (3): 1, Forsyth; 2, Sinclair; 3, McDonald. PAIRS (5): 1, Massie; 2, Rae; 3, Bowie; 4, Strachan; 5, Robertson. MULES (11): 1, 2, 3, Park; 4, 6, Cleaver; 5, Strachan. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, Steel; 5, 6, Park. GREENF. (8): 1, 6, Steel; 2, Fyfe; 3, 4, Cleaver; 5, Park. LINNET (3): 1, Steel; 2, Park; 3, Campbell. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, 3, 5, Park; 2, 6, Steel; 4, Strachan. HEN (7): 1, 3, 6, Park; 2, 5, Steel; 4, Dick. A.O.S. (4): 1, Low; 2, Steel; 3, Johnstone; 4, Park.

NEWARK C.B.S.

5th Annual Show, Friendly Societies' Hall. Entries were good and quality excellent. Mr. W. Lidgett, the hon. sec., won challenge cup best bird with a Cockatoo, and the challenge cup for best 1914 Canary bred and exhibited by a member. Mr. W. Vardy judged

From the newspaper cutting sent by the hon. sec. we take the following principal winners:—NOR.: Lidgett, Fitchett, Toynbee, Hopkinson, Lamb. YORKS: Staniland, Ashton, Fitchett. A.O.V.: Fitchett, Lidgett. 1914 BIRDS: Lidgett, Fitchett, Staniland. BRIT.: Lamb, Lidgett, Toynbee. FOR.: Lidgett, Staniland.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S.

Fifth annual show, Assembly Room, Three Tuns. A record show for the locality, nearly 300 birds being staged. Norwich were particularly strong, while Yorks. were not over strong in numbers, though quality was beyond question. British were strongly in evidence, and altogether competition was unusually keen throughout. Mr. E. Fox judged to the general satisfaction. The secretarial duties were jointly discharged by Messrs. A. Smith and G. Lees, and their whole-hearted energies, combined with those of the working committee, met with a well-deserved reward.

The cutting sent by the joint hon. secs. gives principal winners as follows: NOR.: Smedley, Simpson, Adnitt, Bradley, Faux, Wilcox, Earnshaw, Stretton, Holmes Bros., White, Porter, Carrington. YORKS.: Kew, Beardall, Freebury, Housley, Parkin and Son, Dickens, Potts, Lees. CREST: Holmes Bros., Adnitt, Beardall. MULES: Adnitt, Smith, Hayter, White. BRIT.: Hayter, Adnitt, Beers, Smith, Lees, Henshaw, Kew. FOR.: Smith, Potts, Lees. MEMB. POINTS, SPS.: J. Adnitt, 141, cup; A. Smith, 50; A. Kew, 45; W. Bradley, 42; G. Lees, 40; B. Simpson, 39; W. Henshaw, 32; F. White, 27; W. Porter, 27; W. Dickens, 21; S. Prince, 13; P. Potts, 10; W. Harrison, 8; W. Bradley, for best Nor. Mr. Adnitt, having won the cup three years in succession, retains the trophy.

USE OUR NOTEPAPER.

SUNDERLAND.

Sunderland C.B.A., the oldest established in the north, held its 25th annual open show Jan. 15 and 16, and it proved in every way a big success. The venue was again the Miners' Hall, Monkswearmouth, a fine place for a show, nice light, good size, and in every way adapted to meet the requirements of both exhibits and exhibitors. The war scare which has caused the abandonment of so many open shows evidently had no terrors for the Sunderland fanciers, for they not only decided to run their annual two days' show but actually increased their classification. In the circumstances, and taking into consideration the fact that there was no other open show in the district the entry of 666, although very good, was not quite up to expectations, this being probably due to the lateness of the season and to the fact that the season's winners have been practically settled. Norwich made a fine display, the majority of the birds excelling in size and type and teeming with quality. Mr. E. Kennerson took diploma for best in section with a very nice unflighted yellow hen, a bird that should do him some good. Crests were not very numerous, but competition was very keen. Mr. Geo. Dobson took the diploma with his well-known Crest. Yorks. were a very stylish lot, and very true to type. Mr. H. H. Towers took diploma for champion Yorks., and Miss .E. E. Pyman sp. best unflighted. Borders came up well, totalling 127 in nine classes, and quality all through was superb. Several Scottish National winners were on view, and one of them, the buff hen which won sp. for best Border at the big Scottish event (now in new hands), beat its previous fine performance by securing diploma for best bird in show, after a hard tussle with Mr. R. D. Parlett's well-known "White Rose." Lizards were a magnificent collection, and we doubt if there has ever been a finer display of the spangled beautice; such a grand show of this charming variety will undoubtedly give a much needed impetus to it in the north. The class for Light Mules or Hybrids contained nine entries, and Mr. Parlett's now celebrated "White Rose" took premier honours, and diploma for best Mule or Hybrid, beating a clear Goldie-Canary exhibited by Mr. J. Maddison and a dark Canary-Bullf. and Gr enf.-Chaffinch shown by Dr. Wilson. Needless to say, "White Rose" was a great centre of attraction, and the bird found many new admirers. British were superb, strong classes and grand birds, one of the finest displays seen in the north this season. Mr. J. Davison secured diploma for best British with a very nice Waxwing, but our own opinion inclined to the grand Bullie shown by Dr. Wilson, which we consider about the most perfect Bullie that has yet been staged. Foreign birds were not numerous, but what was lacking in numbers was quite amply made up in quality, and in this section Nicholson and Son took diploma for best with a lovely Sugar Bird. The show was under the able supervision of the genial chairman, Mr. J. Farfar, who acted as show manager, and all his work was well done. He had under him a grand body of fanciers in Messrs. W. F. Swan, J. Riseborough, W. Reid, G. Davidson, T. Davison, T. Gray, T. W. Smith, A. Brown, R. Procter, W. Owen, C. Waters, J. Macbin, J. M. Walker, and J. Fraser, all doing their best for the good of the show. The clerical work was again in the hands of Mr. J. Peacock, the courteous and obliging secretary; for hard work and ability he is par excellence; and the whole of his work was carried out without the slightest hitch. He was ably assisted by Mr. F. Riseborough, who did some hard work, and did it well. Judges were Mr. T. C. Crawhall (Newcastle), Mr. J. Jobneton (Wallsend), and Mr. G. Wilson (Frizington).

Mr. Crawhall's Classes.

NOR. CL. YELL. (8): 1, Laidlow, fine size, grand shape, deep bold chest, good head and neck, nice col., lovely qual., well carried wings and tail; 2, McKay, hardly so short and cobby, yet a good one for shape, fine size, lovely col. and qual., neat head, grand wings and tail, clean cut away; 3, Wright, magnificent shape, short and cobby, nice size, not so bold in head or so good in col., lovely feather, nice carr.; 4, Morrison; vhc, Kennerson; he, Stanger; c, Hirst. BUFF (10): 1, Hirst, topper all over, grand size, beautiful shape, short cobby body, rare head and neck, rich col. and qual., short well carried wings and tail; 2, Russell and Teasdale, not so nicely cut away, grand size and shape, good col. and qual., lovely neck and chest, grand wings and tail; 3, Morrison, not quite so bold in head as leaders, grand size and shape, cobby build, nice short wings and tail, good col. and qual.; 4, Holliday, bit longer in body, nice col. and qual., neat head and neck, nice carr.; vhc, Pierson; he, Stanger; c, Jeffries. TKD., ETC. (8): 1, Callaway, model for size and shape, grand deep chest, good head and neck, lovely col. and qual., grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Laidlow, even hotter col., nice shape, but a wee bit longer in body perhaps, grand chest, rare head and neck, fine qual. grand wings and tail, clean cut, must have pressed; 3, Holden, hardly the depth of chest, yet a grand one, fine size, cobbily built, good head and neck, fine col. and qual., beautifully cleaned out; 4, he, Stephenson, very similar to 3rd, fine qual., not so well finished behind; vhc, McGinn; c, Lawson. HEN (10): 1, Moore, fine size, lovely shape, short cobby body, grand head, neck and chest, hot col., fine qual., grand wings and tail, well cleaned under; 2, Hirst, not quite the depth of chest, yet all there for shape and size, nice col. and qual., good head and neck, well carried wings and tail; 3, McGinn, bit smaller, fine shape, short and cobby, neat head and neck, grand col. and qual., nice chest and back, clean cut under; 4, Holden, nice size, good shape, deep chest, neat head and wing carr.; vhc, Morrison; he, Roddan.; c, Kennerson. YELL., 1914 (7): 1, Laidlow, magnificent shape, fine size, short cobby body, deep full chest, lovely col. and qual., neat head, grand wings and tail; 2, Pierson, grand size and shape, not so hot in col. or quite so good in head, nice chest and back, lovely wings and tail; 3, Russell and Teasdale, on smaller lines, yet a good one, grand shape, lovely col. and qual., beautifully cut away, short well carried wings and tail; 4, Clayton and Smith, slimmer, nice shape, hot col., fine qual. and feather. BUFF (12): 1, Morrison, gem all over, grand shape, size and col., bold head, nice chest and back, clothed with grand feather, short wings and tail; 2, vhc, Callaway, not the col. of leader, grand shape, nice size, lovely feather, neat head and neck, short well carried wings, well cleaned under; 3, Holliday, topper, beautiful shape, short and thick, lovely head, nice chest and back, grand col. and qual., well cut away, must have pressed winners close; 4, Priestley, nice shape, grand feather, tight as wax, beautifully cut away; he, Lawson; c, Scott. HEN (9): 1, Kennerson, gem, medium size, magnificent shape, good deep chest, neat head, grand col., feather of the finest texture, short wings, grandly cut away, takes diploma best Nor; 2, McGinn, not so stoutly built, yet a grand hen, fine size and shape, nice col., lovely qual., well cleaned under, short neat wings and tail; 3, Hirst, fine size and shape, deep chest, hot col., grand qual. and finish, not quite so bold in head, short well carried wings and tail; 4, Clayton and Smith, nice shape, good col. and qual., neat head, lovely finish; vhc, Bates; he, Fraser; c, Morrison. NOV. (15): 1, Firth, fine size and shape, rare head and neck, nice chest, grand col. and qual., well carried wings and tail; 2, Priestley, topper, magnificent shape, short well rounded body, red-hot col., good head, neck and chest, beautifully carried wings and tail; 3, c, Heald, scarcely so bold in head, nice size and shape, hot col., lovely qual., well carried wings and tail; 4, Bird, nice shape, lovely feather and finish, well cleaned under; vhc, Proctor; he, Strathearn. CREST (5): 1, 2, Dobson, two grand ones, leader varieg., lovely spread, grand shape, lovely droop and density, neat centre and finish, 2nd not the leafy feather of winner, yet grand size and shape, neat centre and droop; 3, Richardson, wing mkd. D.C., nice one for size and shape, neat centre and finish; 4, Jeffrice, wing mkd., nice crest for size and shape, but lacks the fine finish of leader; vhc, Bewick. C.B. (7): 1, vhc, Dobson, nearly gr., rare size, wonderful lash, which perhaps made it look better than it really is; 2, Bewick, varieg., better flow of feather behind poll, nice round skull, well packed on top, nice rise and entrance; 3, J. Taylor, varieg., rare skull, grand size, good rise and width, appears to carry any amount of feather behind poll; 4, Tate, cl., great size and subs., nice broad skull, well lashed. CREST, 1914 (6): 1, 4, J. Taylor, heavy varieg., grand crest for size and shape, good droop and formation, dense in feather, grand front, neat centre and finish, 4th wing marked D.C., shapely crest, neat centre and finish; 2, Bewick, clear body D.C., nice shape, not the size of leader, grand droop and density, neat centre, nice finish; 3, Richardson, foul tail gr., good crest, hardly so well filled in at sides as leaders, nice droop and density, neat centre, well finished; vhc, Tate; he, Smith. C.B. (7): 1, J. Taylor, foul tail gr., rare size and subs., massive skull, good entrance and width, grand feather; 2, he, Tate, heavy varieg., not the massive skull of leader, nice rise and entrance, good flow of feather behind; 3, Dobson, cl., fine size, good skull, not so well domed on top, nice entrance and lash; 4, Bewick, varieg., good skull, well packed on top, and grand flow of feather; vhc, Swan; c, Riseborough. YORKS., YELL. CL., ETC. (7): 1, Towers, gem, grand length, straight as a rush, beautifully rounded, slim and finely drawn, hot col., grand qual., grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Stewart, long and beautifully tapered, neat narrow shoulders and waist, nice head, well rounded body, well carried wings and tail, not the col. of leader; 3, Dykes, shade heavier in build, well rounded shoulders, nice head and neck, good col. and qual., lovely carr.; 4, Pyman, fine length, hot col. and qual., well drawn, wee bit open on breast; vhc, Taylor; he, Carlisle; c, Bradley. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, medium length, straight as a gun barrel, beautifully tapered, nice shoulders and waist, neat head, lovely col., fine boxy feather, well carried wings and tail; 2, Stewart, lovely pos., straight as a rush, good head and neck, grand shoulders, lovely col. and qual., hardly so well finished at waist; 3, Bradley, trifle flatter on sides, but a topper for length and pos., well drawn, good col. and qual., grandly braced wings and tail; 4, Tindale, all there for length and pos., nice col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; vhc, Deighton; he, Taylor; c, Walsh. HEN (12): 1, vhc, Tindale, fine lengthy yell., grand legs, beautifully rounded body, grand shoulders and waist, well tapered, rich col. and qual., perfectly fitting wings and tail; 2, Stewart, another grand yell., not the col. of winner, but a topper for length and pos., well up on legs, neat narrow shoulders, finely tapered, lovely wing carr.; 3, Dykes, buff, medium length, grand position, nicely rounded body, well drawn at waist, good col., feather of the finest qual., close fitting wings and tail, nice all over; 4, Pyman, yell., good length, grand style and pos., beautifully tapered, nice col. and qual., not so smooth on breast; he, Walsh; c, Deighton. YELL. 1914 (14): 1, Towers, topper all over, fine length, straight as a guardsman, grandly rounded body, neat narrow shoulders, nice head and neck, grand col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, he, Tindale, hardly so finely drawn, fine length, well up on grand legs, neat well rounded shoulders, nice head, grand col., feather perfection, fine wings and tail; 3, Dykes, long and finely drawn, very stylish, hot col., grand feather and finish, neat head, hardly so perfect in wing carr.; 4, Taylor, very slim and stylish, not quite so erect, grand col. and feather, nice shoulders, well carried wings; vhc, Stewart; c, Kennerson. BUFF (11): 1, Pyman, magnificent length and pos., straight as a rush, slim and finely drawn, neat narrow shoulders, grand col., lovely boxwood feather, beautifully braced wings and tail, wins special best unflig.; 2, Stewart, better col. even than winner, nice length, very erect, grand shoulders, but not so finely drawn at waist, lovely feather, grand wings and tail; 3, Carlisle, nice length and pos., straight up on fine legs, well rounded body, neat head; 4, Walsh, trifle heavier at waist, nice length, grand pos., good col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; vhc, Dykes; he, Towers; c, Tindale. NOV. YELL. (6): 1, Farnish, nice one all over, fine length and pos., well rounded, neat shoulders and waist, nice col., good wings and tail; 2, Willis, not so well rounded, nice length and pos., well up on good legs, good col. and qual., neat wing carr.; 3, Baxter, trifle thicker perhaps, nice length, well up, nice col. and qual., not so perfect in wing carr.; 4, Gregory, hardly so finely drawn, well rounded, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; vhc, Owens; he, Wannock. BUFF (5): 1, sp. best novice, Farnish, fine length, straight as a rush, well rounded, lovely col. and feather, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Gregory, not quite the length, nicely rounded body, lovely pos., neat head and neck, nice shoulders and waist, finely braced wings and tail; 3, Harrison, extra length, grand pos., shade flatter on back than leaders, slim and well drawn, good wings and tail; 4, Boggon, fine length, nice col. and qual., grandly carried wings and tail; vhc, Willis. 1914 (10): 1, Harrison, grand length and pos., straight up on fine legs, hot col., lovely qual., neat head and shoulders, well braced wings and tail; 2, vhc, Willis, not so finely drawn, but nice length and pos., nice col. and feather, good wing carr.; 3, Farnish, hardly so erect, hot col., grand length, well tapered, grandly braced wings and tail; 4, Gray, we could not find, probably in members' classes; he, Smith; c, Gregory. LIZ., GOLD CL. CAP (9): 1, c, Hamer, fine size and shape, lovely ground col., beautifully spangled, laid on in even rows, nice legs and feet, takes diploma best Lizard; 2, Rukin, topper all over, good size and shape, rich solid ground col., bold distinct spangling, beautifully roued, more perfect cap than leader, and we thought a trifle unlucky to lose, yet not much between them; 3, vhc, Barnes, shade smaller in build, plenty of bold distinct spangling, not quite so perfect in rowing as leaders, good ground col., and nice cap.; 4, Davidson, nice distinct spangling, but hardly so much of it; he, Reid; c, Hamer. SILVER (10): 1, 2, Hamer, beauties, leader fine size and shape, beautifully worked all over, lovely rowing, nice cap, sound col. all through, 2nd grand size and shape, lovely spangling, laid on in even rows, nice cap, rich col. all through, not quite so well laced on flanks otherwise the equal of leader all over; 3, Rukin, shade smaller, fine shape, lovely back work, not so well rowed, nice cap and ground col.; 4, Hampshire, good one all over, better inrowing than 3rd, nice bold spangle, neat cap, good sound ground col.; vhc, Reid; he, Barnes; c, Hyslop. BROKEN (16): 1, 2, Hamer, leader Gold, nice size and shape, rich col., beautifully rowed back, good bold spangling, well laced, nice feet and legs, 2nd gem of a Silver, grandly worked all over, lovely back, clear distinct spangling, laid on in grand order, grand col., feathers to perfection; 3, Barnes, Silver, nice one for spangle, but hardly so well defined, beautifully rowed, rich ground col.; 4, Rukin, Gold, nice size, rich col., solid all through, nicely spangled, but not so distinct, and gets wings over a bit at times; vhc, Millington; he, c, Reid. GOLD HEN (11): 1, Reid, nearly non-cap, medium size, beautifully spangled all over, grandly rowed, fine body work, sound and level in col., good feet and legs; 2, 4, Rukin, nice size and shape, not so profuse in spangling, but grandly rowed and clearly defined, nice ground col., and level all through, 4th cl. cap, nice col., grandly rowed back, fine formation, good spangle; 3, Millington, cl. cap., good one all over, nice bold spangle, clearly defined and well rowed, nice ground col.; vhc, Hampshire; he, c, Riseborough. SILVER (15): 1, 2, vhc, c, Rukin, magnificent team, leader nearly non-cap, grand size and shape, beautifully laid on, rich and solid in ground col., grandly laced, fine feet and legs, 2nd cl. cap, a topper all over, beautifully spangled, clear and distinct, laid on in perfect order, grandly laced, not so rich in ground col., otherwise equal in every respect, a grand lady; 3, 4, Hamer, beauties, cl. cap leading, bold distinct spangling, hardly so grandly rowed, rich ground col., well laced, nice feet and legs, 4th broken cap, good spangle, laid on in fine order, well laced; he, Barnes.

Mr. Johnston's Classes.

BORD. YELL., CL. OR TKD. (11): 1, Nicholson, gem for shape, beautifully rounded, sweet head, rich col., perfect feather, beautifully cut away 2, Wilson, gem, equal in shape, grandly rounded, close boxy feather of the finest qual., neat head, just lacks the rich tone of col. of leader; 3, Watson, fine shape, sweet head, free jaunty movement, fine carr., rich col. and qual., grandly braced wings and tail; 4, Purves, fine shape, rich col. and qual., not so perfect in head; vhc, Smart; he, Watson (2); c, Dods. BUFF (12): 1, Espie, topper all over, magnificent shape, beautifully moulded, sweet round head, lovely col., finest feather; 2, Wilson, equal to leader, must have been hard to separate, lovely shape, beautifully rounded, lovely col. and qual., beautifully carried wings and tail; 3, Purves, grand shape, well rounded, rich col. and qual., sweet round head, well braced wings, hardly so tight under, yet hard to find fault with; 4, Nicholson, trifle slimmer, yet lovely shape, grand head and neck, lovely col. and qual.; vhc, Bennett; he, Bates; c, Thomlinson. MKD. (9): 1, 2, Nicholson, two beauties, yellow leading, lovely shape, beautifully rounded, grand head and neck, lovely col., with feather of the finest texture, grandly braced wings and tail; 2nd well-known cinn. fikd. yell., topper all over, grand shape, rich col. and qual., close boxy feather, grand head, perfect wings and tail; 3, Espie, buff, gem all over, lovely shape sweet head and neck, nice col., tight as wax, beautifully braced wings and tail; 4, Watson, lovely col. and qual., tight as a drum, hardly so well rounded on back, grand wings and tail; vhc, Smart; he, Weir; c, Wilson. HEN (11): 1, Dods, buff, Scottish National best Border in new hands, takes diploma for best in section, gem all over, fine shape, rich col., close boxy feather, grand head, beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, Purves, yell., grand shape, beautifully rounded body, lovely carr., free jaunty movement, lovely col. and feathered to perfection, not quite so perfect in head as leader; 3, Bates, buff, grand one, lovely shape, beautifully rounded, sweet head and neck, good col., grandly braced wings and tail; 4, Watson, yell., grand one, though not so well filled in on back as leaders, lovely shape, grand col., rich boxy feather, lovely wings and tail; vhc, Bennett; he, Smart; c, Wilson. GR. OR CINN. YELL. CK. (17): 1, A. and W. Thompson, we understand to be Scottish National winner, nice shape, rich col., pencilling not too heavy, sweet head and neck, well braced wings and tail; 2, Wilson, cinn., gem all over, lovely shape, rich sound col., very level in tone, sweet head and neck, grandly braced wings and tail; 3, Greenwell, gr., lovely shape, rich sound col., level all through, grand qual., sweet head, perfect wings and tail, must have pressed winner close; 4, Dods, nice one for shape, sweet head, nice col. and qual.; vhc, McColl; c, Farrer. BUFF (11): 1, Blakey, topper all over, grand shape, well rounded, sweet head and neck, lovely col., sound in tone all through, nice pencilling, grand feather and finish, well braced wings and tail; 2, Wilson, cinn., beauty for shape, sound col., level all through, sweet head and neck, close boxy feather, grandly carried wings and tail; 3 Dods, gr., fine shape, well rounded, neat head, not quite so sound in col. as leader, yet a nice one; 4, Hamilton, cinn., lovely col., sound and level all through, grand qual.; vhc, Affleck; he, Lambie; c, Montgomery. HEN GR. OR CINN. (13): 1, Wilson, Scottish National winner, lovely shape grand tone of col., delightful feather, sweet head, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Lambie, yell. gr., grand one all over, model for shape, beautifully rounded, grand head and neck, lovely col. and pencilling, beautifully cleaned out, well packed wings and tail; 3, Hamilton, cinn., lovely shape, fine head, grandly rounded body, jaunty movement, nice col., not so rich in tone grand wings and tail; 4, Montgomery, buff gr., nice shape, lovely col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; vhc, Greenwell; he, Affleck; c, Farrer. NOV. CK., A.C. (16): 1, Davison, uneven-mkd. buff, gem all over, magnificent shape, well rounded, grand head and neck, lovely col. and feather of finest texture, beautifully cleaned out, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Blakey, cl. yell., lovely shape and col., beautifully rounded, good head and neck, grand qual., well carried wings and tail; 3, vhc, Render, head fikd. buff, not the grand qual. of feather, yet a good one, fine shape, very stylish, neat head, nice col. and carr., neatly carried wings and tail; 4, Hyslop, cl. yell., grand col., as good as any, except not quite so rich in qual., nice shape, well carried wings and tail; he, Wilson (G.); c, Train. HEN (17): 1, he, Smith, cinn. mkd. yell., gem all over, lovely shape, grand col., close boxy feather, free jaunty carr., sweet head, lovely wings and tail; 2, Strathearn, yell. gr., nice one, fine shape, lovely col., nicely pencilled, neat head, nice carr., well braced wings and tail; 3, 4, Davison, 3rd cl. yell., gem for shape, nice col., neat head, lovely wing carr., fails to leaders only in qual. of feather; 4, yell. cinn., nice one all over, good shape, nice col. and qual., neatly braced wings and tail, clean cut; vhc, Render; c, Hyslop. GIFT (10): 1 Proctor; 2, Waters; 3, Riseborough; 4, Davidson, vhc, Gray; he, Davison; c, Smith.

Mr. Wilson's Classes.

LIGHT MULE OR HYB., INCLUDING CAN.-BULLF. (9): 1, he, Parlett, the now celebrated lightly marked Can.-Bullie, "White Rose," looking as well as ever and apparently as pleased as his owner at having again secured the highest honours, takes diploma for best mule or hybrid; 2, vhc, Maddison, cl. Goldie-Canaries, leader nice one, fine size and shape, lovely col. and qual., and staged in the pink; 3, 4, Dr. Wilson, leader well known dark yell. Can.-Bullie, medium size, fine shape, grand col. and cond.; 4th, Greenf.-Chaffinch, not a big one, but nice col. and feather; c, Dr. Cunningham. DK. (14): 1, Parlett, yell. Greenf.-Can., well known winner, fine shape, size and col., teeming with qual., most perfect cond.; 2, Maddison, yell. Goldf.-Can., rare size, hot col., grand face, lovely wings, perfection of cond.; 3, Hall, Siskin-Can., rare size, grand col., fine qual. feather rare cond. and finish, grandly laced; 4, Stanger, yell. Grf.-Can., nice shape and size, lovely feather and cond., rich col.; vhc, Dr. Wilson; he, Winter; c, Harvey. LINNET, H.M. (16): 1, Dr. Wilson, topper, fine shape and size, bold distinct pencilling, very profuse, nice head and chest, grand col. and cond.; 2, Carr, not so rich in col., grand shape and subs., beautifully pencilled, in fine form; 3, Sergt. Forster, grand size, rare shape, very profuse in pencilling, though hardly so bold and distinct as those above it, nice col. and feather; 4, Bell, nice shape and size, good col., well mkd.; vhc, Davidson; he, c, Boyd. F.M. (19): 1, Parlett, nice one, fine size and shape, good col. and feather, grandly pencilled, clear and distinct, very profuse all over, fine cond.; 2, Simpson, gem for size and shape, beautifully pencilled all over, bold and distinct, nice col., but not so rich in tone; 3, Bell, magnificent col., best in class for richness of tone, beautifully pencilled, bold and clear, very profuse all over, fine size and shape, extra cond., must have been hard to miss; 4, Smith, nice size and shape, good col., nice markings, but not so good on chest, nice cond. and feather; vhc, Handley; he, Bertram; c, Smurthwaite. GOLDF. or BULLF. (17): 1, he, Dr. Wilson, well-known Bullf. leading, magnificent shape, short cobby build, lovely breast col., grand cap, back and bars, about the best Bullie on the benches at present, we liked it for diploma; 2, Almond, lovely Goldf., Gateshead 2nd, topper, fine size and shape, grand clean cut blaze, nice pure col., well tanned lovely wings and buttons, in the pink of cond.; 3, MacGregor, Bullf., Gateshead winner, rare size, fine shape, a bit pinched behind cap, nevertbeless a nice Bullie; 4, Nicholson and Son Goldf., nice size and shape, good clean blaze, nice tans and cond.; vhc, Smurthwaite, Clayton, Smith. REDPOLL, ETC. (15): 1, Carr, Siskin, Shildon winner, fine shape and size, lovely col., nicely laced on flanks, neat cap, rare condition and feather; 2, Dr. Wilson, Twite, nice one for shape and col., good pencilling, fine cond.; 3, Wilford and Adams, Redpoll, nice size and shape, rich col., grandly laced, rare feather and polish; 4 Jamieson and Johnson, Redpoll, plenty of size, nice col. and shape, not so well laced, grand cond.; vhc, Parlett; he, Lambie; c, Waters. GREENF. (12): 1, 2, Parlett, a good one leading, medium size, magnificent shape, short and cobby, rare chest, good head and neck, rich tone of col., feather of very best qual., in the pink; 2nd, another topper for size and shape, short and compactly built, rare head, neck and chest, rich col., but lacks the lovely qual. of winner; 3, Nicholson and Son, not so short and cobby, yet good shape, fine size, good col., neat head, good cond. and feather; 4, Taylor bit smaller, nice shape, true type, nice col. and qual., good cond.; vhc, Cuss; he, Wilford and Adams; c, Waters. BRAMBLE or CHAFFINCH (9): 1, Jamieson and Johnson, Bramble, nice shape and col., breast col. pure in tone, nice hood, well spangled, fine cond. and feather; 2, Waters, Chaffinch, nice size, fine shape, grand body col., nice head, good whites, in fine feather and cond.; 3, Parlett, Bramble, Gateshead winner, easily the best Bramble in class but had lost some tail feathers; 4, Dr. Wilson, Chaffinch, nice size and shape, good breast col., nice whites, good cap, fine feather and cond.; vhc, Nicholson and Son; he, Davison; c, Hooper. A.O. FINCH or BUNTING (8): 1, Bull Hawfinch, grand all over, fine size, rare shape, lovely head, col. pure in tone, grand wings and tail, in the pink; 2, Dr. Wilson, Meadow Bunting, in fine trim, nice col. and cond.; 3, Parlett, Corn Bunting, nice size and shape, good col., profusely pencilled, steady, in fine feather; 4, Nicholson and Son, Yellow Bunting, fine size, good head, very neat V markings, nice col., rare feather and cond.; vhc, Hooper; he, Scott; c, Parlett. SOFTBILL (4): 1, Davison, Waxwing, Gateshead winner, in fine trim, nice size, lovely feather, grand waxes, in the pink of condition, takes diploma best Brit.; 2, 4, Nicholson and Son, Waxwing, not quite so good in wing carr., nice cond.; 4th, very nice Blackcap, nice shape, neat cap, good col. and feather; 3, Scott, very fine Chough, well known, in extra feather and condition we thought might have split the two Waxwings. FOR. SMALL (6): 1, Nicholson, Sugar Bird, very charming exhibit, in glorious feather, pure and lustrous, a centre of attraction for visitors; 2, 3, Arnott, Bullfinch leading, in good feather, fine col. and cond.; 3rd Sugar Bird, nice one, but lacks the grand cond. of winner; 4, vhc, Almond, Rainbow Bunting leading, in glorious feather, colours pure and distinct, in the pink of condition, might have gone higher up; he Pettersson. LARGE (3): 1, Jamieson and Johnson, Ceram Lory, in fine trim; 2 Riseborough, Amazon, nice feather; 3, Ditchfield, Amazon, similar to 2nd, nice cond. MEMB. NOR. YELL. ETC. (3): 1, Proctor; 2, 3, Fraser. BUFF (1): 1, Proctor. MKD. (1): 1, Proctor. NOV. (3): 1, 2, 3, Proctor. PAIRS (1): 1, Peacock. CREST, DK. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Swan; 2, Smith; 4, Riseborough. C.B. (4): 1, 4, Riseborough; 2, 3, Swan. CREST, A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Swan. PAIRS (4): 1, 2, Swan; 3, Peacock; 4, Riseborough. CINN. YELL. (2): 1, 2, Riseborough. BUFF (2): 1, 2, Riseborough. FOUL (1): 1, Riseborough. BORD., CL., ETC YELL. (5): 1, 2, vhc Davison; 3, 4, Swan. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 4, Davison; 3, vhc, Swan. A.O.V. (7): 1, 2, 3, Davison; 4, he Smith; vhc, c, Swan. NOV. (1): 1, Owen. PAIRS (5): 1, 2, 3, Davison; 4, he, Swan; vhc, Peacock. YORKS. YELL. CL., ETC. (10): 1, Gray; 2, Swan; 3, he, Smith; 4, vhc, c, Walker. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Swan; 3 vhc, Walker; 4, Smith; he, Gray. A.O.V. (8): 1, vhc, Swan; 2, he, c, Gray; 3, 4, Smith. NOVICE (2): 1, Owen; 2, Gray. PAIRS (5): 1, 3, Swan; 2, 4, Riseborough; vhc, Peacock. LIZ., GOLD CL. CAP (5): 1, 2, 3, Reid; 4, vhc, Riseborough. SILVER (6): 1, 2, 3, Reid; 4, vhc, he, Riseborough. BROKEN (7): 1, 2, 3, Reid; 4, vhc, he, c, Riseborough. NOV. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Davidson; 2, 4 Proctor. A.O.V. PAIRS (3): 1, Peacock; 2, 3, Riseborough. LINNET H.M. (5): 1, Walker; 2, 4, Waters; 3, Machin; vhc, Fraser. GOLDF. or BULLF. (5): 1, 4, vhc, Smith; 2, Waters; 3, Fraser. A.O.V. (11): 1, 2, 3, Waters; 4, vhc, Fraser; he, Machin; c, Swan. MULE (2): 1, 2, Fraser. FOR. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Peacock.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

WATFORD.

The 10th annual show of the Watford C.B.S. held in the Halsey Hall, Jan. 13 and 14, was quite a success, and although the committee did not have the expected response to their fine classification over 600 birds were staged; the lack of entries from the London fanciers was keenly felt by the management. In the large hall were gathered very fine examples in all sections. Norwich and Yorkshires were of very high merit, and the classes were well filled, but Borders and Crests were disappointing. Hybrids contained some of the cream of these interesting birds, and British were a wonderful collection. Although the Foreign birds had a specialist judge to themselves the entry in some classes was not overwhelming, but the collection as a whole was the best we have seen this season outside the Horticultural Hall; the whole show was most interesting. The hall is an excellent one for a large show, with plenty of artificial light, the management was perfect, and the attendance good. The veteran John Goodall had everything in perfect order, and the birds well looked after; he was assisted by a good body of workers including Messrs. Sears, Corley, Bull, Littlechild, Collen, Pretty, Quantrell, Watts, etc. Mr. W. Rackley is well up to the secretarial duties, and a thorough worker. Some of the Yorkshires from the north arrived rather late on the morning of the show, but the classes were put back to give them time to recover. We heard that the railway company could not guarantee dispatch of exhibits at the close of the show, so the committee wisely decided to dispatch local birds and keep the others until next morning, giving them an hour's feeding by gas-light and sending them off at 7 on the Friday morning. The judges were Messrs. Robson, Silver and Watts. As Mr. Crisp was too unwell to take the Yorkshires Mr. Robson consented to judge them, and he had a big day's work. Catalogues were on sale within a very short time of the last slip being handed in. The members' cup for best three unflighted birds and most points was secured by Mr. J. Fox.

NOR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Sears, nice size, very typical, although a wee shade long, grand head, excelling in qual., well shown; 2, 3, Irons, leader shade bolder in type, fine head and front, good wings and tail, scarcely the col. and finish of winner, 3rd exceedingly clubby, good head and neck, short wings, nice qual.; 4, 6, Fox, big bird, nice type and style, not quite so good in head as winner, but still a capital exhibit; 5, Silk. BUFF (7): 1, Pilcher, capital size, neat head and wings, lovely qual.; 2, Litchfield, good size and type, scarcely so clean cut as we like, nor so bold in head, but nice qual. and cond.; 3, Leech, a real Norwich, wonderfully short, beautifully rounded, grand head, nice short wings and tail, clean cut, some thought the best in the class, much admired; 4, Greaves and Richards, good size, nice bold front, capital wings; 5, Hart; 6, Clark. MKD. YELL. (3): 1, Rollington, big bold yell., grand subs., nice wide skull, full neck and front, neat wings and tail, sound rich col. and qual.; 2, Bowler, even bolder and fuller type, hardly so good in head, but nice wings and tail, A1 cond.; 3, Leech, not the size of winners, but neat type, nice qual. feather. BUFF (4): 1, Rooney, rare subs., good style, bold full head and neck, well filled in back, capital wings and tail, nice qual. feather; 2, Silk, not the subs. of 1st, but capital type and style, neat head, well braced wings, sound cond.; 3, Rollington, typical, good bold front, nice wings and tail, lovely qual., bit down in col.; 4, Miller. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Silk, very typical, nicely proportioned, bold head and neck, well rounded front, neat wings, lovely qual. feather; 2, Gough and Leach, var., scarcely the subs., but typical, neat head and wings, A1 cond.; 3, Lewis and Coulson, cheek mkd., rather smaller but very chubby and typical, neat wings and tail, lovely qual.; 4, Sears. BUFF (10): 1, Gough and Loach, grand thick-set lady, good head and neck, full front and back, well braced wings, neat tail, sound cond.; 2, Sears, grand size, nice style, typical, good head and neck, extra good qual. feather.; 3, 4, Fox, leader thick-set chubby bird, nice short wings and tail, grand qual., 4th big bird, good front and back, scarcely the finish of winners; 5, Rollington; 6, Silk. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Sears, wonderful size, rare head and neck, set well into shoulders, nicely rounded, good wings and tail, grand col.; 2, Fox, another good one, but scarcely the skull of winner, well rounded and packed, good wings, A1 qual. and cond.; 3, Irons, var., shade smaller, clean cut, plenty in front of perch, good sound col.; 4, Pilcher, nice wing mkd. bird, capital type, beaten finish; 5, Frost and Rogers. BUFF (11): 1, Irons, not a big one, probably the smallest in the class, but a wonder for col. and qual., almost perfect in type, clean cut away to a well-carried tail, grand head and neck, tight wings; 2, Silk, good all round, plenty of subs., but not so clean cut as winner, nor the col. and polish, still a nice one; 3, Leech, bonny typical bird, good head and wings, inclined to be wild; 4, Fox, smaller, but lovely qual. and finish. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Thompson, var., shade long in body, but stoutly built, good head and wing, nice cond.; 2, Burt, shorter, typical neat head, nicely rounded, well filled back, capital wings, A1 qual.; 3, Lacohee, big var., bold fronted bird, capital head and neck, hardly the finish of winner; 4, 6, Hartup, nice short bird, beautifully proportioned, neat head, nice wing car., grand cond.; 5, Brown. BUFF (12): 1, Shirley, bonny bird, rare subs., nice full head and neck, good width of shoulders, short wings, A1 qual.; 2, Smith, hardly so clean cut as winner, but capital type, good wings and tail; 3, 5, Brown, shade longer and a bit weaker in head, but grand qual., with good wings; 4, Kerr, very short and nice head, back, and wings, lovely qual., we liked immensely; 6, Burt. HEN (9): 1, Hall, capital type and style, although inclined to be feathery, good bold head and neck, full back, nice wings; 2, Kerr, fine bold var. buff, scarcely so good in head, but nicely moulded body, A1 wing carr.; 3, 4, Lacohee, shorter, shade better in head, nice full front, good wings and tail; A1 qual., 4th wonderful size for a lady, capital head and neck, good shoulders, bit down in finish; 5, Harvey; 6, Brown. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Brown, bonny buff, grand subs., nicely proportioned and filled in all round, bold head, good wings and tail, A1 cond.; 2, 4, Shirley, lovely wing mkd. yell., good subs., capital head, width of shoulders, and wing carr., 4th hot colour var. yell., grand head, good bold front, neat wings; 3, Deer, big grizzle cap buff, rare subs., nice head and neck, good back, stands well; 5, Hartup; 6, Dumbleton. YORKS. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Ogden Bros., magnificent bird, rare length and style, beautifully rounded and nicely drawn, splendid cond., A1 qual., hot col.; 2, Buckingham, must have pressed, although just a shade shorter, lovely head and shoulders, better wing carr., tight as wax, a real beauty; 3, Dyke, another beauty, well up on leg, nicely drawn, grand length of wing, lovely cond.; 4, Bell, bit shorter than winner, but still a good one; 5, Scudder; 6, Easterling. BUFF (8): 1, Ogden Bros., wonderful size, inclined to bulk, nicely rounded, well balanced and drawn, grand tightly braced wings, neat tail, rare col. and qual., in the pink; 2, Dyke, close up, slimmer type, lovely style and pose, wonderful length of wings, well up on leg, tight as wax; 3, C. Buckingham, wee shade shorter, beautifully drawn and moulded, grand wings and tail, A1 cond.; 4, Easterling, nice wing tkd., fine length, well filled in, good wings; 5, Bell. MKD. YELL. (15): 1, Dykes, lovely type and style, good pos., well up on leg, grand head and wings, good shoulders and back, A1 col., the best of cond.; 2, 6, Aulman, lovely three-pointed, fine length and type, neat head and wings, stands well, just a wee down in cond.; 3, Easterling, smart var., nicely drawn, takes good pos., well filled all round, nice qual.; 4, 5, Scudder, typical, as tight as wax, wee bit on the small side, full of polish. BUFF (6): 1, Dykes, very fine var., grand length and pos., well up on leg, good shoulders, tightly packed wings, sound cond.; 2, Hume and Cundy, var., nice style, fine length, good smooth front, capital wings, A1 qual.; 3, Scudder, cinn. mkd., fine length and style, good head, nice bit of shoulders, rich col., sound cond.; 4, Smith, lengthy and smart, good style, well up on legs, capital wings; 5, Easterling. HEN (8): 1, Dykes, charming damsel, sweetly moulded, neat head and wings, nice length of leg, grand qual. and cond.; 2, Buckingham, beauty, close up, rare style for a lady, good pos., neat head, nice length of wings, sound cond.; 3, Easterling, neat, nice length, beautifully drawn, good wings, A1 cond.; 4, Darlington Bros., good one, nice type and length, handles well, scarcely so good in head, still useful; 5, Brown; 6, Plumb. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Ogden Bros., beauty for type and style, not the best of heads, good length of wings, neat tail and nicely drawn, grand cond.; 2, Dykes, very smart, wonderful length, neat head, good back and wings, nicely cut away, in the pink; 3, Buckingham, wing and cap mkd., fine length, beautifully drawn, tightly braced wings, A1 cond.; 4, Easterling, smart, capital style, well up on legs, A1 wings, sound cond.; 5, Brown; 6, Plumb. BUFF (10): 1, Ogden Bros., wonderful length, typical, beautifully drawn, good wings, smooth front, best of cond.; 2, Dykes, smart, nice length, well up on leg, good pos., neat head, well filled back, capital wings; 3, Scudder, cap and wing mkd., fine type, good head, back and wings, nicely drawn, scarcely the high finish of winners; 4, Plumb, fine length and style, capital wings, scarcely hot enough, lovely qual.; 5, Smith 6, Easterling. NOVICE YELL. (6): 1, Thomas, fine length, stylish and nervy, beautifully drawn, well up on legs, capital wings; 2, Ozelton, one of the best, lovely type, not well shown, or would doubtless have won; 3, 4, Piggins, typical, fine length of wings, nice carr. and pos., neat tail, A1 qual., 4th plenty of size, grand length, good wings, rare stock bird; 5, Armstrong; 6, Winter. BUFF (5): 1, Piggins, lengthy, fine type, well up on leg for a buff, capital wings, closely carried neat tail, in very fine order; 2, Hawkins, good one, close up, fine length of side, neat head, good bit of shoulder, A1 wings, sound cond.; 3, Boggin, very smart, beautifully drawn, yet nicely moulded, smart wing carr., nice qual. feather; 4, Bates, nice long var., scarcely so straight as winners, but capital qual.; 5, King. HEN (11): 1, 6, Piggin, very fine buff, grand type and length, neat head, good shoulders and back, A1 wings, fine cond.; 2, Hawkins, lovely yell., capital length, stylish and smart, nice length of wing, neat tail, capital qual.; 3, Ozelton, could do with a tub, nice wing carr.; 4, Bunkley, very fine bird, capital length and style, well up on leg, neat head and wings, A1 cond.; 5, Thomas. UNFLIG (15): 1, King, wonderful size and length, capital head, good shoulders and back, tightly braced wings, A1 qual., sound cond.; 2, Hawkins, buff, very nice, although shade smaller, well up on legs, nice length of wings, capital qual.; 3, 6, Piggin, good yell., fine length, stylish, well drawn, on good legs, neat wings, hardly the finish; 4, Ozelton, neat yell., good length, somewhat soiled; 5, Thomas. BORD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Burton Bros., beautifully balanced and moulded, neat head, good wing carr., lovely qual.; 2, Philpot, nice one, typical and smart, scarcely so good in head; 3, Kybert, real good one, nicely moulded, moves freely, grand head and wings, A1 qual. BUFF (2): 1, Philpot, long, smart, nice style, neat head and wing, might be filled in a bit more at chin, but lovely qual.; 2, Burton Bros., beautifully filled in and moulded all round, grand head, smart wing carriage, nicely balanced body, lovely qual. feather. A.O.V. (1): Claydon, nice style, A1 cond. HEN (4): 1, Philpot, nicely balanced and moulded, good head and wings, but lacks bloom, although nice qual.; 2, Kybert, var. buff, nice type, hardly at its best; 3, Burton Bros., charming exhibit, real typical Bord., nicely balanced and modelled, grand head and wings, full of polish, some thought a winner. CRESTS (2): 1, Edwards, big var., crest of nice size and shape, good droop and centre; 2, Miss Onslow. C.B. (2): 1, Hart, green, grand size and shape, well formed head, full of feather; 2, Edwards. A.O.V. (10): 1, Martin, very fine bold evenly mkd. Nor., typical, well filled in, fine size, clean cut, lovely cond.; 2, Gilbert, grand Cinn. Crest, fine size and type, big spreading crest of nice shape, well packed, good qual.; 3, 5, 6, Brooks, big bold Dutch Frill, grand upstanding bird splendid mantle and frill, full of feather; 4, Andrews, very fine Cinn., grand size and type, deep rich col., A1 qual. and cond. LIGHT HYB. (13): 1, Hart, charming Greenf.-Can., fine size and type, good head and wings, slightly grizzled, rare cond.; 2, 3, Lamb, nice eye mkd. yell. Goldie, capital size and shape, very fine cond., 3rd var. Greenf., good size, red-hot col., A1 qual.; 4, Gunnell, well-known wing and tail mkd. yell Goldie, looking well, very fine order; 5, 6, Lawrance. DARK (6): 1, Lamb, fine Goldf.-Can., good size, nice style, well mkd. throughout, grand col. and cond.; 2, Bousfield, bonny buff Goldf., stormer for size and shape, square cut rich blaze, lovely feather, rare cond.; 3, 4, Lawrance, Cinn.-Linnet leading, most charming exhibit, nice size and shape, rich col., in the pink, 4th another fine yell Goldie, not the col. of winner, but capital size and type, good order; 5, Shirley; 6, Stevens. A.O.V. DARK CAN. (16): 1, Goodall, yell. Redpoll-Can., nice size and type, good rich col. and qual.; 2, Andrews, very fine Siskin-Can., grand shape and size, richly mkd. all through, A1 col., fine cond.; 3, Lawrance, dark Greenie, very bold and shapely, we liked immensely, grand rich col., tight as wax; 4, Buckingham, buff Redpoll, nice thick-set bird, well rounded and mkd., A1 order; 5, Dimmock; 6, Aldershead and Clark. BULLF. HYB. (6): 1, 2, Lamb, Can. Bullf., not one of the largest, but shapely, good col., A1 cond., 2nd very smart Linnet-Bullf., nice size and type, capital breast col., in fine order; 3, Gilbert, very fine Greenf.-Bullf., grand size, type and col., distinct in markings, most difficult to find fault with, some thought should have won; 4, Oldham, Goldf.-Bullf., fine size, good bold head, nice splash of col., capital wings, in fine order; 5, Lawrance; 6, Hart. BETWEEN TWO BRIT. (9): 1, 2, Lamb, well-known Greenf.-Chaff. leading, looking fit, 2nd equally well-known Goldf.-Siskin, richly mkd. and coloured; 3, Gilbert, Chaffinch-Bramble, grand size, red-hot col., beautifully mkd., in the pink, close up; 4, Wilmot, very fine Goldf.-Linnet, grand size and shape, inclined to be unsteady, but a good one; 5, Smits; 6, Lawrance. DK. CAN. HYB. HEN (3): 1, Ford, fine big Redpoll, evidently bred from a Mealy, capital shape; 2, Pitchford, nice buff Goldie, capital size and shape, rare cond.; 3, Collen, good Siskin-Can., tight as wax. A.O.V. HEN (6): 1, Andrews, bold Goldf.-Bullf., grand size, full body and head, nicely mkd.; 2, Wilmot, capital four-pointed Goldie, very smart exhibit, in the pink; 3, Collen, Bramble-Chaffinch, lightly built, shapely, grand qual. feather; 4, Carter, good var. Goldie; 5, Buckingham. GOLDF. (19): 1, Williams, nice size, good full face, well tanned, capital wings, wins on polish and cond.; 2, Lloyd-James, very fine Finch, grand bold face, good top and deep under blaze, nicely tanned and well buttoned, scarcely the high polish of winner; 3, Bowler, even bigger face, very square cut and expansive, most richly tanned of the three, grand col. and cond.; 4, 5, Parr, hardly so bold in head as winners, but beautifully proportioned, in the pink; 6, Cottingham. BULLF. (15): 1, Hobden, big bold bird, good head, nice rich col., capital wing bars, A1 cond.; 2, Wilmot, scarcely so bright in col., but still wonderfully good, nice wide cap, good qual.; 3, Nott, quite Bullie shape, good head, well filled in neck, good back and wings, sound rich col., good order; 4, Potter, not quite so rich, good cap and bib, very shapely, good wings, nice qual.; 5, Checksfield; 6, Alderslade and Clark. HEN (7): 1, Francis, shapely, good cap, sound rich col., capital wings; 2, Fisher, bold bird, fine shape, good colour back and front, nice wing bars, beaten cond.; 3, Goodall, we thought the pick of the basket, absolutely faultless in shape, tight as wax, a real gem of a Bullie; 4, Chick, scarcely the depth of winners, good sound col., capital cond.; 5, Carter; 6, Hart. LINNET, H.M. (10): 1, Oldham, grand size and shape, red-hot col., nicely pencilled, grand cond.; 2, Prior, beauty for type and style, well proportioned, beautifully pencilled, scarcely so rich in colour; 3, 5, Francis, 3rd shapely, nice type, but not the quality of 5th, a lovely Linnet, good all round, and in the pink; 4, Ford, bold, good type, nicely proportioned, sound rich col., could do with a little more pencilling, A1 cond.; 6, Hobden. F.M. (6): 1, Osborne, rare size and shape, nicely proportioned, sound rich col., well pencilled, fine cond.; 2, Lloyd-James, bold, good front, nicely mkd., sound col., very fine order; 3, Prior, capital size, nice style, well mkd. throughout, A1 cond.; 4, Carter, somewhat smaller, nice cond.; 5, Corley; 6, Goodall. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, Oldham, grand Twite, real stormer for size and shape, very highly coloured, full of work, high cond.; 2, 5, Francis, lovely Siskin, nice size, very shapely, richly mkd., sound colour, in good order, 5th big Mealy, might have stood in; 3, Miss Wishaw, very fine Twite, nicely proportioned, rich col. and pencilling; 4, 6, Prior, Twite, very nice, best of cond. REDPOLL (7): 1, Miss Bousfield, grand size, nice full front, good bold bib, well pencilled, tight as wax; 2, Lloyd-James, very chubby, nice full head, capital wing bars, well laced and finished; 3, Ford, beauty for richness of col., very shapely, nice pencilling; 4, Pettit, capital shape, well marked, good order; 5, Francis; 6, Parkes. CHAFFINCH (10): 1, 2, Prior, let a real good one, grand size and shape, bold front, good cap, very rich col., in the pink, 2nd another beauty, not much between them, lovely cond.; 3, Francis, big bold bird, well filled in, capital col., hardly so distinct in cap, good wings; 4, Wilmot, nice size and shape, beaten cond.; 5, Francis; 6, Carter. BRAMBLE (11): 1, Miss Wishaw, richly coloured all through, full of polish, beautifully spangled; 2, Hart, big bold bird, scarcely so rich col., but well up in spangling, nice cond.; 3, Pitchford, wonderful size, good col. and markings, not quite the finish of winners; 4, Cottingham, grand bird, some preferred, shapely, bold, well laced and marked throughout, full of polish; 5, Francis; 6, Carter. GREENF. (21): 1, Lloyd, grand shape, beautifully balanced, bold head, well filled in all round, sound col., in the pink; 2, 5, Francis, good one, shapely, good head and front, capital wings, rich col.; 3, Fairhurst, good shape, grand wings, nice tone of col.; 4, Prior, beautifully balanced, nice tone of col., very fine order; 6, Lawrance. YELLOWHAMMER (5): 1, Checksfield, shapely and well filled in, sound rich col., good head markings, A1 cond.; 2, Caunt, little between them, bit bolder, very finely mkd., and spangled, rich col. throughout, fine cond.; 3, Lawrance, big, fine shape, not quite so distinct in markings, but a rattling good one; 4, Potter, smaller, but good, grand col., fine order; 5, Miss Bonefield. A.O.S. (8): 1, Camm, grand Hawfinch, real stormer for size and shape, good bold head and beak, clean cut bib, sound col. throughout; 2, 4, Francis, two good birds, but hardly the high finish of winner, grand shape, 4th hardly so even in col., but a wonderful bib; 3, Gunnel, fine shapely bird, bit paler in col., good bold head, nice wings and A1 cond.; 5, Cottingham; 6, Andrews. HEN (8): 1, Cottingham, a grand Hawfinch, the Horticultural Hall winner, looking fit; 2, Parker, bonny Goldie, nice rich face, grand size and shape, good cond.; 3, Caunt, extra good Siskin, grand size and shape, full of work, tight as wax; 4, Pickford, bold Bunting, grand size and well filled in, nicely mkd., in fine cond.; 5, Checksfield, very good Linnet, sound col. and full of work; 6, Wilde. 'GALE, ETC. (1): Wilde, good Lesser Whitethroat, grand cond. LARK, ETC. (1): Frost, very fine Pipit, beautifully mkd., grand cond. SMALL INSECTIV. (3): 1, Burrows, charming Redstart, glorious col., grandly mkd., and frosted, faultless cond.; 2, 3, Frost, leader very fine Blackstart, grand exhibit, lovely cond., 3rd Golderest, charming bird, full of life, nice fettle. A.O.S.: 1, Smith, very fine Waxwing, exceptional col., grand wing, smooth as a bottle; 2, Miss Bousfield, another very fine bird, wonderful size, grand col. and wings very fine order; 3, Finlay, scarcely the high polish of winner; 4, Andrews. BUDGERIGARS (6): 1, Mrs. Hay, magnificent pair, wonderful length and size, vivid rich colour, excellent marking; 2, 3, 5, Silver, 2nd a lovely pair of Yellows, scarcely pure, but still good and as tight as wax, 3rd good pair of Greens, excellent col. and qual.; 4, Goodall, nice size and length, hardly so rich in col. as winners; 6, Mrs. Huggins. LOVEBIRDS, ETC.: 1, 2, Silver, lovely Blue winged and splendid Madagascar, both in tip-top cond. PARRAKEETS, ETC. (3): 1, 2, Smith, magnificent pair of Yellow-backed Lories, vivid in col., rare order, 2nd fine pair Blue Mountains, grand size and col.; 3, Frost, excellent Senegal, grand size, fine cond. AVADAVATS, ETC. (6): 1, Howe, beautiful pair of St. Helena Waxbills, fine size, and col., beautifully balanced, grand cond.; 2, Buckingham, lovely Gold-breasts, very evenly matched, good col., sound cond.; 3, 4, Silver, Lavend r Finches and Fire Finches, fine examples, in best possible cond.; 5, Miss Bonfield; 6, T. Howe. MANNIKINS, ETC. (12): 1, 2, Howe, Combasson and White-headed Mannikins, leader a beauty, of fine size and col., as tight as wax; 3, Miss Bonsfield, Grey Javas, wonderful size, very shapely, grand in col. and feather; 4, Frost, charming pair of Bib Finches, quaint, in the best of condition; 5, Buckingham; 6, Silver. WEAVERS, ETC. (9): 1, 6, Frost, leader a fine Jackson's Whydah, in grand feather; 2, 5, Howe, lovely Fire Finch, grand col. and cond.; 3, 4, Miss Bousfield, charming pair of Violet-eared Waxbills, good size, rich col., in the best of feather, 4th fine pair of Black-headed Gouldians, grand examples, very rich and as tight as wax. BUNTINGS, ETC. (8): 1, 4, Frost, rare Red-headed Bullfinch, grand bird, in excellent cond.; 2, 3, 6, Silver, Japanese Hawfinch, big bold bird, of grand col., clean cut markings, smooth as a bottle, 3rd Green Cardinal, richly coloured, inclined to be rough; 5, 6, Andrews. TANAGERS, ETC. (4): 1, Frost, charming Blue-winged Siva, in very fine cond.; 2, Miss Bousfield, excellent Festive Tanagers, good size, richly coloured, good in feather; 3, Silver, nice Violet Tanager, good example, nice contrast in colours, rare cond.; 4, Andrews. A.O.S. (3): 1, 2, Silver, gorgeous pair of Purple-headed Starlings, vivid in col. smooth as a bottle, 2nd good Hangnest; 3, Andrew, fine Glossy Starling, excellent cond. MEMBERS' CHAMP. NOR. CK. (3): 1, Fox; 2, Sears; 3 Goodall. HEN (4): 1, Sears; 2, 3, Fox; 4, Clark. NOV. (7): 1, 5, Knight; 2, 4, Cox; 3, Brown; 6, Corley. HEN (6): 1, Brown; 2, Cox; 3, 4, Knight; 5, Maxfield. YORKS. CHAMP. CK. (5): 1, 2, Buckingham; 3, 4, 5, Wright. HEN (1): Buckingham. NOV. (1): Coller. A.O.V. (1): Miss Hewat. HYB. (8): 1, 3, Buckingham; 2, 4, Carter; 5, Goodall; 6, Maxfield. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (8): 1, 4, 6, Carter; 2, Brown; 3, Miss Hewat; 5, Shirley. LINNET (2): 1, Goodall; 2, Coller. SISKIN (4): 1, Goodall; 2, Brown; 3, Wilde; 4, Coller. GREENF., ETC. (3): 1, Buckingham; 2, Brown; 3, Pretty. A.O.S. (1): Finlay. SOFTBILL (5): 1, 3, 4, Goodall; 2, Shirley. FOR. (5): 1, 4, Goodall; 2, 3, Rackley.

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Club Reports.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Jan. 9, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood; Mr. Geo. Barkess (chair) and a fair attendance. Decided that same hold office for 1915 as in 1914. Decided to hold table shows at monthly meetings, the first at next meeting, Feb. 6. Classes: Nor., Yorks. (old birds) and Greenfinch, F.M. Mr. W. Tomlinson, judge. Fee 3d. per cage. Prize money according to entries. Decided to get membership cards for 1915. Trusting members will bring a few birds and try to make it a success.—Jameson and Johnson.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

Owing to the Palace Show having been abandoned it has been decided to hold the annual general meeting at headquarters, Feb. 14, when balance sheet will be presented and officers for 1915 elected. Specials won at the patronage shows will also be presented to winners who are present. I earnestly hope that London members especially will make an extra effort to be present It has been very disheartening to the officials lately to see so few attending the meetings, more especially after the big and enthusiastic meetings we used to have. Don't leave it all to the other fellow, for the other fellow is bound to turn in the end. Will members who desire to send in any alteration to existing rules let me have them as soon as possible, as I want to get the ballot papers printed by Feb. 1?—Geo. Burton, Sec. pro tem.

YORKSHIRE UNION OF C.B.S.

Result of Union competitions for season 1914 and 1915. Gt. Horton O.S. show, Jan. 9, brought to a close the season's competitions, which resulted in the following competitors being successful in the respective competitions. CAGE BIRDS' competitions being of most value, I take this opportunity of giving the number of points gained by eligible competitors, but Mr. Hammond, as see. of the prizes committee, will publish below a complete list of winners. Amateur gold medal winners are: Mr. P. Hirst, J. C. Beaumont, A. Sheard and F. Self, with 124, 92, 89, and 69 points respectively. Novice gold medals, Yorks. section: J. T. Sharpe 172 points, Fisher and Dyson 171, F. Studd 135, J. Harney 89, W. H. Dibb 74, E. Wilman 71; Norwich: J. W. Kaberry 199 points, J. M. Thomas 128. Winners of Mr. W. Cruises' prizes: W. Crowther 67 points, S. Ratcliffe 54, Baker Bros. 53. Ramsden's colour feed prize, champ. section: L. Dykes 199 points; novice: Fisher and Dyson 126. Winners Errington's colour-feed prizes, champ.: T. Bennett 142 points, P. Mason 93; novice: J. W. Kaberry 167 points, F. Studd 131. If any competitor finds the above list of points does not compare correctly with his own will he kindly write me immediately? Will secretaries of Union Societies please bear in mind that Union judges are to be nominated this month, and that new rules, alteration to rules, and all Union officials must be nominated on or before February 1, to be placed on the ballot papers? Societies please note that I am resigning the secretaryship this year, and nominations will be required for that office.—H. Hill, Sec.

RESULTS OF COMPETITION, 1914-15, FOR "CAGE BIRDS" PRIZES.

Yorkshire Union: Champion Section: 1st prize, value £3, L. Dykes, 260 points; 2nd, £2 10s., Ogden Bros., 214; 3rd, £2, H. H. Towers, 203; 4th, £1 10s., C. Morrison, 193; 5th, £1, J. Thomas, 166; 6th, £1, L. C. Casey, 113; 7th, £1, P. Mason, 105; 8th, 10s., Atkinson and Firth, 98; 9th, 10s., Sutcliffe and Son, 88; 10th, 10s., C. E. Hall, 79; 11th, 10s., L. Dyson, 76. Amateur Section: 1st prize, value, £3, P. Hirst, 124 points; 2nd, £2, J. C. Beaumont, 93; 3rd, 31s. 6d., F. Self, 69; 4th, 25s., A. Sheard, 68; 5th, 21s., J. Lunn, 6; 6th, 20s., (not won). Four highest awards of each exhibitor. Qualification, not less than eight shows.

Amateurs only: Yorkshire C.C.: 1st prize, £1, J. A. Whitwham, 23 points; 2nd and 3rd prizes not won. Cinnamon-marked Yorkshire C.C.: 1st prize, J. E. Hudson, 19 points; 2nd and 3rd not won. Green-marked Yorkshire C.C.: 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes not won. Four highest awards of each exhibitor. Qualification, not less than five shows.

Open Norwich P.C.: Champion Section: 1st prize, value £1 5s., W. Crawshaw, 187 points; 2nd, £1, A. Hirst, 104; 3rd, 15s., W. A. Wilson, 7. Amateur section: 1st prize, value £1 5s., Jas. Wilson, 8 points; 2nd and 3rd not won. Four highest awards of each exhibitor. Qualification, not less than 5 shows.

The Yorkshire and Lancashire B.B. and Mule Club have not held any competitions during the last season. Any objection to the foregoing points or awards must reach me not later than February 6, 1915.—Fred Hammond (70, St. Margaret's-rd., Bradford).

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CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Meeting held Jan. 16. Decided to hold our meetings on the second Saturday in each month instead of every fortnight. Also decided to have presentation of members' specials on Feb. 20, when a hearty invitation is given to all fanciers.—W. Helliwell, Sec.

HARTLEPOOLS C.B.S.

Annual meeting Jan. 13. Following officers elected: Mr. Naylor, chair.; Mr. Robinson, treas.; Messrs. Ronald and Wright, auditors; Mr. Pyman, show manager; Mr. Thornton, sec. Decided to hold a pair show Feb. 10, St. George's, at 7; 2 Nor., 2 Yorks., 2 Bord., 1 Mule, 3d. per cage. 1s. limit, entries go to society. Judge, Mr. Woodhead.—J. W. Thornton, Sec.

ALTRINCHAM (Open) C.B.S.

Last year's country ramble of members and their friends of the Manchester and Sale societies being so successful and enjoyable, the Altrincham members hope to arrange for a similar ramble on Saturday, May 15. An invitation will be extended to Manchester and Sale friends, and it is hoped that they will again join them. Details of arrangements will be forwarded later. Next meeting, January 27, Station Cafe. Discussion on open show; very important.—C. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Special meeting, Jan. 13, Porth Hotel, the best meeting since this society was formed. Decided to have a matched pair show March 10, when there will be a silver cup for most points. Mr. A. H. C. Legg was in the chair, and the amount of business gone through was surprising. Now members, let's stick together and see what we can do. I am sure we can keep up with the rest with a bit of pushing, so please attend the next meeting at the Porth Hotel, as it will be our annual meeting, and try and bring a new member or two.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE C.C.

Result of the competitions promoted by the Y.C.C. "Ogden's Trophy," value 10 guineas, 1st and Ramsden's sp., L. Dykes, 139 points; 2, Ogden Bros., 115; 3, J. Thomas, 104; 4, L. C. Casey, 94; runner-up, H. H. Towers, 92. Ramsden cup, value 7 guineas: 1st, L. Dykes, 173; 2, and Ramsden's sp., Ogden Bros., 147; 3, H. H. Towers, 133; 4, L. Dyson, 91; runner-up, C. Morrison, 75. Amateur competition: 1st, J. C. Beaumont, 72 points; 2nd and Ramsden's sp., P. Hurst, 67; 3rd, F. Self, 60; 4th, J. A. Whitwham, 23. Junior novice: 1st, J. T. Sharpe, 74 points; 2nd, F. Studd, 71; 3rd, J. Harney, 70. The above are compiled from the catalogues of the various shows; if any mistakes, please write sec. at once. The winners of 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th bird prizes will appear in next week's CAGE BIRDS.—John Greaves, Sec.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Annual general meeting Jan. 5. A fairly good attendance. Balance-sheet for 1914 was read and accepted. Two new members were elected. Election of officers for 1915:—Patrons, Messrs. Fred Hall, M.P., and A. Lang; pres., J. B. Crowe; vice., W. J. Cranfield, E. S. Lugg, S. Whitlock, J. Robson, J. B. Waterman, A. Cunningham, C. H. Grindell; hon. solicitor, H. R. B. Tweed; hon. treas., D. Reeks.; auditors, F. Cole, W. Hodson; committee, J. Carpenter, G. F. Crawford, J. S. Fairman, W. Gilbert, J. Hazell, W. Hodson, H. Page, A. G. Cant, A. J. Clarke, W. H. Gardner, D. Reeks, H. W. Temsett, J. W. Taylor: hon. sec., David Reeks. Proposed by Mr. J. S. Fairman, seconded by Mr. W. Hodson, a vote of thanks he accorded to Mr. A. G. Cant for the able manner in which he has carried out the duties of hon. sec. during the past year, expressing regret of having to accept his resignation, and congratulations to him on his new appointment in business.—David Reeks, Hon. Sec., 67, Henslowe Road, East Dulwich, S.E.

SACRISTON P.P.R. AND C.B.S.

Meeting, Jan. 9; present (chair), Mr. J. Rogers, Wm. Wright, senr., Wm. Wright junr., Johnson, Kell, J. W. Thurskettle, Jos. Jacobs, J. Nicholson, M. Archer, Wm. Mason, Wm. Tindal, and others. Letter of thanks was forwarded to Mr. Brass for the loan of the wood for members' show. Jan. 2. Messrs. John Pounder, Wm. Charter, Robt. Foster, and James George were elected members. Decided, that the radius for membership be altered from 5 to 7 miles. Secretary will be pleased to receive the names and addresses of fanciers within the radius wishing to join; subs. 2s. 6d. The open show was put back for further consideration. Prize money paid for each class at members' show, Jan. 2, averaged 6s. 9d. per class; 1st 3s. 3d., 2nd 2s. 3d., 3rd 1s. 3d., and the society has a balance at the bank of £6 11s. 6d. towards the next show. Nov. 13. Next meeting will be advertised in the usual way. Mr. R. Wilfred was appointed Assistant Secretary. - Wm. Dodd, Hon. Sec., Mavins Buildings, Finden Hill.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Annual general meeting, Church Institute, Paddington-street, Jan. 11, Mr. W. H. Mugford chair, and 30 members present. Various correspondence was dealt with. Four nominations for membership were received, and two new members elected. Hon. sec. presented the annual balance-sheet duly audited, which was passed as correct. Scrutineers reported result of ballot for officers for 1915 as follows: Trustee, Mr. R. L. Crisp; chair, Mr. W. A. Shepherd; vice, Mr. A. W. Curtis; Council, Messrs. G. E. Weston, H. Hobden, F. J. Martin, W. Mugford, T. L. Sayer, E. C. Offord, W. Prance, W. Sanders, H. W. Dickinson, A. W. Hart, J. Chard, and W. Francis; auditors, Messrs. Prior and Curtis; scrutineers, Messrs. Shepherd and Sanders; hon. sec., Mr. V. Wynn; asst. hon. sec., Mr. F. Thynne. The winners of the judging competition in Crest and Crestbred at last meeting were: 1, Mr. C. Poulton, 35 pts.; 2, E. C. Offord, 33; 3, H. Hobden, 32. Neither hall at headquarters being available for date fixed for pair show, it was left to hon. sec. to make the best arrangements possible. Meeting adjourned till Jan. 25.—F. Thynne, Asst. Hon. Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting, Johnston's Rooms, 6, The Broadway, Jan. 4, twenty-eight members and visitors present. In the unavoidable absence of Mr. W. H. Stoakley, Mr. H. W. Hobden was elected to the chair. Sec. announced that he had received resignations from Mrs. Carson and Mr. W. W. Lachbury. Letter read from Mr. R. A. Newley intimating that he had very little to report of the last meeting of the London Federation. Mr. H. Norman gave a bird washing exhibition, which proved very instructive. Before commencing washing, the lecturer explained no bird should be hand-washed if in a low state. He preferred Sunlight soap for cleansing the feather, and used a soft shaving brush. Taking his first specimen (a Chaffinch) in hand, he showed his audience the different ways of handling the bird. As the washing proceeded, the lecturer explained the different ways of using the brush. To remove the dirt from around the beak, he used a soft tooth brush. A judging competition was next in order, with Mr. Norman as final judge. Eighteen birds were put up, and eighteen members took part in the competition; the points gained were: Mr. F. W. Owen 19, Mr. F. G. Snow 16, Mrs. Hobden and Mr. F. W. Hamilton 14 each, Mr. F. Thynne and Mr. E. Randall 13 each, Mrs. Griffiths 12, Mrs. S. Farley and Mr. L. G. Owen 8 each, Mrs. M. M. Owen and Mrs. Thynne 6 each, Mr. G. H. Stevens and Mr. G. Birch 4 each. Special prizes for annual show at Queen's Hall, Jan. 19, were allotted. Forty-three specials were placed to the satisfaction of the members, and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. H. Norman for his interesting and instructive washing exhibition, and for acting as final judge.—G. Griffiths.

DARVEL C.B.S.

General meeting, Town Hall, Jan. 12, also table show of Canaries; judge, Mr. G. Alston. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Anderson; 4, Hopkins. HEN: 1, 2, Anderson; 3, Morton; 4, Hopkins. BORD. BUFF: 1, 2, Allan; 3, Fairful; 4, Beaton. YELL.: 1, 2, Allan; 3, 4, Beaton. Sec. read financial report of year 1914, which showed a balance on the right side, though slightly less than last year. All office-bearers were re-elected. Next general meeting and table show of British birds, Feb. 9.—J. Fairful, Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting, Jan. 13, which was full of changes. Bro. Hudson, late sec., takes position of pres., Bro. Shackley vice-pres. D. McFarlane, late pres., takes position of sec. Bro. W. Willison treas. Bros. Wagstaff and Large, auditors. Nest feather show, fixed for July 10, table show January 27, also judging competition. Mr. A. Hudson appointed judge for table show. New members made and a very interesting meeting came to a close. Please note.—All communications to D. McFarlane, Sec., 26, Lord Roberts Street, Vickerstown, Barrow-in-Furness.

WINDHILL C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 16, Blue Bell Hotel, with a good attendance. Balance sheets for open and members' shows were read and passed, also yearly balance. Election of officers for 1915: Vice-President, G. Hardy, A. Brown, A. Parker, H. H. Towers, Dr. Jenkins. Committee: W. B. Atkinson (chair), M. Broadley, and R. Garnett (vice), E. Halliday, J. Halliday, P. Mason, E. B. Denton, J. Harney, R. Sutcliffe, H. Soloman, G. H. Walton, E. Shepherd, S. Hopwood, W. Booth. Sec. and Treas., J. A. Taylor. Assist. Sec., J. W. Ellis. Auditors, R. Garnett and J. Harney. Union delegates, M. Broadley, W. B. Atkinson, R. Garnett. Our annual tea and concert is on Feb. 13, at 5 p.m. Tickets 1/6 each from the secs. All who intend to come must let me know by Feb. 10 at the latest.—J. A. Taylor..

HALIFAX O.S.

Smoker, Jan. 16, headquarters, the Plummet Line Hotel, Mr. S. Haigh presiding before a good attendance. The following artistes contributed to the evening's enjoyment: Mr. Dale, comedian; Mr. Verity, bass; Mr. Wilkinson, solos on the concertina; Mr. Bancroft, recitals; and Mr. Brooks, conjuror; Mr. Charles Dennis was the accompanist. Mr. Dale was well received in his songs "I followed her here," "Ginjow," and "Songs in Opera in Ragtime," which drew forth several encores. Mr. Wilkinson contributed on the concertina "Caliph of Bagdad," "Brothers in Arms," and "Church Bells and Organ," and was recalled. Mr. Verity gave "Up from Somerset" and the "Veteran Song," and was well received; also Mr. Bancroft in his recitals, especially "The Message," which caused much amusement. Mr. Brooks showed cleverness in his manipulation of a pack of cards. Prizes won at members' shows were distributed, after which a vote of thanks was recorded to the artistes who contributed to the evening's enjoyment.—J. Burdekin, assist. sec.

CHESTER-LE-STREET, BIRTLEY AND PELTON FELL (Amalg.).

The Amalgamation shows have come to a close, and I think these three districts can have a good show of their own. Chester-le-Street is a suitable place. Birtley had one of the best open shows around the district, and paid members full prizes. Pelton Fell, too, is one of the first members' shows in the district. I hope members of the Amalgamation will stick together, for they are all true fanciers. Mr. W. Davison gave a gold medal for most points in six table shows; Mr. James Stanger won it. Mr. J. Redpath running him a good race. The members promised a medal, value 15s., for most points in six table shows for British birds. There were 5 shows and a misunderstanding, and as they could not agree, it was moved the money go into the society. There had been a good race for this medal between Mr. W. Davison and Mr. Wilford. We had a ring prize; each member paid 2d. for his rings, and a penny went for the prizes. There was £1 5s. in prize money, 10s. for first, 7s. 6d. 2nd, 5s. 3rd, 2s. 6d. 4th, and 5th a picture. These prizes were given for three nominated birds at the three shows. Mr. R. S. Bewick and Mr. Ward ran a dead heat with 46 points each Mr. Robinson 44, Mr. J. Stanger 43, Mr. I. Redpath 39. I think we have three hard-working secretaries, Mr. Lindsay, of Birtley, Mr. Ward, Chester-le-Street, and Mr. J. Robinson, Pelton Fell, and a few true fanciers to help them on. All the shows paid 5s. a class, 6d. a cage, and 7s. 6d. for membership. The three shows did well, so if they can pay this they should do well at 5s. a member, and I think then we would get more members to join in the district. We were talking about having a supper to finish the season, and I hope all fanciers will give their names to any of the secretaries.—J. Stanger.

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NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C

Meeting Jan. 6, Pillars cafe, Mr. W. P. Smith chair. Decided to hold pair show at next meeting, three classes each section. Mr. Smith presented a coffee pot and a hot-water jug for most points and second most points at table show, three highest birds to count, points to count according to number of birds in class. Mr. W. Espie gave a silver medal for novice competition on similar lines. Questions were then asked and answered to the satisfaction of every one present.—M. C. Potts.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting Jan. 14; owing to unavoidable circumstances we were without either president or vice-president, so Mr. W. Richinson was elected to the chair. All rules on the club card were retained with the exception that the society's grant to the shows be made "per entry" instead of "per class" heretofore. The discussion of cup rules was left over until February meeting when I trust members will endeavour to get there a little earlier, as this 9.30 closing makes business very short otherwise.—E. Johnson, sec.

PERTH CITY AND COUNTY O.A.

Monthly meeting, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard St., Mr. A. G. Forrest, president, in the chair. Sec. announced that Mr. J. R. Fullarton, treas., had been called back to his regiment again, and Mr. D. Carstairs was appointed treas. Classes for pairs show: Crests, Nor., Bord., Scotch, Yorks., Mule or Hyb. pair. Brit. bird single. New members enrolled: Messrs. W. Gunning, D. McLaren, A. Stratton. Mr. Blyth moved that our fees be reduced to 2s. 6d. instead of 4s. 3d., to try and get more members, and it was unanimously agreed to make the alteration. Messrs. Blyth, Bruce, Gunning and the secretary were appointed to visit fanciers and try to get them to become members. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.—J. L. Smith, sec.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Annual meeting, Oldham Hall, Jan. 14. Balance-sheet passed. The following officers were elected:—Pres., Mr. W. R. Knowles; vice, Mr. F. Handley, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe Mr. J. Gore, Mr. C. Robinson, Mr. W. Jones, Mr. A. Corbett, Mr. T. Rowlands, Mr. J. Walker, Mr. J. Lloyd, Mr. Hartley, and Mrs. Hartley; chair, Mr. J. Abbott; vice, Mr. E. Bunner; committee, Messrs. T. Evans, F. Wilson, J. Walker, J. G. Rodgers, F. Rothwell, E. Ewan, A. Heyes, and E. Douglas; treasurer, Mr. Hunt; sec., Mr. T. R. Jones, 25, Emerald Street, Liverpool, S.; assist. sec., Mr. J. Handley; auditors, Messrs. J. W. Metcalfe and F. Handley. The officers and members were grieved to learn of the death of our member Mr. J. McMahon, and a vote of condolence was passed. Four new members were nominated. Members please note secretary's address.—Thos. R. Jones, Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 11. First annual report and balance sheet, showing a very satisfactory state of affairs, was passed with many congratulations to Mr. W. L. Page, the hon. sec. During the past year three members' shows have been held, also an outing, all very successful, and the balance-sheet shows a sum of over £7 in hand, in addition to which five challenge cups have been purchased. A small honorarium was unanimously voted to Mr. Page, and a vote of thanks to the assist. sec., Mr. W. T. White, for their combined work in so sucessfully launching the society. The voting papers were scrutinized by the auditors, and as a result Mr. W. L. Page retains his position as hon. sec. Mr. W. G. Fellows being elected chairman, and Mr. Hayter vice. Mr. A. G. Washer again holds the treasury, whilst the auditors were re-elected. An attractive programme for 1915 (including two table shows, open show, outing and lectures), drawn up by the hon. sec., was discussed and approved. The meeting night was altered to the first Wednesday in each month at 7.30 p.m. Members are reminded that subs. are now due.—G. J. Slade, Assist. Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting headquarters, Crown Hotel, Station St.; chair, Mr. Broadhurst. The following were elected officers for 1915: Chair, Mr. A. Broadhurst; vice., Mr. J. H. de Maillet; vice-president (in addition to those serving 1914) Messrs. F. Dipple and H. G. Hill; committee, Messrs. Southron, Austin, Burke, Childs, Denny, Fessy, Raby; treasurers, Messrs. Allen and Collier; auditors, Messrs. Clay and Cowley; sec., J. H. Jones; assist.-sec., A. C. Shirley. One of our rules was altered, a champion exhibitor in British wishing to take up Canaries is eligible to show in novice Canary classes, providing he has not won one first in champion or three firsts in open novice classes in Canaries. Decided to hold members' show Feb. 6, birds to be staged by 2; judge, Mr. J. H. Roe: Nor. champ. four classes, nov. 4; Yorks. champ. 4, nov. 4; Crest 1, C.B. Cinn. 1, A.O.V. 1, Mule or Hyb. 1, Goldf. or Bullf. Siskin, Linnet, Redpoll or Twite, A.O. Hardbill, Softbill. The following were elected as members: Messrs. Ankers, Austin, Hinton, C. Clarke and W. Clarke; also nominated Messrs. Price, Merryman, Allen, Lewis and Hernshaw; these new members will be eligible to show at above show. Will members try their best to make it a success? We want more members, the society is going strong, but there is plenty of room for members in all sections, particularly in Crests, Rollers, Borders, British, Cinnamon and Foreign classes. Send your names along (Sub. 4s. per annum) to A. C. Shirley, 155, Hobmoor Road, Small Heath, Birmingham.

GLASGOW (West of Scotland) O.S.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 16, Nelson Temp. Hotel, Mr. Wm. Wood chair. Financial statement was submitted, and was considered satisfactory. Election of office-bearers for ensuing year: Hon. pres., Hon. C. Scott Dickson, ex-provost, H. Pason; pres., Mr. W. Wood; vice-pres., Wm. Gunion and Mr. Jas. Nimmo; sec. and treas., W. Hutchison; committee, Messrs. Black, Barron, Heggie, Pierce, Graham, Begg, Rankine, Smart, Tulton, Martin, Laurie; auditors, Messrs. Heggie and Barron. With slight alteration, rules were adopted en bloc. Arrangements were made for pair show Feb. 6, in Nelson's Hall, at 5; classification: Crests 1, Plainheads 3, Bord. 3, Yorks. 2, Muling Pairs 1, Hyb. Pairs 1; judges, Messrs. R. Jeffrey (Glasgow) and H. P. Hutchison (Barrhead). Vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting.—Wm. Hutchison, Sec.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Annual General Meeting, Jan. 4, Spencer Hall, balance-sheet adopted as read, showing an income of £51 1s. 5d., and expenditure of £51 17s. 11d., a deficit of 16s. 6d. on the year's work, with assets amounting to £10, which, considering all things, gives great credit to all those who have worked untiringly for the welfare of the society during the year. Mr. Gardner thanked the retiring officers for their services. Mr. R. T. Dann also moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Gardner for his valuable services as chairman. There was a good muster of members present, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Pres., Geo. Touche, Esq., M.P.; vice-pres., Messrs. C. W. Law and E. R. P. Moon; chair, Mr. G. Gardner; vice-chair., Mr. R. T. Dann; hon. treas., Mr. F. Sparks; hon. assistant sec., Mr. G. Street; committee, Messrs. J. P. Ayres, E. T. Bush, J. Carrington, P. Johnston, W. Knight, A. Knight, E. Mound, W. Shakespeare, W. Large, W. Withers, W. H. Wills, and W. Shorter; auditors, Mr. J. M. Kent and W. Shearer; hon. sec., Mr. J. Hyde, 1, Raydon-st., South Highgate, N., to whom all enquiries concerning the society should be made.

Special committee, Jan. 13, Spencer Hall. Show dates for the year were fixed. Young bird show, July 10, Mr. F. Easterling. Annual show, Nov. 19 and 20, Mr. G. Gardner. Pair show, 1916, Jan. 22, Mr. J. Robson. Societies please note so as to avoid as much as possible clashing of shows.—J. Hyde, Hon. Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, Jan. 16. 1, Morley; 2, Wainwright; 3, Nelson. Jan. 17. 1, 3, Caddy; 2, Morley.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Weekly Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Jan. 16. 34 entered for three minutes' time singing. 1, Jones; 2, Beard; 3, Pugh. Open sing, Jan. 17. 27 entered. 1, Williams; 2, 3, shared, Jones and Beard.—S. Pugh, Sec.

WIGAN.

There will be a time singing contest held at Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, Sat., Jan. 23, when the proprietor will give 10s. to be sung for; entrance 1s. each bird. First birds staged at 2 p.m. prompt. —A. Leyland, sec. (Advt.)

LEIGH.

Globe Inn L.C. Open contest, Jan. 16; 45 entered for time and quality, and some very good singing was heard before a large crowd. Winners for time: 1, Donnelly, 175; 2, E. Jones, 141; 3, Fairhurst, 119; 4, Statham, 102. Four minutes singing. Quality: 1, Cowburn; 2, Foulkes; 3, J. W. Jones; 4, Knowles. Timers, E. Hickman and Ashcroft; minute man, J. Whittle; tappers, H. Moss and Halliwell. Judges, Gibbons, W. Barnes; referee, J. W. Jones. Hoping Linnet fanciers won't forget the open contest for time at the Wigan New Club, Jan. 23.—Robert Disley, Sec.

[Please see notice above as to forthcoming contests.—Editor.]

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Jan. 9, headquarters, Commercial Hotel, 24 birds entered: 1, Cooper; 2, Collinson; 3, Plows; timekeepers, O. Potter and A. Bath; tappers, J. Cooper and W. Perkin. Our secretary, A. Tomlin, has joined His Majesty's Forces. This makes three now who have enlisted: A. Bath, J. Liversidge and A. Tomlin. Bath is an ambulance man, and is stationed at Beckett's Hospital, Leeds. J. Liversidge is in the Miner's Battalion, and has been promoted to acting Quarter-Master Sergeant, and we look forward for A. Tomlin to soon be promoted. I have been elected sec., a duty I have performed before, but I would rather Tomlin had stopped, though the country needs young men at present. We trust he and our other two members who have answered the country's call will have a safe return to our village when the war is over.—R. Plows, sec.

LEEDS.

Quality singing for Linnets, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, Jan. 16. We had friends from outside districts to hear some of the finest singing possible. 1, Binns; 2, King; 3, Laycock. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and C.C. quality Linnet singing match, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, 17 entries, most of them singing nicely for the time of the year: 1, 3, J. Bamfield; 2, Jim Chippindale; judges, E. Madden and A. Lorriman.—Fred Turner, sec.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Jan. 16, 14 sang: 1, Ward; 2, S. Johnson; 3, T. Johnson; judges, Crane and Naylor. Jan. 17, 24 sang for four prizes: 1, Ward; 2, Richardson; 3, Chippendale; 4, Rosendale; judges, Lacy, Naylor, Hardcastle. Also a grand Roller contest, Jan. 17, 14 birds sang: 1, Hardcastle; 2, Condliffe; 3, Shared by Condliffe and J. Chadwick; judges, Lacy, Sissons, Naylor.—Walter Naylor, hon. sec.

In the Courts.

Bird Catcher Fined at Wakefield.

At the Wakefield City Court, Jan. 6, Christopher Hatton, a bird-catcher, of Brighton, was fined £1 and £2 10s. costs, or one month's imprisonment, for causing to be conveyed eighty-three live birds in such a manner as to cause them unnecessary suffering. The birds were despatched from Brighton on Dec. 17, and should have been delivered to the consignee, Edward Elliott, Kirkgate, Wakefield, early on the morning of the 18th. Instead of that they were tendered to him at 5.15 on that day, and he refused to accept delivery. The local inspector to the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals took the matter up, and on the boxes being opened thirty of the birds, mostly Linnets, were found to be dead, and most of the others in a dying condition. There was neither food nor water in the boxes, and in the case of one box it was found that there were only four square inches of floor space to each bird.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

TWO HENS (G. W.).—(1) You should have examined the swelling carefully and described it as closely as you could, otherwise it is impossible to say what it may be when one has not seen it. Does the swelling come and go at intervals, or is it constant? If the former, it may be nothing more than over-eating, and in the latter event it may either be some obstruction in the crop, or an accumulation of fat. Add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence to the water every second day for a week. Feed on plain canary seed supplemented with a liberal supply of watercress, and if there is not a good improvement in a fortnight, write again, and give particulars mentioned above. (2) Treat this hen the same as advised to "A. S. R." in this issue or a fortnight.

MATE FOR CREST-BRED (G.W.).—A clear buff crested hen, or a clear body buff with a grey or dark crest would be the most suitable mate for your Crestbred cock. Choose a bird with plenty of size and feather, and densely feathered crest, with broad leafy feather, a small neat centre, and a good wide entrance at base of beak.

PANTING ROLLER (A. S. R.).—The bird is a victim of the adverse weather conditions of late. Keep it on the warm side until quite well, but be careful to see that the place is fairly equable, and that the bird is not exposed to cold draughts, or the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. Give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana and half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape. In the water add for one day ten drops of syrup of buckthorn, and afterwards give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight.

VARIED (R. Foxe).—(1) There is no objection whatever to the use of pine sawdust, coarse cut for preference, as it does not blow about so easily in the cages, at this season, and supplying grit in a separate vessel. It is to be preferred to sand for stock and flight cages, as it keeps them cleaner and more hygienic. There is no risk of the birds eating it. Their picking among it when fresh is put in is merely a habit, as they would do the same whatever was put in. (2) Not injurious, because they will not really eat it. (3) As a rule it is best to give each kind of seed in a separate vessel, especially in large cages, to prevent the waste that is caused by some birds picking out that which they like best and scattering the rest on the floor. Where it is not convenient to employ so many separate vessels it is quite allowable to give as staple a mixture of canary and summer rape—3 to 1. (4) Tit-bits are not absolutely essential, but when given should be given separate from the staple—in the egg-drawer, for instance. To use the seeds you have, mix together two parts each hemp and inga, one part each of teazle and millet, and a half a part each of maw and gold of pleasure. Give a teaspoonful per bird of this mixture twice a week. (5) One part rape to three parts canary is a good proportion, but there is no harm in increasing the proportion of canary if you wish. Thanks for your remarks anent this column, which we appreciate.

YORKSHIRE HEN (WN., WB.).—Your feeding is not very good. Give a staple diet of plain canary only, and in addition give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape every second day. On the intervening days give first a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, hemp and teazle, but see that the hemp is quite good and sound in the kernel. Give a spray of watercress three or four times a week. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence every second day for a week, and after this give instead a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, ditto of sulphate of iron half as big, and add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid. Give this in the water every second day for a fortnight.

ROLLER COCK ILL (D. W.).—First of all see that the bird does not hang in the way of a cold direct draught, nor where it is exposed to the fumes of burning lights in the evenings, or a serious drop in temperature at night. Then treat the same as advised to "WN., W.B." in this issue, except that you give a small teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and four of sherry mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed instead of the bread and milk advised in that reply. If the bird is not well in two two or three weeks, write again, and repeat particulars, when I will advise you further.

YORKS. AND ROLLER (Glasgow).—(1) You ought to have said what the treatment last season consisted of. That it is not so successful this season is probably due to the fact that the bird is a year older, and probably not able to respond so quickly to any treatment. See that all exciting causes are removed as far as possible, and give in addition to the staple seed diet half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana or watercress. In the water add six drops of glycerine, ten of lemon juice, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence every second day for a fortnight. (2) Keep this bird fairly warm, but avoid draughts or severe fluctuations of temperature. Add to the drinking water four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week, and after this give 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day for a fortnight. (3) The Roller cock is evidently not in a fit condition to breed, and unless he should get quite active and robust and in vigorous song I would not advise you to try him again in the breeding cage.

CROUCHES ON PERCH (H.F.H.).—In addition to the staple diet of plain canary seed give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of summer rape, which you may scald twice a week for a change, and also a spray of watercress. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed, and a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Offer the bath three times a week in mild weather. In the water add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn, for three days, and afterwards 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day for a fortnight.

TIME FOR MATING (Novice).—Yes, it is much too early to think of mating the birds for breeding yet awhile. The last week in March, if the weather is quite favourable, otherwise the first week in April, is the proper time for mating, and the best time.

WANTS TO NEST (A. B.).—(1) You did quite wrong to give the hen nesting material to play with when you saw her wanting to nest. You should move her from the other hens into a fair sized cage, add a pinch of Epsom salts to her drinking water for two or three days, and keep her on a diet of plain canary seed and a little green food for a time. (2) There is no reason why a Linnet caught last autumn should not breed successfully if mated with a hen Canary about middle of April or May.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

CANARY HYBRIDS (J. McCourt).—You need not keep your birds together entirely all the winter. If you let the Goldie in with the hen occasionally so that they are not afraid of each other, it will be quite sufficient, and then about the end of March they could be put together finally in the breeding cage. The difficulty of keeping them together during the winter is that the Goldie requires rather different food to the Canary. Treat him on the following lines: Make a mixture of 4 parts teazle, 3 parts canary, 2 parts hemp, and 1 part each of linseed and sunflower, and ½-part rape. Let him have this constantly before him, and procure a packet of good wild seed mixture, and give him a spoonful of it three times a week. Give a piece of sweet apple for him to peck at during the winter, but when there is no frost a dandelion leaf or small spray of chickweed or groundsel should be offered. Feed the Canary on canary seed as a staple food with a pinch of rape seed daily, and once a week a spoonful of mixed seed. Give this twice a week during February and March. Our book on Canary Breeding for Beginners would be useful to you.

BIRDS DYING (Waterloo).—I am sorry to hear of your loss, and it is a rather difficult matter to say of what ailment they died; further, you do not tell me what species you have lost, only the birds you keep. Now, I note you give me the details of the seed mixture you use, and upon which you feed all your birds. In this matter I think you are wrong, because no seed mixture is quite suitable to all varieties. One will stand stronger food than another, and what will keep a Linnet alive will starve a Goldfinch. I would advise you to treat every species separately, and if you are not quite sure of their treatment, procure the Hardbill part of The British Bird Manual from this office, or our Nutshell booklets dealing with each species. If there is no disease among your birds you should be able to keep them if treated as advised in the above books. Freshly-caught birds do sometimes succumb, even if well looked after, and in many cases it is due to over-kindness; an aperient occasionally would have saved them.

BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (Esperance).—(1) A single Bullfinch is generally a bit restless during the spring and summer months, and I think you would find a pair (cock and hen) answer your purpose better. (2) The Crystal Palace aviary was originally designed as an ornament to a living room, and in it one can keep several species of birds, preferably all cocks. Finches, Canaries, and a few Foreign birds do admirably, and one gets a good deal of song and amusement from them if they are not overcrowded.

SEXING MULES (New Start).—The cock Mule is always brighter in colour than the hen, but this is only comparative, and would hold good where you could compare birds from the same nest. A hen bred from a highly-coloured Canary might show quite as much colour as a cock bird bred from dull-coloured parents. If you possess the birds you should cage them off separately, and wait for their song. As a rule, Mules are excellent songsters, and therefore you would not have long to wait. If you are asking because you wish to purchase, and have had no experience, my advice is, hear him sing before parting. Should you be obliged to buy without this sign, pick the largest and best-coloured; this holds good with both Goldfinch and Linnet Mules.

SEXING SONG THRUSHES (Song Thrush).—The Song Thrush is as near as possible 8½ inches, and the Missel Thrush 11 inches. It is always a difficult matter to sex the Song Thrush correctly, because there is very little difference between them. In most species the cock and hen differ considerably, but this is not the case with the Thrush, and, contrary to the usual difference in bird life, the hen Thrush is a handsomer bird than her partner, and is usually selected for exhibition purposes. If you get two together you will find the cock is a trifle darker on the back, he is a little better colour, and the underpart whiter. These differences are so slight that I think you would do better to cage off your birds separately, feed them well, and doubtless the male birds will soon break into song.

FEEDING A LINNET (Robt. Wensley).—I think you would do well to add ¼-lb. of each of canary and the same of teazle to your seed mixture, otherwise I cannot find fault with your feeding. Freshly-caught birds should be given an aperient occasionally, and I suspect you have omitted to give this, and have lost some in consequence. As much salts as will cover a sixpence dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of water given early in the morning and removed at night, is the proper dose.

LINNETS IN A KITCHEN (Cannabina).—The winter has been so mild that birds could be hung outdoors for an hour or so on several days, but it would not be safe to take them straight from a heated room and put them into the open air for any length of time, but birds that are kept in a cold room would not come to any harm providing they were not hung in a draught. The month of April is a good time to turn birds into an outside aviary; as a rule the weather is fairly mild then. I think you would get much more song out of your birds if you kept them in separate cages; when several are together in a big cage, it is not always a decided success as far as song is concerned. (2) Respecting seeds, if your birds refuse to eat any particular kind, you had better leave it out of the mixture, the one you mention is not absolutely necessary to them. If you use the so-called cole seed in place of summer rape you should use less of it, as it is much stronger and more pungent to the taste. Soaking improves it immensely.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BENGALESE AND ZEBRA FINCHES (Bedford).—Both these species breed on and off all the year round in captivity, though the former are not as a rule good sitters, and not many young per season are reared; the latter usually do well once they make a start, which should be in the early spring (this applies equally to both species), but do not be disappointed if the start should be delayed, as the season is not over for the charming Zebra Finch till real winter weather sets in. If they have had neither nest nor material up to the present, do not supply these till mid-March. No name and address (see rules), you are not entitled to a reply.

GOLDEN-CROWNED CONURE (E. M. K.).—I am afraid the Conures as a whole are given to the objectionable habit of screeching their dissatisfaction at being left, or at not getting the full gratification of their tastes or desires. I have noticed this trait equally, whether the bird be in cage or aviary. Some also of the genus *Brotogerys* have the same trait, though in a less pronounced form. I said on one occasion of them that they shriek out their pleasure, their petulance, their hatred, their wants, and then their satisfaction at having them granted. But you have one remedy, thanks to the individuality of your bird, that is, retain it on your shoulder except when it needs to eat and sleep; which is one way of stating that I know of no remedy for the annoyance you complain of, which spoils an otherwise interesting pet. I fear procuring him a mate, or getting a companion of another species (Conures are by no means an amiable group) would only double the noise. It is possible that time may soften, if not wholly eradicate, the annoyance, but what is natural and really part of its being can never be entirely eliminated, though the effect of surroundings may modify it.

BUDGERIGARS, ETC. (G. B.).—(1 and 2) Between April and October, inclusive, though they breed on and off all the year round in most aviaries, but if your quarters are such as enable you to catch them easily, then, at the end of October, separate the sexes. Also at same time remove and clean husks and leave them in the open, but protected from wet, for the bulk of the winter. Put the birds together again the last week in March. (3) April to October. They will use either a small square box, husk or rush nest as a receptacle. Hay, grass and a little moss will suffice for nest-material. (4) If you can get them so, let your stock consist equally of imported and aviary-bred birds, but if you can't get good imported ones, then buy each pair from a separate source, and accept only large, well-feathered birds, with plumage lying nice and tight to body. (5) Lovebirds and Parrakeets require plenty of room, and to put many into a small space usually spells disaster. Here are a few Lovebirds: Red-headed (60s.), Black-checked (40s. to 50s.), Peach-faced (£5 to £6), Madagascar (5s. to 6s.), Blue-winged (10s. to 20s.). Small Parrakeets: Tui, Tovi, Orange-flanked, All-Green, Canary-winged, are all pleasing, their value varying from 20s. to 60s.; the prices quoted are all per pair. I cannot name special birds for your aviary without details, neither can I refer you to any list. You must write to those advertising in our pages and make your own selection; again, you cannot go into a shop and find all the above species in stock; supplies are irregular, especially so in these times.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. Wolf.—You have a clear case for the return of your money. Threaten a County Court action, and carry out your threat promptly if not forthcoming. Why did you not deposit your money with us? Look at the trouble you would have been saved thereby. Shall be most pleased to receive contribution you mention.

A Lover of the Greenfinch.—Surely you must know that your letter is grossly libellous, and thus quite unpublishable?

Bird Lover.—Note the correspondence columns of this issue.

Enquirer.—The publication of enquiries such as yours seems only to lead to ill-feeling, and we think you had better ask one of the officials of the Society for the information.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Station Cafe, 8. Discussion on open show and arrangement of syllabus; very important.—C. Bailey.

Beamish C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Bird Inn, High Hold, 5. Payment of prize money, etc.—J. H. Elliot.

Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7.30. Result of points competition, rose bowl, etc.—R. Elliott.

Bradford National Show.—Jan. 27, Market Tavern, 8. Balance-sheet; arrangements for next show.—S. Midgley.

Chester C.B.S.—Jan. 26, Boot Inn, Eastgate Row, 8.30. General meeting, balance-sheet, and appointment of officers for 1915.—L. Cavanagh.

Birmingham South O.S.—Jan. 27, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.30. Special meeting re members' show and other important matters.—J. Sheppard.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Jan. 25, Church Institute, Paddington Street, W., 8.15. Adjourned annual general meeting.—V. Wynn.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Waverley Rooms, 6.30. Fife League show, and other important business.—A. Robertson.

Craghead C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Black House, 7. Final arranging of show and other important business. Subs. due.—A. Dawson

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Alexandra Hotel (private entrance), 8. Extra meeting night to finish general business. Notice Rule 16 on card.—W. O. Fryett.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Jan. 24, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 10.30. Ordinary business; new members invited.—G. S. Lynn.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Black Swan, 7.30. Correspondence; new members.—A. Walton.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Jan. 25, headquarters, 8. Election of officers for season, and other general bus.—J. Alderslade.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Colliery Hotel, 6.15. Balance-sheet and election of officers. New members cordially invited.—G. Vipond.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—Jan. 26, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8.—A. Roberts.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Jan. 26, Nightingale Hotel, High Rd., Wood Green, 8. Pair show. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner.—P. Brooks.

Highgate and Hampstead C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill, N. Pair show; judge, Mr. G. E. Weston. Admission 3d.—J. Hyde.

Laisterdyke, Bowling and Tong Combination.—Jan. 25, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 8. General meeting for election of officers, amendment of rules, classification of shows and dates, also judges.—J. E. Hudson.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. To receive tickets and subs. money from members due from our last show.—D. John.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Sawley Road C. Schools, 6. Judging at 6.30. Pair show. Specials for each section. Record entry hoped for. Judge, Mr. Gutteridge.—G. Baines.

Morley C.B.S.—Jan. 26, Shoulder of Mutton Inn, Bruntcliff, 7.30. General meeting; election of officers and new members. Fanciers and friends welcome.—Wm. Bywater.

National British Bird and M.C.—Jan. 28, Feathers Hotel, Gt., Chapel Street, Westminster, 8. General business.—J. P. Carr.

Newcastle-on-Tyne East End C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Hall's Cafe, Heaton Assembly Rooms, Heaton Road, 7.30. Annual meeting; balance-sheet, election of officers.—J. W. Coutts.

Northern British Mule and F.B.C.—Jan. 30, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, 8. Table show. Linnet, Greenf., A.O.V. (all H.M.), Mule, For.—W. Curry.

Openshaw Gorton C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Clubroom, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Matter of trophies.—A. W. Newton.

Poplar C.B.S.—Jan. 28, All Hallows Schoolroom, East India Dock Road, Poplar, 8. Pair and Finch show; no charge. Friends and fanciers given a hearty welcome.—F. H. Marhoff.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C. and C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Porth Hotel, 7. Show business and other matters left over from last meeting.—J. S. Jones.

Pudsey, Stanningley C.B.S.—Feb. 1, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 8. Arranging for presentation of prizes.—R. Kell.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Pie supper and social evening Jan. 30. Supper on table at 6; 1s. per head. Friends and fanciers cordially invited.—W. Jagger.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Jan. 26, Granby Hotel, 8. Business important.—W. Jagger.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—Jan. 27, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Election of office-bearers, etc.—R. Heggie.

Richmond (Surrey) C.B.S.—Jan. 25, St. John's Hall, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. Harris. Report of show; general business. A hearty invitation to visitors.—G. Birch.

Rochdale C.B.S.—Jan. 22, Rochdale C.C., Clarke's Place, Bailee Street, 8. Staging birds for Saturday show. Please bring birds early; judge, Mr. C. A. House, Bradford.—Wm. Adams.

St. Quintin Park F. and F.S.—Jan. 28, headquarters, 8. Programme for 1915.—A. J. Foy

Scotland Gate C.B.S.—Jan. 23, Social Club, Choppington, 6.30. New members enrolled, and officials for the coming season.—T. Rigg.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Jan. 28, Wharf Hotel, 8.—G. Mitchell.

Stratford and E. London F.S.—Jan. 27, "Eagle," Chobham Road, 8. Secretary's report on annual show; presentation of cups and specials.—A. Wasey.

Warrington C.B.S.—Jan. 28, Blue Bell Sale Room, 8. Election of officers, and other matters.—G. M. Nelson.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Jan. 26, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Vote officers; balance-sheet.—W. G. Andrews.

Yorkshire C.C. of Scotland.—Jan. 26, Nelson's Temperance Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting. Election of office-bearers. Subs. for 1914 are overdue.—W. Priest.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter post: it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

Alberta.—Death occurred from acute inflammation of the bowels, brought about by the ingestion of an irritant poison.

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CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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HYBRID, interesting cross, Goldfinch-Twite, suitable for making up team, 2nd Dublin; what offer: D. E. Alexander, Bangor, Down. (10)

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LARGE Lancashire-Norwich cross clear buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1977)

ONE Linnet Mule, in full song, and one Goldfinch Mule, in song, the pair 15/-; or exchange for cock Roller: E. Moore, 7, Townfield-st., Chelmsford. (11)

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SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

SIX cock Linnet Mules 3s. each; eight Border cock Canaries, 3/6 each, two 6/-; hens 2/-; cock Linnet, hen Canary, matched pair, 3/6: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (23)

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FOREIGN BIRDS.

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WANTED, Parrot, send lowest price and particulars: W. L., 82, Nichols-sq., Hackney-rd., London, N.E.

FOR sale African Grey Parrot and cage, four-years-old, talker, £5; approval: Crook, 20, Selborne-st., Witton, Blackburn. (15)

FOR sale two pairs beautiful Green Budgerigars, outdoor aviary bred 9/6 per pair: Miss M. Nuille, Christchurch, Cambs. (17)

PAIR Whydahs and Orange-cheek, healthy, giving up, lot 9/-; bargain: Coop, 119, Manchester-rd., Westhoughton, Bolton. (16)

HEALTHY adult Budgerigars, outdoors, 4/6 pair, 2 pairs 8/-; hen Cockatiel, 5/-: Halls, Claremont, Carnard, Sudbury, Suffolk. (8)

JAMES COWIE, Knock, Belfast, breeder of champion African Owls, offer for sale over 100 winners and stock birds, all colours. (10)

BUDGERIGARS, Green, outdoor aviary bred; adult breeding pairs, 5/-: Tom Overton, New Brighton, Cottingley, Bingley, Yorkshire. (1914)

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FINGER-TAME chattering Blue Front Amazons, 35/- each; pet Pigmy Marmozet, 25/-; Golden Marmozet, £6: Cross, Liverpool.

BUDGERIGARS, grand plumage, ready to nest, 4/6 pair, 2 pairs, 8/-; hen Cockatiel, 5/-: Halls, Claremont, Carnard, Sudbury, Suffolk. (1965)

30/- TALKING Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, year old, lovely plumage, tame, cage given purchaser: Swann, 85, Berwick-st., Liverpool. (14)

BUDGERIGARS from aviary, adult breeding pair Green, splendid pair Yellows, 12/6 lot: Hunt, 20, Sunningdale-rd., Wavertree, Liverpool. (18)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoor, finest possible, 5/- pair; selected breeders, 6/-; Yellows, 8/-; price list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (12)

PAIR Peach-faced Love Birds £3; pair Melba Finches, 50/-; cock Scarlet Tanager, 25/-; approval: Yealland, 46, Roderickrd., Hampstead. (22)

BUDGERIGARS, from exposed aviary, unrelated adults, greens, 5/-; cocks, 2/6; yellows, 3/3; Cockatiels, 12/6; hens, 7/6; approval: Criddeford, Lapford.

ONE Amazon young Parrot (about two years old), good talker, about 30 words, through moult, and square galvanised cage, painted bottom, price £4 the lot: W. S. Slingsby, South Side, Bridlington. Stamp for reply. (11)

PARROT, grey and red, acclimatised, hardy, healthy, splendid condition, with large cage; signed talking warranty, 4 months' trial my risk, 30/-; easy payments taken: 270, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1986)

WINNERS for the Welsh National: Jackson's Whydah, perfect, 70/-, Himalayan Red-headed Bullfinch, 70/-; Dumont's Grackle, 70/-; pair Cambodian Starlings, 60/-; Diamond Sparrows, 50/-; Olive Finches, 20/-; Red-headed Finches, 15/-; cock Dulca Finch, 12/6; all ready to put down, with show cages if desired: Frost, 13, Fairlawn-ave., Chiswick, London. (24)

COCHIN China Lory (Domicella riciniata), charming specimen, 60/-; Malaccan Pink-cheeked Parrakeet (Palaeornis longicauda), 50/-; for full list of other rare and unique birds, see my advt. last week's issue. Now, as always, most magnificent stock in the metropolis; viewed any time by appointment: John Frostick, Naturalist and Importer, 50, Boundaries-rd., Balham. (24)

TALKING BLUE

Fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, hardy, talks, chatters, mimics, sings, finger-tame, square metal cage, four months' trial, my risk, 45/-; easy payments accepted. (1961)

HOPE, GT. BRIDGE ST., WEST BROMWICH

DE VON & CO.

Sibia, full song, 18/-; triangular spotted Doves, 20/- pair; Jay, 5/-; Peregrine Falcon, 20/-; gold fish, coarse fish, plants, snails, globes, etc.; price lists; Saffron Finches, 5/- each; marmozets, 15/- each; Amazon Parrots, 25/-: De Von and Co., 114, Bethnal Green-rd., London.

DOVES.

WANTED any variety for cash: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury-avenue, London. (14)

PURE white Java Doves, 2/6 pair to clear: Turner, Albert Cottage, 1a, Albert-rd., Oswestry. (16)

FOUR pairs of Ring Doves for sale, 1/9 pair to clear: Miss Ethel Pim, 5, Tavistock-rd., Harlesden. (9)

VARIOUS BIRDS.

FOUR variegated hen Canaries, 2/- each: also pet Cavies, 9d. each: Shaw, Waterloo House, Uttoxeter. (17)

LARGE yellow Norwich hen, 1914, 3/-; cock Linnet, muler, 2/-; cock Redpoll, 1/-: Thompson, Confectioner, 63, Wellington-st., Luton. (17)

SMART 1913 Buff Yorkshire cock, good stock bird, cheap, 7/6; large H.M. Linnet, 3/-; approval: Gape, Commercial-st., Ystalyfera, Glam. (12)

FOR sale, two cock Linnet Mules, in full song, 6/- each; also hen Mule, 1/-; approval anywhere: A. Edwards, Kensington House, Goodwick. (14)

GOLDFINCH cock and hen Canary, bred mules last season, 8/- pair; approval, cash or deposit: Whiteley, Buckwood, Thackley, Nr. Bradford. (17)

COCK Bullfinch, 5/6; cock Goldfinch, 5/6; Yorkshire hen, Norwich hen, 7/6 each: all good birds, 1914 bred; approval: Colburn, Sandleford, Newbury. (12)

HANDSOME dark cock Goldfinch Mule, singing, 5/6, good unflighted Buff Norwich cock, 5/-; young buff hens, 2/6 each, all colour-fed; approval, deposit: Dickens, 34, Vernon-st., Northampton. (12)

W. STANILAND has four buff Yorkshire cocks, bred from the best Canary in the Newark Show, 9/6 each, or exchange: also H.M. Linnet and hen Canary, bred Mules this year, 5/-: Collingham, Newark. (13)

LARGE yellow Norwich cock, 7/6: large var. buff hen, 4/6; twice house-moulted Goldfinch, good muler, 6/-; another, large field-moulted, 4/6; double breeder, 4/-; large, single (joiner-made), 3/-; approval: Turfitt, Ollerton, Notts. (12)

FOUR pair Bullfinches, 4/6 pair; 2 pair Chaffinches, 2/- pair; 1 Reed Bunting, 2/-; 1 Bramble Finch, 2/6; 4 pair Green Budgerigars, 5/6 pair; single breeding cage, complete; all birds healthy, on seed; stamp reply: Morris, Church Walk, Bridlington. (19)

THE GLASGOW BIRD SHOP

Canaries, large Norwich hens, buff and variegated, 5/6, 6/6; Norwich cocks, 8/6, 10/6; Border Fancy hens, buff, 2/6, 3/6; Border Fancy cocks, 6/6; Linnets, grand birds, large and well marked, 1/-; cock Bullfinches, 2/6; hens, large, tame, and in perfect plumage, 2/-; green Budgerigars, yellow Budgerigars, Cuttthroats, 3/6 pair; Cockatiels, very fine, 12/6 pair; Bishops, 3/6; Chinese Buntings, 3/- each: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (12)

FOR SALE, NO APPROVAL, CASH ONLY

One Crystal Palace cage, cost 10/6, sell 5/-; 2 parted breeding cages, 5/-, sell 2/6 each; 1 single parted breeding cage (Rudd's), cost 8/6, sell 4/6; 1 three-parted breeding cage, 8/6, sell 4/6 birds left. Pair Cockatiels, 15/- a pair; 10 Yellow Budgies, 3/6 each; 1 Bullfinch, 8/-; 20 Foreign, 30/- lot, with a single breed cage; 4 round seed tins, 24in. high, 18in. wide, 6/- each; 1 wood aviary, sectional, size 2½yds. long, 7ft. high, price £4; write for particulars; stamp for reply: W. S. Slingsby, Marine Drive, Bridlington. (1989)

WANTED.

WANTED, Parrot, must be good talker, on approval: Berry House, Abercanaid, Merthyr. (13)

WANTED, Mules, Canaries and British: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

WANTED, good yellow cock Siskin, exchange Norwich. See Norwich advertisement.—Bowdidge.

WANTED, Canaries and Mule birds, all classes, any number: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1997)

WANTED, Indian Shamah cock, cage-moulted, very good songster, reasonable: Wells, College Green, Bristol. (16)

WANTED, Canaries, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, cash or exchange pigeons: Brain, Aston, Birmingham. (16)

WANTED, Parrot, send lowest price and particulars: W. L., 82, Nichols-sq., Hackney-rd., London, N.E.

WANTED, a large quantity of all kinds of Canaries and British, also talking Parrots: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1995)

WANTED, yellow or buff Norwich hen, give 2 buff Border hens, value 20/-: Gamble, Clydesdale House, South Wigston. (9)

OFFERS wanted for 15 pair Yorkshires, bred of Palace, Bradford National winners: Brown, 42, College-rd., Harrogate. (20)

WANTED, Roller cock; give fat Black Pom. bitch, a gem, tremendous coat, sell 15/-: Stafford, 55, Wild-st., Heywood. (16)

WANTED, six boards, 4ft. x 11in., ⅜-in. thick, planed; exchange two Norwich hens: 6, Hams-rd., Saltley, Birmingham. (15)

WANTED, Yorkshire, colour-fed; give 6/6 pair; deposit cash; also Mules; stamp reply: Oliver, 2, Bridport-pl., Hoxton. (5)

WANTED, hand or Canary-reared 1914 hen Yellowhammer; state price: George Smith, 185, West Main-st., Armadale, Scotland. (18)

BRITISH, Canaries, also Mules, either sex, must be cheap, for immediate cash: Morgan, 28, Monson Colonnade, Tunbridge Wells. (19)

TWO pairs Border or Norwich; exchange pianoharp, almost new, value £1 10s.: George Lambie, 110, West Main-st., Whitburn. (20)

WANTED, second-hand garden aviary in sections, good condition; state size: A. Strickland, Daisy Cottage, Hough Green, Widnes. (23)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1989)

TYPICAL unflighted yellow Yorkshire hen wanted; will give any price for good bird; no dealers: Pomfret, Wigan-rd., Westhoughton. (18)

WANTED, Mules, British and foreign, also Canaries, lowest for cash; enclose stamped address: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (10)

WANTED, Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign birds for re-sale; lowest price for cash: C. A. Paine, 54, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (1966)

WANTED, pair Cockatiels; will give five pairs high-class long-distance homers, flown Bournemouth: G. Malkin, Briggate, Garforth, Leeds. (22)

WANTED, cock Bullfinch Mule, good colour, must pipe tunes, tame pet, young, good home; deposit: Wm. Russell, Garlington, Wineanton. (19)

10 PAIR Yorkshires cheap, only two heavily marked, winning strain; satisfaction guaranteed, 6/6 pair, lot: Frewster, Middlestown, Wakefield. (18)

WANTED, Canaries, Dogs, Monkeys, Pigeons, Mice, Birds, Rabbits, Parrots; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (23)

WANTED, hand-reared tame cock Blackbird, singing; week's approval; caught bird useless; letters please: Occupier, 23, Alfred-st., Shrewsbury. (24)

WANTED, good unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock, exchange 1913 clear buff Yorkshire cock, winner, card sent: Coward, Tanyard, Shaftesbury. (17)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules, give 1/- each; will buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 297, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (18)

WANTED, good Roller cock, first-class songster, exchange four Yorkshire hens or sell 10/-; approval both ways; Rollers first: 137, Love-lane, Stockport. (13)

WANTED, a good young Yorkshire cock; exchange pedigree smooth Fox Terrier bitch, or sell £1: Jones, 37, Foundry-rd., Wellington, Salop. (22)

WANTED, extra long upstanding cinn. nkd. yell. Yorkshire cock (1914), reasonable price paid for good bird; apply: Beaconsfield House, South-st., Brighton. (12)

WANTED, Budgerigars; exchange good H.-M. British, also 2 Redpoll-Greenfinch Hybrids, both winners: F. Child, Bracmar, Downs-rd., Luton, Beds. (15)

WANTED, Canaries; exchange pair pony kneepads, right hand carriage lamp, two pairs clippers, odd pieces harness: Butler, Quarter, Staplehurst, Kent. (14)

LARGE Norwich, long Yorkshires, colour-fed, Mules, Budgerigars, Parrakeets; particulars for cash, or exchange White Cockatoo: Lanham, Walcot, Bath. (23)

WANTED, offers in Yorkshire hens quality not quantity, for Yorkshire terrier dog, good pedigree; apply: A. Smith, 19, Thorsby-rd., Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (14)

WANTED unflighted Crest-bred cock, in exchange for three unflighted Plainhead Norwich hens, cold-room bred; approval: Chas. Makins, Palace Green, Berwick-on-Tweed. (12)

WANTED, Border Fancies, Parrots, white mice, also other varieties of live stock for cash; state prices: Wilson, Scotland's Largest Naturalists, Argyle-st., Glasgow. (20)

WANTED, large yellow and buff C.F. Norwich, size and type essential, for cash, or exchange lady's gold keyless wrist bracelet, value 50/-: 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (12)

WANTED, pair of Norwich (1914), must be good size and type; exchange for grand pair of 1914 show homers, value 30/-; approval: Nield, "Fern Lea," Taunton-rd., Ashton-under Lyne. (8)

WANTED, two cock Canaries or Mules, singing, or five hens; exchange six ivorine handled knives, with nickel silver forks or cruet: all new; approval: Robinson, 3, Trampton-rd., Retford. (21)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Border Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, and British birds cheap: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

WANTED, good British birds; good price paid for good birds; cash, or exchange high-class Yorkshires; bankers, London, City and Midland: Edwin North, Canary Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (22)

WANTED, cock Goldfinch, hen Bullfinch, Siberian; exchange nearly new double barrel gun, 12 bore, left chuck, maker Hughes, Birmingham, or offers, cash; approval: Potter, 6, Handy Cross, Bideford.

WANTED, offers in colour-fed Yorkshires for 13 bound volumes of "History of England," in good condition, dating from Julius Cæsar to Queen Victoria, cost 3/6 each: Jagger, 46, Gladstone-st., Leeds-rd., Bradford. (18)

CANARIES wanted for cash, good prices given for surplus Norwich and Yorkshires, well bred cocks and hens; any quantity; deposit; same address 22 years: G. Smith, Central Bird Stores, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (1999)

WANTED, exhibition cock Goldies, hen Canaries; exchange five young Dutch rabbits, steels and blacks, and two black does; 5/6 each youngsters, 7/6 each adults; offers: Billington, Dalk, Swanlow, Winsford, Cheshire. (17)

WANTED, Norwich hens, Linnet cages, and large flight cage; will exchange Goldfinches, Linnets, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, all house-moulted and in full song: Holloway, 15, Ganna Park-rd., Peverell, Plymouth. (10)

WANTED, good matched pair 1913 bred Norwich Canaries, large birds, with plenty of feather, no rubbish; will exchange about 55 feet ¾-inch fitted garden hose on reel, nearly new; address: John Gilbert, 15, Cromwell Green, Letchworth, Garden City, Herts. (19)

WANTED, Yorkshire, also Norwich cocks or Rollers, must be on song; exchange best quality lady's, gent.'s umbrellas, value 12/6, 15/- each; birds first; approval both ways; offers: Dobbs, Umbrella Manufacturer, 866, Rochdale-rd., Queen's Park, Manchester. (15)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

Wanted, Hen Canaries

18/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

FRED. ALLEN will give good British for Canaries, Mules, etc.: Porter-st Aviaries, Hull. (24)

LINNETS, full song, 1/- each, 3 for 2/6, others 4/- dozen; exchange; offers: Cutler, 25, High-st., Walsall. (14)

EXCHANGE cock Linnet Mule for buff or yellow Crestbred hen; four hen mules, 3/-: 55, Letitia-st., Middlesbro. (17)

EXCHANGE unflighted yellow cock Norwich, for a good yellow cock Siskin or cock Linnet Mule: Jones, 13, Raby-st., Llanelly. (13)

SIX cock Bullies, 2/- each; two hen Bullies, 1/6 each; steady; exchange Canaries to value: Wright, 14, Hosevale-st., Partick. (20)

TWO fine cock Greenfinch Mules, large cock Chaffinch, house-moulted, steady; exchange cock Roller: Simonds, Lower Billmorton-rd., Rugby. (12)

SPLENDID pair Bullfinches and cock Greenfinch, 6/6; exchange good buff Norwich hen, or Budgerigars: Bugby, Thorpe-st., Raunds, Wellingboro'. (18)

EXCHANGE Goldfinch, two Bullfinches, Chaffinch cocks, also pair Greenfinches for good 1914 Norwich hens; yours first: Hood, East Harling, Norfolk.

EXHIBITION Bullfinch, 2nd Birmingham only time shown, 10/-; house-moulted exhibition Chaffinch, 5/-; exhibition Goldfinch, muler, 10/-; or exchange Canaries; yours first: George Potter, 29, Broseley Wood, Salop. (17)

EXCHANGE h.m. Linnet, winner, good colour, shape and markings, h.m. Redpoll, winner, for Norwich hens for muling, or other British f.m. or h.m.: J. Wright, 32 Ashgrove-avenue, Foggy Furz, West Hartlepool. (12)

TWO exhibition Goldfinches, one bred mules, 8/6 each; Siskin, 7/6; Goldfinch Mule, 7/6; variegated Norwich Crest, 10/-; all cocks; each bird is a prize winner; exchange for good hammerless gun; approval: G. Mills, Belle Vue, Mount Pleasant, Redditch.

HYBRID pair; large exhibition cock Linnet and Bullfinch hen, 5/-; large exhibition cock Bullfinch, 3/6; steady selected specimens; exchange above for large 1914 yellow or variegated Norwich hen; approval: Waddell, The Knowe, Muir-rd., Bathgate.

H.M. cock Chaffinch, 4/6; h.m. cock Greenfinch, 4/-; c.m. cock Goldfinch, 4/-; hand-reared hen Bullfinch, 3/-; f.m. cock Linnet, 2/-; sure breeders; buff cock Yorkshire, 7/6; colour-fed cock Goldfinch Mule, 7/-; all large birds; wanted, Crestbreds, Norwich hens, h.m. Goldies: Collins, "Brookside," Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (23)

LINNETS.—Three champion twice house moulted cocks, 3/6 each: Mules, two splendid dark yellow Goldie Mule cocks, 7/6 each; one dark Linnet Mule cock, 6/6; also beautiful cock Goldie-Greenie hybrid, 10/6: all grand songsters; exchange any for adult Budgies, Cardinals, etc.: Allison, Hairdresser, Blyth, Northumberland. (20)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE four 1914 Rollers, hens, for a 1914 Roller cock or sell 8/6: Plympton, 36, Emmie-rd., Lewisham, S.E. (14)

WILL exchange 3 large healthy Norwich hens for two cock Mules; mutual approval: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1977)

STOCK Norwich wanted in exchange for best portable camera Kodak, new 1914: A. Mitchell, Dunmurry, Co. Antrim, Ireland. (11)

SMART unflighted yellow Norwich cock, 15/-; yellow cock, 1913, 12/6; exchange big buff hen; Johnson, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (18)

GLUCKE Roller, 1914 B.R.C.C. rung, in drawing-room cage; exchange records or offers: Legget, 18, Montague-rd., Dalston. (15)

GOOD clear buff Yorkshire cock, exchange for 2 large Yorkshire hens, buff and yellow: Foote, 8, Tanyard, Shaftesbury. (17)

PAIR Yorkshires, buff cock and yellow hen, or two yellow cocks, for yellow Norwich hen: F. King, Crown-st., Hebden Bridge. (18)

SALE, Yorkshire Canaries, or exchange for good working ferrets or joiners' tools: R. H. Jackson, Bank [illegible] Burrs. (9)

TWO yellow Yorkshire cocks, both winners, £3; exchange 1for Crested or Crestbred hen: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1994)
FOUR good feeding hens, will feed anything; exchange large Norwich hen or sell, 8/-. Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea, London. (18)
TWO yellow sib. hens (Sperry's); exchange for two large yellow Norwich hens for dark muling: J. H. Taylor, Halstead, Essex. (13)
EXCHANGE yellow Norwich hen and Crestbred hen for yellow Norwich hen, change blood; mutual: Henderson, 37, Grant-st., Wick. (8)
BUFF Border cock, 6/-; buff hen, 2/6; wanted large marked Norwich hen, healthy: Fairful, Greenside Cottage, Darvel, Ayrshire. (14)
WANTED, singing cock Canary, exchange large handsome cock Goldfinch, can win, 6/-; cock Bullfinch, 2/6: S. Burch, Woodbridge. (16)
EXCHANGE two pair Yorkshires for good yellow Norwich cock, value 25/-; approval: J. Robinson, Lonsdale-st., Newheld, Newcastle. (2)
WANTED, good unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock; exchange two clear buff Yorkshire hens, 1913 and 1914: Coward, Tanyard, Shaftesbury. (17)
GRAND yellow Norwich cock, two buff hens, sell 25/-; or exchange for young Crested hen; approval; yours first: Calam, 59, Baxtergate, Whitby. (16)
NORWICH for sale, buff cock and yellow hen, 8/-; or exchange lady's boots, or anything useful: Booth, 9, Clarence-st., Spennymoor, Durham. (12)
HAND-PEGGED hearthrug, nicely designed, 2yds. by 1, value £1; exchange good Roller Canaries: F. Jones, 38, Tavistock-st., Harpurhey, Manchester. (15)
WILL exchange three young singing Yorkshires for one good buff Norwich hen, 1914 bird: S. J. Arnold, 15, Elm-st., Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham.
FOUR Norwich cocks for sale, or would exchange for Talking Parrot; no rubbish given or wanted: H. Thompson, 25, Humber-st., Weaste, Manchester.
EXCHANGE Yorkshires for Kozy carrier, containing two Yorkshire show cages; Yorkshires for sale: Thomas, Langley Farm, Barkham, Wokingham.
GOOD prize-winning Border Fancies, in good condition, sell, 10/- pair; or exchange, offers invited: J. H. Hands, jnr., Painswick-rd. Bakery, Cheltenham.
FIVE pairs of flying Tipplers, 12 hours' strain, for sale, 7/6 pair; or exchange for Canaries and cages and utensils: Mr. Broad, 27, Gladstone-rd., Maidstone. (18)
FOR sale, cock Roller, in full song, 10/6, or will exchange for two big clear yellow Norwich-type hen Canaries, 1914 bred: Castle, Weston-Rhyn, Oswestry. (16)
PAIR white pigmy pouters, 35/-; pair silvers, 30/-; splendid stock birds; exchange gramophone, Canaries, offers: Martyn Leigh, 37, Queen's Gardens, Brighton. (11)
ABOUT 1 doz. right good Norwich, champion strain, from 7/6; 2 double buff hens; exchange violin, jewellery: Peters, 23, Dean-rd., Gorton, Manchester. (12)
BANJO-MANDOLINE, in case, and tutor, cost 28/6, perfect condition; exchange 3 cock Canaries, in full song; offers: Titchmarsh, 229, Mitcham-lane, Streatham, London. (11)
PAIR good Norwich, two pair high-class Yorkshires, fine breeders; exchange for good plain Talking Amazon and cage; no rubbish: Mrs. Richardson, Well Lane, Lincoln. (19)
1914 VARIEGATED yellow Yorkshire cock in song, clear buff hen, 10/6; exchange thick-set rough Airedale dog pup, about six months: Roper, 134, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (20)
WHAT offers in Canaries or British or foreign birds for single or double-breeding cages, or Yorkshire, Norwich, or Border show cages: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (575)
WILL exchange new gramophone with records, value £6, or ladies' or gentlemen's jewellery for large framed Norwich, for stock or exhibition: 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (12)
TWO good buff Norwich hens, 4/- each; exchange two good 1914 yellow Yorkshire hens, twice H.-M. cock Linnet and good Dark Yorkshire hen, 6/-: Sykes, Ealand, Crowle, Doncaster. (12)
EXCHANGE 1914 buff Norwich cock, 1914 green marked Crested cock, 1913 green Crested cock, all good quality birds, for 1914 Yorkshire hens, or sell 15/- each: E. Saxon, 27, Oxford-rd., Smethwick. (15)
EXCHANGE pair of English tortoise, rabbits, Marcella strain, for pair of Yorkshires or Borders, also fishing rod and tackle for Canaries; what offers; yours first; particulars: Lowe, 8, Parkin-st., Alfreton.
TWO Border cocks, 5/- each; one Border hen, 2/6; two variegated Yorkshire cocks, 5/-; one yellow green cock, 6/-; two yellow green hens, 3/-; one cinnamon hen, 3/; cocks full song; best offer or anything for house: Holmes, 23, Jefferson-st., Liverpool. (23)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE cavies or rabbits for Canaries: Scott, 15, Railway-st., Shotton, Sunderland. (18)
GOOD pair Green Budgerigars, 7/6; exchange songster Canary: Goldsmith, Queen-st., Maidenhead. (18)
WHAT offers for 3 Yorkshire show cages and 2 Norwich, all new: Hodgkins, 81, Chads-rd., Derby.
EXCHANGE Buff Scotch Fancy hen for cock Goldfinch, or offers: Craig, 17, Grey-st., Wallsend-on-Tyne. (20)
WHAT offer in exchange for Spaniel dog pup, 4 months old: Watts, 51, Wellington-st., Merthyr Tydvil. (21)
EXCHANGE dark Goldfinch Mule for large Norwich 1914 cock bird, or sell 10/-: Osborn, St. Helens, Wight.
WHAT offers in Rollers or Yorkshires, 1914 birds, for 20lbs. good clean cuttlefish bone: Buessell, Seaton, Devon. (17)
EXCHANGE three Spangled Bantam pullets for good Roller Canary: F. Cousins, 31, Abbey-rd., Cambridge. (13)
WHAT offers in fresh British for 6 pairs of Fancy Roller Pigeons: Steele, 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester. (20)
WANTED, poultry; exchange high-class Canaries and cages complete: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1997)
LAYING pullets, singing cock Canaries, Parrots, given in exchange for other fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich.
ROUGH-coated pedigree Fox terrier puppies, five months, 15/-; or exchange poultry: Kirk, Shelley, Huddersfield. (14)
EXCHANGE 30 Amberol records for Canaries or anything useful for the house to value 15/-: Finch, Glo-calid, Pembrey. (13)
NOTICE: we want birds and other live stock in exchange for cutlery and plate: Write, Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (20)
EXCHANGE prize-bred Yorkshires for cycle outer covers or British: Robinson, 44, Cromer-st., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent. (22)
WANTED, good Yorkshire cock or anything useful; exchange six-foot single folding bedstead: 200, Malpas-rd., Brockley, S.E. (10)
PAIR football boots, size 6, good condition, 3/6; exchange Siskin, Norwich, Roller hens: Harry Kay, Portland rd., Blackpool.
TWO smart Black Wyandotte Bantam hens; exchange boys' clothing, or sell 8/-: Pearson, Scow House, Dent, Yorkshire. (10)
EXCHANGE enlarger, 3½ condenser, for gramophone and records, or Roller Canaries; particulars: 8, Deepdale-rd., Fleetwood. (12)
WANTED, Canaries, for a slot electricity machine, wants new battery bolt meter, slight repairs: Butler, Quarter, Staplehurst, Kent. (14)
PAIR of pure white Pekin Bantams, last year's breeding, sell 6/6, or exchange anything: Taylor, 7, Warre-st., Ashton-under-Lyne. (22)
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NORWICH, cocks, clear yellow, yellow variegated, and buff variegated, bred from winners, 7/6 to 12/6; approval: Ramsay, 36, Brechin-rd., Arbroath. (27)

UNFLIGHTED clear, or ticked, buff Norwich hens, colour fed, good stock birds, 7/6 each; approval with pleasure: H. Teat, Ancaster, Grantham. (32)

NORWICH cocks 7/6, hens 3/6, or 10/- a pair; cages, baths, seed boxes for sale, useful exchange entertained: Smith, 4, Pilkington-st., Thornes, Wakefield. (30)

GOOD stock birds from winners, pure type and quality, especially buff cocks, moderate price: Barrows, 7, Grosvenor-screecent, St. Leonards-on-Sea. (1996)

C. H. GOODMAN, has some good Norwich at reduced prices, for quick sale; also cages, etc.; write requirements to: 24, Bedford-rd., Kempston, Bedford. (14)

FEW good Norwich, Bullfinch type, good heads, best blood, 35 years breeder, judge of many shows, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham.

GRAND unflighted clear yellow cock, 8/6; also clear unflighted buff cock, 7/6; also grand buff hen, 3/6; approval, deposit: Williams and Roberts, Vron, Shep, Denbigh. (41)

FEW nice unflighted Norwich cocks, yellow buff, 6/6 each; yellow and buff hens, unflighted, 4/- each; approval: Beswick, Hatherton-lane, Hazel Grove, Stockport. (35)

CLEAR yellow Norwich cock, fit for Palace, 40/-; others, cocks and hens, all colours, from 10/6; state wants; approval: C. Roberts, Stannahey, Newton-drive, Blackpool. (40)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each; satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

TWO buff Norwich cocks, good heads, size, 15/- each; 1 buff cock, 10/-, nice head; hens from 7/6 each; see wins Carlisle, Glasgow: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle. (33)

T. IRONS has some good Norwich for sale, state wants and prices; on approval, with pleasure; see recent L.C.B.A. and our Hand-in-Hand Xmas shows: Ivy-rd., Northampton. (1989)

SEVERAL pairs of Norwich, properly matched for breeding, 7/6, 8/6 pair, also 3 unflighted buff Yorkshire cocks, 6/- each; approval deposit: Foxon, Boot Dealer, Hinckley. (14)

WILLIAM PHIPPS has a few prize strain Norwich for disposal; winner of over 50 prizes last year; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; approval, cold room: 16, Mill Platt, Isleworth. (36)

NORWICH; a few high-class birds for disposal, rare type, colour, and quality; no better blood obtainable, cheap; state wants: J. S. Wilson, 118, Harrington-rd., Workington. (40)

EXCEPTIONAL offer, unflighted buff Norwich hen, real model, with size, good head and chest, winner three honours, 2nd last week, accept 10/-: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (41)

COMPULSORY sale; massive framed marked yellow unflighted Norwich cock, large round head, deep chest, short thick-set specimen, 10/6: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (41)

MASON'S champion Norwich, can spare one or two grand pairs, also a few very good unflig. buff cocks, with size, substance and colour; approval: 11, Victoria-sq., Ella-st., Hull. (39)

HIGHLY-BRED Norwich, all-round yellow cock, 20/-; tight-feathered unflighted buff, 15/-; good-headed unflighted buff hen, 10/-: H. Norman, Bird Artist, Eyrie, Carshalton, Surrey. (13)

PAIR Green Norwich Canarics, 10/-; house moulted cock Goldfinch, proved muler, Norwich hen, 10/6; three Bullfinch hens, 1/3 each, one cock 2/6: Isaac, Ceinuchaf, Llangeler, Llandyssil. (32)

NO elaborate specification needed. I have only four left from last week's advert. These can be had at reduced prices to clear; state wants; approval: Platt, 5, Bramford-lane, Ipswich. (33)

FOR sale: I can spare a few typical cocks and hens, yellow and buff, from 10/- to 30/- each, bred from and related to my winners; cheap birds: J. McNaughton, Dunipace, Larbert. (36)

TWO clear yellow cocks, one unflighted, 15/- each; one large buff clear cock, 25/-; one yellow variegated cock, prize bred, 50/-: A. Mason, 207, St. Andrews-rd., Pollokshields, Glasgow. (39)

SPLENDID Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; 1914 cold-room, clean and healthy; cash, approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester (close to Midland Station). (1982)

NORWICH, large 1913 pair, good breeders, 14/-; two big 1914 cocks, 9/6 each; hen, 4/6; colour fed, cold room; call Saturday or Sunday: Henry Lettis 2a, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak, N.W. (29)

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"HOLDENS," Norwich, the best stud in the North, birds from this strain are winning at all leading shows; yellow and buff cocks and hens from 15/-; approval, stamp: 59, Hartington-st., Gateshead. (42)

NORWICH, bred from stock not disposed of last season, three unflighted buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 25/-; two do. hens, 7/6, 15/-; bred clear buff cock, plenty of size, good head, 30/-: Muir, 107, Shields-rd., Glasgow. (33)

CLEAR buff hen, good head and neck, 10/-; ticked buff cock, nice size, lovely quality feather, 12/-; clear yellow cock, hot colour, 10/-; all unflighted; champion strain, approval: Litchfield, Tennyson-rd., Luton. (37)

A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster, offers the following Norwich, rare value; unflighted yell cock, 20/-; buff ditto, 15/-; both bred from big winners, nice unflighted yellow hen, 15/-; all worth double. (36)

MR. A. L. HAWKES, being unable to give his exhibition stock of Norwich proper attention on account of his son being away on active service, offers any or all at a great sacrifice; see other advertisements. (41)

CLEAR unflighted buff cock, clear buff cock, marked yellow cock, 1913, same blood as my winners, 15/- each, worth double; would exchange lot for two young yellow hens: Willoughby, Newhampton-rd., Wolverhampton. (37)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, Bull-dog strain direct; pairs matched, 10/-, 12/6, 15/6, 20/-, 30/-; several cocks, 10/- to 20/- upwards; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: cash or deposit: Grout, 64, Hughenden-rd., Norwich. (33)

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CYRIL BROWN, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe, has all his exhibition stock of Norwich for sale, cheap, winner of 250 prizes, cups, and medals; cocks, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 6/-, 8/6, 10/6; three days' approval; satisfaction guaranteed. (38)

TWO buff coppy cocks, 12/6 each, buff and yellow Plainhead cocks, 10/- each; buff Plainhead hen, 12/6; buff coppy hen, 6/-; few hens, Lancashire cross, 3/- each; approval, deposit: John Swalwell, 33, Widdop-st., Oldham. (36)

GREAT sacrifice; typical thick-set colour-fed buff Norwich cock, with exceptional head, chest, short flights, gem all over, won several honours this season, accept 15/-, worth £3 3s.: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (41)

CHAMPION Norwich, large clear buff, good head, splendid feather, 25/-, grand stock bird; variegated buff, 20/-; variegated yellow, 17/6; all unflighted; some good buff hens, will breed winners; approval: Potter, Goddard-ave., Hull. (40)

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SEVERAL 1914 well-bred Norwich cocks and hens, cheap for immediate sale, splendid condition, or would sell whole stock (about 40), also breeding cages and all appliances for any reasonable offer: Lascelles, Roborough, Valley-rd., Streatham. (38)

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WELL-BRED Norwich, 2 marked yellow, 1 clear yellow, unflighted cocks, 6/- each, good size, 1 large variegated buff, 1913 cock, grand stock bird, cost 25/-, sell 7/-; all typical colour-fed birds, singing; approval: Bolton, 4, North-st., Carshalton, Surrey. (38)

RARE chance for novices, two grand stock unflighted buff cocks, 10/6 and 12/6 each; two fine clear yellow cocks, 15/- and 17/6 each; two typical buff hens, 5/- and 7/6 each; all own breeding; approval: J. Woolhouse, 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsboro', Sheffield. (41)

SPECIAL, Special, Special, several very large typical buff Norwich hens, rare size, type and quality, suitable for stock or exhibition, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 15/- and 21/- each, all cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (30)

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CHAMPION songsters, day and gaslight, 3/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (32)

PURE Roller cocks, full song, none better, prices 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; hens, 2/6: John Bennett, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (20)

GLUCKE Rollers, B.R. rung, cocks from 10/6, hens 5/-, or exchange: Brown, 220, Tah Bank-rd., Oldbury, Birmingham. (17)

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SEIFERT Rollers, grand young cocks, 7/6 and upwards; hens from 2/6; approval: Bennett, Snelston Hall, Ashbourne, Derbys. (41)

1914 ROLLER cocks, singing 3/-, two 5/-; hens 1/6; special Seifert Rollers, full song, 7/6: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon, Glam. (30)

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PURE Water-Glucke Rollers, cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 3/6, 4/6; approval, deposit: N. Clouting, 27, Somers-rd., Brixton Hill, S.W. (29)

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EXTRA good Roller hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; cocks, B.R.C.C. rung, 8/6, 10/6; one good schoolmaster, 20/-: Fred Allen, B.B.C., 156, Porter-st., Hull. (39)

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Twitterings.

Mr. J. Spencer writes that Mr. W. Cruise having resigned secretaryship for Bradford East O.S., all future correspondence should be addressed to Mr. J. Spencer, 10, Runswick-terrace, Bankfoot, Bradford.

I have sold my Redpoll, 1st Scottish National, 1st Doncaster, 1st Glasgow, 1st Larkhall, to Mr. W. J. Bancroft (Swansea) at catalogue price, and I wish him every success, writes Mr. W. P. Campbell (Larkhall).

I have been elected sec. of the Guisborough and Dist. "Priory" C.B.S. in place of Mr. Warnker, and future correspondence re the society should be directed to me, writes Mr. A. W. Knaggs, 63B, Westgate, Guisbro, Yorks.

Kindly announce in CAGE BIRDS that the Southampton and Dist. C.B.S. annual show will be held on Dec. 1 and 2. Mr. Norman has been engaged to judge, writes Mr. W. L. Page, hon. sec. Secretaries please note date to avoid clashing.

It has been decided to resume meetings of the Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S. (which were cancelled owing to the war), under a new secretary, and I have been appointed to fill that office, writes Mr. Thomas G. Crutcher, 85, Delafield Road, Charlton, S.E.

We have decided to hold our 1915 show, writes Mr. John C. Bell, hon. sec. Border City (Carlisle) O.S., on Wed. and Thurs., Oct. 27 and 28, with Mr. J. Robson (London), Mr. W. Nicholson (Stockton), and Mr. I. McCredie (Dumfries) as judges. The members' pair show has been fixed for Feb. 11.

The Coventry Godiva C.B.S. have been compelled, through increased membership, to remove their headquarters, and we have engaged the Sydenham Palace for all shows, writes Mr. W. Saunders, hon. sec. We hold our next open show Oct. 23, 1915, and are hoping to make this fixture the Palace of the Midlands. We thank all exhibitors for past support, and hope for more in the future.

Will fanciers please note change of room for the Leeds C.B.S. tea, concert, and prize distribution, writes Mr. E. Norton, hon. sec. This will be held in the Co-operative Hall, Penny Hill, top of Church Street, Hunslet, on Saturday, Feb. 6; tea on table 5.30; tickets 1s. 6d. Fanciers invited. Will members please notify their intention to attend, also return all tickets unsold by Monday, Feb. 1, so that we shall know how many to provide for.

In the "Avicultural Magazine" for January, the journal of the Avicultural Society, the editor, Mr. H. D. Astley, writes of the Rose breasted Grosbeak, and includes an interesting extract from the writing of the ornithologist Audubon, with a beautiful coloured picture of a pair of the birds. Dr. A. G. Butler contributes a chapter on "Reason in Birds," and amongst the other contents is a continuation of the valuable list by Dr. E. Hopkinson on "English Names for the Parrots."

We hear that Mr. A. Hirst, Accrington, will judge at the show of the Leinster O.S., Dublin, on Feb. 10.

I find CAGE BIRDS perfectly invaluable, the only fault being that it does not come out twice weekly.—M. Haworth-Booth (London, S.W.).

Messrs. Deer and Cundy, secs., write that the Southend C.B.S. shows for 1915 will be: Pair show, Feb. 17; F.F., July 21; and annual open, Nov. 24 and 25.

The City of Birmingham C.B.S. is holding a members' show Feb. 6 (half day) writes Mr. J. H. Jones, sec. Judge, Mr. J. H. Roe; entries up to 2 p.m. on day of show.

Owing to a misunderstanding we have to postpone our combined charity show arranged for Jan. 30 until Feb. 6, writes Mr. A. Freestone, sec. Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.

I have now taken over the secretaryship of the Vale of Leven C.B.C., in room of Mr. A. H. McLean, resigned, writes Mr. John Hannah, 373, Main Street, Bonhill.

I have taken over the duties of sec. to the North-West Glasgow C.B.C., and all communications should be addressed to me, writes Mr. John Houston, 31, Willowbank Crest, Glasgow.

Kindly correct error in my note in Twitterings in CAGE BIRDS of Jan. 16, writes Mr. F. Hayward, hon. sec. Manchester and N.C.O.S. Our members' show date is Feb. 6, not 7, as I stated.

We hear that Mr. W. Everett has been appointed secretary to the Skelmanthorpe C.B.A., and all correspondence should be addressed to him at Bagden Hall Stables, Huddersfield.

Mr. R. Best ("Tadorne," Kingswood, Surrey) informs us that he has been trading in birds and animals in Antwerp, and would be glad to hear from anyone who could find him occupation in this line during war-time.

It was decided at the last meeting of the Upper Rhondda C.B.S. that we give all the support possible in entries, etc., to the Welsh National Show, writes Mr. H. Watts, the sec., and I hope members who were absent will aid us in this endeavour.

"British Birds" for January, Messrs. Witherby and Co., High Holborn, one shilling monthly, opens with notes by Miss Maud Haviland on the breeding habits of the Curlew Sandpiper, with photographic illustrations. Principal among the other contents is "A Practical Study of Bird Œcology," by H. G. Alexander—a very interesting contribution. The usual monthly "Notes" include an account of the appearance of a Chiffchaff at Swanage on Dec. 10 last.

The hon. sec. of the British Roller C.C., Mr. J. W. Norris, writes: "Re the International Show, the hall we have had previously is not available now, so I have had to find another hall at a short notice. It will be held at the "Cock and Lion Hotel," 62, Wigmore Street, London, W., and the judges are Messrs. Fisher, Lester and Tomlinson. Owing to the war, we are not asking Roller societies for specials this year, but if any member likes to send a special we shall be very pleased to accept same.

The January issue of "Bird Notes," the organ of the Foreign Bird Club, is mainly comprised of an interesting review of the foreign birds at the recent Horticultural Hall exhibition, and a list of members and their addresses. Miss M. Bousfield writes of her Tanagers, Mr. A. Silver contributes some notes on the Japanese Hawfinch, and Mr. W. A. Bainbridge tells of the successful breeding of Hybrids between the Tri-coloured Mannikin and the Bengalese. The issue contains reproductions of some beautiful drawings by Mr. H. Goodchild.

Use our Notepaper

Accrington Fancier's Misfortune.

East Lancashire fanciers will be sorry, writes Mr. A. Hirst, to hear that one of the Accrington Society's members, Mr. J. E. Hartup, is lying seriously ill in bed.

Prize-money Paid.

We hear that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows: Tredegar C.B.S., Watford C.B.S., Brandon Colliery C.B.S. Those who may have been accidentally overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries.

A Helping Hand.

We hear that the members of the London and Provincial O.S. intend to support the Welsh National Show to the best of their ability. Their secretary, Mr. C. W. Law, made a special appeal to this effect at the L. and P.O.S. annual dinner held last week.

Water Glasses Wanted.

Mr. E. Tams, the well-known dealer, of Church Street, Longton, writes that he is desirous of buying wholesale glass fountains, etc., for bird-cages. The firm with which he previously dealt has ceased to stock them. Mr. Tams will be glad to hear from any maker or wholesaler.

Going Strong.

The hon. sec. of the City and Suburban A.C.B., Mr. V. Wynn, informs us that eight new members were nominated at their last meeting. This, coming on top of a batch of six elected as members, serves to show, he says, that there is still plenty of interest being taken in the hobby.

Zeppelin Kills Talking Linnet.

In the recent Zeppelin raid a fortunate escape was that of Mr. Walden and his family, who live in Albert Street, King's Lynn. Mr. Walden is a farrier and "dog doctor." A bomb crashed into the open space behind his house, making a hole at least four yards across and three yards deep. The back bedroom of his house, which had been built as an addition, was blown completely away; happily nobody was asleep in it. In the middle room his young son was smothered by falling plaster. The father rescued him. The windows were blown out of the front bedroom, in which Mr. and Mrs. Walden were sleeping. "But we had one casualty," says Mr. Walden: "a brown Linnet, one of my best friends in the world. I reared him from the egg, and he could talk like a Parrot. He used to say to me every morning, 'Ere he comes; pretty Dick; kiss me!' And kiss me he would; but nobody else. He is dead, but another bird, blown into the next room in his cage, is all right. So are the dogs."

"Please thank all enquirers for the Goldfinch which I advertised in CAGE BIRDS. I had so many applicants that I am unable to write to all, but have sent answers to those sending stamp. This speaks well for CAGE BIRDS as the means of disposing of our birds."—G. W. SAUNDERS (Haslemere).

HOME-GROWN BIRD SEED.

By THOMAS ARNOTT (Kirkcaldy.)

IN reply to "Bird Lover's" query in your last issue concerning home grown bird seed, I may say that some years ago I grew canary seed in my garden, merely as an experiment, and it turned out highly satisfactory. I used about ¼-lb. of good Spanish canary seed to about one square yard of ground. Now, this soil had no special treatment in the way of manure, yet the crop was good and compared well with the best Turkish seed on the market at that time. I sowed the seed towards the end of March and harvested the same in August.

The result satisfied me that if I cared to grow more it would be even more satisfactory by treating the soil with manure and by giving more attention during the summer. I am absolutely certain that canary seed could be grown in the south of England and be a commercial success. At a time like the present, also since the Turkish war in 1913, the price of canary seed has become extraordinary, and British fanciers would, I am certain, encourage canary seed growing in Britain. At present canary seed is only grown in England in small quantities and does not come upon the market to any noticeable extent.

There is black rape seed grown in England, also in France and Holland. The English quality is by far the best, although the French quality is more often used. Like canary seed, I do not see why the German summer rape cannot be grown quite as successfully in the far south of England. The German summer rape is the best of all rape seeds for birds.

At present the finest millet seed is grown in Italy; it is very good. The French millet is of a yellowish tint; but both the Italian and French millets are more expensive than the millet we get from Smyrna, which is a good quality, and cheap. Red and brown millets are extensively grown in the Danubian valley. These are only used in moderate quantites by fanciers, because a still cheaper quality is imported from Persia.

Spray millet is also grown in France. Indian millet is imported in comparatively small quantities and used in conjunction with other seeds for the feeding of Foreign birds, principally. Millet seed of good quality might also be grown successfully in the south of England.

The manure I would use for the growing of any of these seeds would be out of my poultry run — as old as possible and in a dry powder form. I believe it the very best sort of manure for this most interesting purpose.

Mr. T. J. Reynolds writes from Cornwall that he has also grown canary seed. He says: "It ripened all right, and I had a good crop. Spanish seed does the best. I sow the seed in April, and do not dress the ground, as it ripens better without this. When the seed is ripe I cut it and let the heads lie on the ground for a day or two in the sun.

"I should think that rape seed would do well, too, as lots of farmers grow it for their sheep. Maw seed has done very well with me. I sowed this in March."

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Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.
Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).
Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 7, Mordaunt Rd., The Avenue, Southampton.)

Scotland.

Jan. 22-23.—**Glasgow, Scottish P.H.C.**—(E. Barron, 119, Montrose St.)

Wales.

Feb. 5-6-8.—**Cardiff (Welsh National Show).**—(W. Sampson, 93, Llanishen St.)

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The Shows.

GLASGOW.

First open show of Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries held under the auspices of the Scottish Plainhead Club and the Scottish Yorkshire Club, Union Hall, West Nile Street, a spacious hall with abundance of room for visitors. This initial venture proved successful in every way. Birds were finely staged round the three sides, and a very imposing sight they were, quality being a leading feature. Many of the past season's prominent winners, in fact the cream of Scotland, were present, with a liberal entry of very choice specimens from over the Border, which fully held their own, Yorkshire exhibits scoring well. The entry of 300 was considered very good. Unflighted Rung Bird Confined Class was disappointing, the ring question, which caused much adverse criticism, being the cause; many members are entirely against their use. All arrangements were ably carried out by Sec. Mr. E. Barron, supported by such capable fanciers as Pres. A. Sloan, S.P.C., and Pres. R. Heggie, S.Y.C.C.; committee, Messrs. W. Hutchison, W. Aitchison, A. Maxwell, R. Jeffrey, F. Taylor, J. F. Park, J. Fulton, W. Priest, and W. Cochrane. Mr. J. Pinnock (Glasgow) made his debut as a judge in Yorkshires, and according to his awards he knows his way about. Mr. A. Gardiner (Newtongrange) judged Norwich, and his awards met with but slight criticism.

NOR. OPEN. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Chalmers, tkd. head, good size, col., qual., and cond., Wishaw winner, but lucky to-day; 2, Crawshaw we liked, better size and subs., prominent head, thick neck, extra good qual. and col., rare flights, and carries them well; 3, Maxwell, fine, short, cobby body, good head and neck, rich qual. and col., neat flights; 4, J. C. Murray, Scottish National winner, we liked for second, rare size and qual. of feather, grand head and neck, fine thick-set cobby specimen, best of wings, style, and cond.; 5, Kerr; 6, Hirst, we preferred for third place, rare short cobby specimen, good qual., size, col., and cond., hard luck; 7, Aitchison. BUFF (8): 1, sp, Aitchison, well up in size, fine subs. of body, good head and neck, excellent qual. and col., nicely mealed, stylish, good cond.; 2, Chalmers, Wishaw, etc., winner, tkd., fine short cobby specimen, grand head and neck, deep front, inner flights missing, therefore lucky; 3, Colley, fine size and subs. of body, rare qual. and col., nice short flights, trifle weak in head; 4, Maxwell, good head and subs. of body, excellent qual., col., and cond.; 5, Pearson; 6, Stewart; 7, Melville. VARIEG. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Aitchison, grand bird, eyes and right wing mkd., great size, fine round head, thick neck, deep front, excellent qual., col. and cond., wins; 2, Barron, heavier mkd., fine, deep fronted bird, of good qual. and col., well up in size, slightly corded in feather; 3, Fulton, grand head and neck, very fine qual., col., and cond., stylish and well put down; 4, Stewart, fine head, neck, qual., and coud.; 5, Turner; 6, no name; 7, Gallacher. BUFF (12): 1, Aitchison, regular bulldog, grand head, neck, and front, rare thick-set cobby body, lovely qual., col., and cond., good size and shape, neatly carried wings, wins well; 2, Crawshaw, curiously mkd., fine head, thick neck, deep front, richly mealed, nice col. and cond., well placed; 3, Turner, extra good qual., fine head and subs. of body, grand size, stylish, and well proportioned; 4, sp, Crawford, rare head and qual. of feather, fine front, good size and shape, shade unsteady, still well placed in good company; 5, Martin; 6, Calderwood; 7, Colley. YELL. HEN (12): 1, sp, Maxwell, rare size and subs. for a yell., fine head and neck, deep front, clean cut away, nice flights, qual., col., and cond.; 2, 3, Crawshaw, lovely pair, 2 behind size only, very fine qual., right shape, neat flights and tail, 3 better col., good head, neck, and qual., scarcely so thick-set; 4, Cairns, tkd., good shape, size, and qual., fine short flights; 5, Colley; 6, Turner; 7, Aitchison. BUFF (14): 1, Wake, claimed, medium size, fine cobby shape, extra good col. and qual. for a hen, nice head and neck; 2, Gallacher, better size and subs., fine qual. and shape, grand head and neck, trifle rough behind; 3, Taylor, rare head and neck, grand qual. of feather, fine cond. and style, little more front; 4, Cairns, known face, grand size and shape, good qual., col., and cond., as good as any in front; 5, Paling; 6, Turner; 7, Melville. YELL. VARIEG. (4): 1, Grewar, fine size, col., and qual., rare round head, fine deep front, typical; 2, Taylor, extra good qual., fine cobby shaped body, well over perch, neat flights and tail; 3, Hutchison, fine head, size, and qual., nice short flights; 4, Hirst, good size, col., and cond. BUFF (6): 1, Murray, grand size and subs., good qual., col., and cond., bit weak in head; 2, McLeod, better head, fine thick neck, good size and qual., could do with more subs.; 3, no name, fine head, neck, and qual., good size, could be better staged; 4, Holliday, grizzled tail, grand qual., col., and cond., well staged; 5, Taylor; 6, Calderwood. NON-FED CK. (6): 1, 5, Grewar, 1 well known, great size, rare head, neck, and front, good qual., col., and cond., cl. yell., wins; 2, Wood, cl. buff, extra good qual., fine head and neck, good size, col., and cond.; 3, Naismith, heavily var. buff, grand size and qual., bit lumpy in front; 4, Barron, almost gr., grand stamp, fine head, neck, and chest, trifle rough in feather, still we liked for 3; 6, Stewart. HEN (6): 1, sp, Martin, another well-known face, grand hen, typical in every way, rare head and neck, fine deep front, clean cut away, neat flights and tail, lovely qual., col., and cond., much admired, cl. buff; 2, Stewart, fine size and type, good flights and tail, rare head, neck, and qual.; 3, Jeffrey, cl. yell., good size and qual., fine short flights, col., and con., well placed; 4, Grewar, buff var., good size and qual., bit weak in head; 5, Naismith; 6, Barron. UNFLIG. CK. (14): 1, 5, Crawshaw, 1 cl. yell., magnificent bird, rare round head, thick neck, fine thick-set cobby body, grand short feather, of lovely qual., good size and col., staged to win, wonderful cond., we made best Plainhead in show, 5 cl. buff, grand head, size, qual., and col., shade long in body for Scotland; 2, P. Murray, buff var., rare size, qual., col., and cond., fine deep chest, nicely frosted, crosses wings at times, otherwise good; 3, Toote, yell. var., rich qual., col., and cond., good size, head, neck, and front, better wing carr.; 4, Colley, cl. yell., fine size and shape, excellent qual., col., and cond., well placed in best of company; 6, Melville; 7, Jeffrey. HEN (15): 1, 5, Martin, 1 cl. yell., well up in size, fine short feather, of excellent qual., rare subs. of body, grand head, neck, and cond., staged to win; 2, Taylor, excellent qual., fine head and neck, grand size and cond., rare short flights and tail; 3, Toote, nov. sp., cl. yell., rare size, fine, short, thick-set body, good flights, trifle coarse in feather; 4, Hutchison, cl. yell., Queen's Park and Wishaw winner, grand size, fine head and neck, rare subs. of body, scarcely so nice qual.; 6, Colley; 7, Gray. YOUNG BIRDS CONFINED TO S.P.C. UNFLIG. CL. YELL. CK. (7): 1, McLeod, cl. yell., fine size, head, neck, and front, hot col., good qual., faulty wings, wins S.P.C. medal best rung bird; 2, sp, Simpson, tkd., good size and subs. of body, fine short flights and tail, paler in col., lovely qual. and cond.; 3, sp, Grewar, tkd., fine cobby shape, grand qual. and col., crosses at times; 4, Adamson, cl. yell., rare size and shape, fine head, neck, and front, coarse in feather; 5, Maxwell; 6, Aitchison; 7, Naismith. BUFF (8): 1, McLeod, sp., runner-up to medal, rare qual. and col., fine short cobby body, grand flights and tail, finely mealed, medium size, good cond.; 2, Grewar, more size, scarcely so rich qual. and col., fine head, neck, and front, fine style and cond., we liked; 3, Holliday, good size, excellent qual., col., and cond., behind subs. only, well placed; 4, Cairns, tkd., fine qual., col., and cond., Queen's Park winner; 5, Maxwell; 6, Holliday; 7, Smith. YELL. VARIEG. CK. (6): 1, Grewar, grand head, neck, and front, rich qual. and col., fine short flights and tail, good size and cond.; 2, Maxwell, very rich col., lovely qual., soft when we went round; 3, Hutchison, Queen's Park and Wishaw winner, rare head and neck, good size and col., fine flights, carried well, scarcely so good in qual.; 4, Barron, neck mkd., fine size and col., bit coarse in feather; 5, Simpson; 6, Aitchison. BUFF (4): 1, 4, Barron, 1 rare head, neck, and subs., finely mealed, neat flights and tail, A1 col. and cond., 4 almost gr., good size and subs., weak in head; 2, Taylor, almost gr., lovely qual. and col., grand head, thick neck, well up in size, fine style and cond.; 3, Simpson, neck mkd., fine head and subs., good col. CL. YELL. HEN (2): 1, sp, Chalmers, Wishaw winner, grand size, rare head, fine short cobby body, well over perch, neatly cut away behind, some feathers missing at neck; 2, Naismith, shade weaker in head, good size, fine subs. of body, fine col. and cond. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Maxwell, 1 grizzled head, fine size, shape, and cond., excellent qual., rare cobby body, good flights; 3, grand qual. and cond., fails subs.; 2, Hutchison, close up, typical tkd., fine short flights and tail, good qual.; 4, Holliday; 5, Taylor. VARIEG. YELL. HEN (4): 1, sp, medal best hen, Simpson, eyes, wings, and rump mkd., rare stamp, short cobby body, rare head, neck, and chest, rich qual. and col., wins; 2, 4, Maxwell, 2 heavily var., good head, neck, and qual., scarcely the subs. of winner, 4 good size and qual., shade longer in body; 3, Aitchison, grizzled, tail, fine subs., good size, bit coarse in feather. BUFF (6): 1, Grewar, almost gr., thumper for size and subs., grand head, neck, and chest, fine flights, easy win; 2, Aitchison, behind in size and subs., fine qual. and col.; 3, Martin, head and saddle mkd., good size and subs., good qual., tight in feather, fine flights, we liked for 2; 4, sp, 6, Cairns; 5, Maxwell. YORKS. YELL. CK. (8): 1, sp, Heggie, grand length and pos., well up on leg, hot col., good qual., well braced; 2, Dykes, fine, slim type, excellent qual., col., and pos., fine length of wing, but crosses at time; 3, Jeffrey, Rothesay winner, grand length, pos., and col., good qual., shade stouter build; 4, Hirst, rare length, well braced wings, good build; 5, Trowers; 6, Cochrane; 7, Park. BUFF CK. (7): 1, 5, Hirst, 1 grand length, very fine qual., col., and cond., well up on leg, good length of wing, carried well; 2, Cochrane, not the length of winner, good qual. and coud., fine round body; 3, 4, Heggie, 3 better length, good qual. of feather, shade rough at neck, 4, sp, we liked, good length, very fine qual. and cond.; 6, Dykes; 7, Priest. VARIEG. CK. (6): 1, 3, Heggie, 1 sp, hot col., lovely qual., long and finely drawn, well up on leg, erect pos., and well braced yell., 3 buff, rare length, good style and pos., excellent qual., tight in feather; 2, Dykes, neck and wing mkd. yell., lovely qual., fine round body, grand length, well braced flights, stylish; 4, Towers, cinn. mkd. yell., fine length, qual., and col., shade thicker; 5, Gibb; 6, Park. CL. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Cochrane, perfect feather, col., and qual., fine slim type, grand flights; 2, Heggie, very slim and stylish, few feathers missing; 3, Park, slim type, good qual. and col. BUFF (6): 1, 2, 4, Heggie, good length, fine rounded body, grand style, pos., qual., and col., 2 fine slim build, nice smooth front, well up on leg, crosses at times; 3, Dykes, good qual., type, and pos.; 5, MacCready; 6, Park. VARIEG. HEN (8): 1, Towers, grand length, finely tapered, well rounded body, capital qual. and col., well braced flights and tail, rare style and pos., almost even cinn. mkd., wins; 2, 6, Heggie, 2 wing and neck mkd., fine length, style, and pos., fails qual. of feather; 3, Dykes, var. yell., capital length, qual., and col., well tapered, rare wings, well braced, we liked for 2; 4, Gibb, var. buff, fine length, style, and pos., frilled on front; 5, Tansey; 7, Sinclair. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Towers, wing mkd., yell., great length, capital qual. and col., boxy feather, great length, capital qual. and col., boxy feather, fine round body, best of wings and tail, good one; 2, Gunning, cl. yell., fine slim, type, well drawn, well up on leg, nice style and pos., beaten qual.; 3, 4, Heggie, 3 wing mkd. yell., better qual., good length, well up on leg, grand flights, we liked for 2, 4 fine length, col., and qual., rough in front, cl. yell.; 5, sp, Dykes; 6, Dunn; 7, Jeffrey; good class. BUFF (10): 1, 2, sp, 7, Martin, grand length, nicely rounded, fine slim type, well drawn, lovely qual. and col., well braced flights and tail, rough when taking notes; 2, Dykes, var. buff, equal length and qual., scarcely so well braced wings, fine pos., swagger, and cond.; 3, McLellan, wing mkd., capital length, very slim type, neat head, lovely col. and cond., shade coarse in feather; 4, Towers, cinn. mkd., medium length, very tight feather, of good qual.; 5, Heggie; 6, Aitkenhead. HEN, A.V. (17), 1, Dykes, cl. yell., excellent qual. and col., rare length, finely drawn, well rounded body, good pos., style, and cond.; 2, Towers, buff var., capital length, lovely qual., fine clean front, very typical and well braced wings and tail; 3, 6, Heggie, 3, sp, medal, cl. buff, lovely qual., fine round body, well up on leg, nice length; 4, MacCready, cl. yell., grand length, well tapered, neat wings and tail, fine qual. and col.; 5, Wood; 7, Aitkenhead.

LINDLEY AND DISTRICT F.A.

In connection with show held in Mechanics' Hall, Dec. 19, a class was provided for cage birds. We do not see why this section should not be well supported, as we understand there are a few fanciers about. The show on the whole was a great success. Mr. Fred Archer (Oakes) judged, and his awards were well received. A.V. CANARY: 1, 2, and open sp., Cotton, cl. yell. Yorks. cock, beautiful col., correct shape, greatly admired; 2nd, cl. buff cock, tight as a Java, cond. all one could wish; 3, Shanks, Cl. Buff, grand bird, but spoilt with washing; vhc, c, and members' sp., Moore, two very nice Yorks., on small side; c, Daley.

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BRANDON COLLIERY

Second annual show of Brandon Colliery C.B.S. Jan. 23, in the Miner's Hall, a room with plenty of size, nice light, and entire freedom from draughts. Entries totalled about 360—less than such an enterprising society deserves. No show could be more admirably conducted. Norwich were the pick, but Yorks. were also good, and some grand birds were staged. In Borders quality was well to the fore, and in Crests and C.B. several well-known winners again met. British made a fine display, and many of the leading winners were staged. Dr. Wilson had a grand team out, and his winning Bullie found many admirers. In For., Mr. T. Almond's Rainbow Bunting proved a great attraction. The society is grandly favoured in the matter of officials, with the lady patron, Mrs. Burrell, at the head. The president is Mr. James Wilkinson, while the list of vice-presidents contains the names of no less than seventeen well-known local gentlemen. Chairman, Mr. W. Basey, is a grand worker, keen and enthusiastic. Mr. A. Robson, treas., undertook the duties of show manager, and his work was well carried out. The secretarial work was again in the hands of Mr. Geo. Reed, and everything passed off without the slightest hitch. The whole of the members are keen and anxious to make the show one of the best in the North, and if hard work counts for anything they should succeed in doing so. Judges were Mr. T. Dixon (Bedlington) Canaries, and Mr. F. Marwood (Eaglescliffe) the remainder.

NOR. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 2, Thomas, leader cl., fine size, grand shape, deep full chest, grand head and neck, lovely col., grand qual., 2 plenty of subs., nice shape, good head and neck, grand col. and qual.; 3, hc, McKay, good one for type, short and cobby, nice head, lovely col., grand feather; 4, Holden; vhc, Morrison. BUFF (17): 1, Matthewson, tkd. on neck, nice size, grand shape, good bold head, nice col., lovely qual., short, grandly carried wings and tail, clean cut behind; 2, Lawson, better col., nice head and neck, grand qual., tight as a drum, perfectly carried wings and tail; 3, Brown, massive build, but rather longer in barrel, and not so well over perch, rare bold head, lovely col. and qual., close feather, well carried wings and tail; 4, Peirson; vhc, Russell and Teasdale; hc, H. Briggs. HEN (14): 1, 2, Thomas, 1 cl. buff, nice size, fine shape, nice col., lovely qual., beautifully mealed, neat head and neck, good wings and tail, 2 cl. yell., topper for size and shape, red-hot col., rare broad head, lovely qual.; 3, Brown, cl. buff, not the subs., but nice shape, short and cobby, good neck and chest, nice col., good wings and tail; 4, Mays and Allison; vhc, Hoadley; hc, Callaway. 1914 (12): 1, 3, Callaway, 1 cl. buff, grand size and shape, short and cobby, good head, neck and chest, lovely col. and qual., grandly cut away, well carried wings and tail, 3 cl. yell., bit fine in build, yet nice size and shape, hot col., fine qual., gets wings over a bit; 2, Russell and Teasdale, cl. yell., good size and shape, neat head and neck, red-hot col., grand qual., short well carried wings and tail; 4, Brown; vhc, hc, Morrison. NOV. (15): 1, Brown, grand size, true type, short and thick-set, nice chest, good head and neck, hot col., grandly feathered, clean cut away; 2, vhc, Lines, rare size and shape, nice chest and back, neat head, good col. and qual., bit open in breast feather; 3, Elliott, nice size, bit slimmer in body, hot col., grand qual., neat head; 4, Harkus; hc, Reynolds. YORKS. CK. (15): 1, Dykes, cl. yell., nice length, well up on good legs, slim and finely drawn, well rounded body, neat head, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, 4, Snead, not the col., but otherwise not much to choose, nice length and pos., grand wing carr.; 3, Carlisle, variegated, not so tight in feather, nice length, well up, neat head, grandly braced wings and tail; vhc, Pyman; hc, Tolley. HEN (8): 1, Carlisle, cl. yell., fine length, straight up, well rounded shoulders, slim and finely drawn, nice col. and qual., neat head, well braced wings and tail; 2, Thomas, cl. buff, fine length, slim and beautifully drawn, neat narrow shoulders, straight as a rush, good col., lovely wings and tail; 3, vhc, Pyman, cl. yell., nice length and pos., neat head, good col. and qual., well carried wings and tail; 4, Dykes; hc, Naylor. 1914 (12): 1, vhc, Dykes, cl. yell., fine length, straight as a rush, slim and finely drawn, well rounded shoulders, grand col. and qual., beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, hc, Pyman, cl. buff, good length, well up on grand legs, nice head, good col., slim and well drawn at waist, nice wing carr., lovely feather and finish; 3, Snead, cl. yell., better col. even than 1, but not so rich in qual., nice length and pos., neat head, well braced wings and tail; 4, Thomas. BORD. CK. (7): 1, 3, Watson, cl. yell., lovely shape, grandly rounded body, beautifully balanced, grand col., boxy feather, sweet head, beautifully carried wings and tail, 3 cl. buff, good for shape, neat head and neck, lovely col. and qual., nice wing carr.; 2, Johnston, lovely buff, grand shape, more round on back, nicely rounded head, grand col., feather of finest qual.; 4, Walker; vhc, Peel; hc, Carr. HEN (8): 1, 2, Watson, leader cl. yell., nice shape, well rounded breast, neat head and neck, lovely col. and qual., well carried wings and tail, clear cut, 2 buff, fine shape, well rounded, nice col., grand texture of feather, neat round head, well braced wings and tail; 3, 4, Walker, leader not quite the grand shape of 2nd, yet a nice one, nice col. and qual., neat head, nicely carried wings and tail. GREEN (7): 1, 2, Johnstone, yell. leading, topper all over, grand shape, lovely col., sound and pure in tone, and level all through, neat head, well cleaned out, beautifully braced wings and tail, 2 buff, fine shape, lovely col., pure and rich in tone, nicely pencilled, neat head, grand wings and tail; 3, vhc, Greenwell, yell., fine shape, rich col., nicely rounded head, good wings and tail; 4, Blakey. HEN (6): 1, Blakey, yell., rare shape, rich level col., neat pencilling, well rounded body, lovely wings and tail; 2, Johnston, buff, gem for shape and style, grandly rounded, lovely col., pure and rich in tone, grand pencilling, sweet head, grand wings and tail; 3, Charlton, yell., nice shape, well balanced, nice col., sweet head, nice carr. and finish; 4, vhc, Greenwell. BORD. NOV. (12): 1, Heslop, cl. yell., nice shape, lovely col. and qual., sweet head, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Harkus, yell. cinn., fine shape, nice col., level all through, neat head, nicely braced wings and tail; 3, Carr, better shape even than winners, good col. and finish, neat head, well rounded body, not so perfect in wing carr.; 4, Davison; vhc, Toppin; hc, Robson. CREST (8): 1, 2, Dobson, wing mkd. D.C. leading, lovely shape, grand radiation and droop, good frontal, lovely centre and finish, 2 variegs., bigger spread than leader, nice shape, good droop and radiation, dense in feather, not quite so neat in centre; 3, J. Taylor, foul tail Gr., not so large in crest, but very neat and densely feathered, grand shape, neat centre and finish; 4, Warnock; vhc, hc, Jeffries. C.B. (9): 1, 3, Dobson, leader cl., grand size, rare skull, grand entrance and width, nice rise, abundance of feather, 3 heavy variegs., any amount of size, nice head, grandly lashed, not the same grand flow of feather on top; 2, vhc, J. Taylor, variegs., rare size, grand skull, nice rise and width, grandly lashed; 4, Jeffries; hc, Hanson and Scorer. A.O.V. (7): 1, 3, Reid, silver cl. cap Liz leading, good size and shape, rich col., good spangle and cap, 3 cl. cap Gold, nice bold spangle, nice col. and cap; 2, Mason, yell. cinn., good shape and size, rich col. and qual., nicely burnished; 4, Priest. MULE OR HYB. (13): 1, 4, Parlett, leader celebrated "White Rose," not looking quite so fine as usual, but a good winner; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Dr. Wilson, Dark Canary-Buffie medium size, fine shape, lovely col. and cond., 3 fine Linnet Bullie, nice size, good shape, rich col. and feather, lovely cond. SISKIN, ETC. (1): 1, 4, Dr. Wilson, Twit, nice size and shape, good col., rich in tone, well pencilled, clear and distinct, lovely feather and cond.; 2, vhc, hc, Carr, Siskin, Shildon and Sunderland winner, good size, grand col., lovely cap, well laced flanks, lovely feather and cond.; 3, Parlett, Twite, nice size, grand col., very rich and level in tone, grandly pencilled, nice wings, looked a bit soft when we were taking our notes. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (6): 1, Dr. Wilson, well known winning Bullie, topper all over, needs no comment; 2, Almond, lovely Goldie, beauty for blaze, grandly cut, carried well under, and very rich and pure in tone, beautifully tanned, lovely feather and cond.; 3, Dr. Wilson, Goldie, bit bigger in body than 2, nice rich col., blaze, but not carried so far under, and not quite so richly tanned, good wings, lovely cond.; other awards not marked in catalogue. GREENF. (7): 1, hc, Parlett, nice size, lovely shape, short and thick set, nice head, rich col., and feather of finest qual., grand cond., 2, Rutherford, not so cobby, yet a nice one, good col. and qual., nice head, grand cond.; 3, Wilford and Adams, grand size and shape, thick set, good head and neck, nice col. and qual., looked a bit soft; 4, Carr; vhc, Taylor. LINNET, HEM. (8): 1, Dr. Wilson, grand size and shape, beauty for pencilling, good head, nice sound col., lovely cond.; 2, Forster, grand shape, heavily pencilled, but not so distinct, nice col., neat head, good cond.; 3, 4, Simpson, fine size, lovely shape, grandly pencilled, nice col.; vhc, Carr; hc, Forster. F.M. (10): 1, Stothard, medium size, grand shape, nice col. and pencilling, very profuse, fine cond., steady as a rock; 2, Simpson, fine size, grand shape, beautifully pencilled, more distinct in moonings, beaten in richness of col., lovely cond.; 3, Forster, fine size, good shape, nice col., grandly mkd., but not so distinct, fine cond. and feather; 4, Wilford and Adams; vhc, Carr; hc, Swinburn and Crawford; No. 7, Parlett, unnoticed, a grand Linnet, we thought hardly dealt with. A.O. HARDBILL (8): 1, Dr. Wilson, Meadow Bunting, lovely cond., nice head markings, lovely col., in the pink; 2, Hooper, Yellowhammer, fine size, good shape, rich col., good V marks, lovely feather and cond.; 3, Forster, Hawfinch, nice size and shape, lovely col., good head, fine wings, grand feather and cond.; 4, Jamieson and Johnson; vhc, Waters; hc, Wilford and Adams. SOFTBILL (1): 1, Davison, grand Waxwing, Gateshead and Sunderland winner, lovely condition and feather. FOR., SMALL (5): 1, 2, 4, Almond, fine team, Rainbow Bunting leading, brilliantly coloured, most perfect cond., 2 Cordon Bleus, nice col. and feather; 3, Jameson and Johnson, Parson Finch, in good col. and feather; vhc, Simpson. LARGE (4): 1, Rutherford; 2, Jamieson and Johnson; 3, Wright; 4, Briggs. MEMB., YORKS. CK. (3): 1, 2, Tolley; 3, Hunter. 1914 (4): 1, Hunter; 2, Tolley; 3, 4, Edwards. NOR. CK. (10): 1, Briggs; 2, Bailes and Thompson; 3, hc, Hunter; 4, Bailes and Thompson; vhc, MacGregor. HEN (13): 1, 2, vhc, Bailes and Thompson; 3, Basey; 4, hc, Briggs. 1914 (12): 1, vhc, Bailes and Thompson; 2, Briggs; 3, hc, Robson; 4, Watson. BORD. CK. (7): 1, Bailes and Thompson; 2, Briggs; 3, Edwards; 4, hc, Hunter; vhc, Robson. HEN (5): 1, Edwards; 2, Hunter; 3, Bailes and Thompson; 4, Robson; vhc, Watson. A.O.V. (5): 1, 4, Hunter; 2, Watson; 3, vhc, MacGregor. LINNET (4): 1, 3, Reed; 2, 4, Briggs. A.O. HARDBILL (9): 1, hc, MacGregor; 2, Bailes and Thompson; 3, Briggs; 4, MacGregor; vhc, Reed. SOFT- (4): 1, 2, Bailes and Thompson; 3, 4, Reed.

BORDER CITY (Carlisle) O.S.

The New Year's Show at Carlisle proved one of the finest seen in the city, not having had an open show this season the local fanciers sent their birds in goodly numbers. Borders were again the feature, averaging over 16 per class, birds standing without tickets which would be well up at other shows. Norwich and Yorkshires were not so strong, but a high standard was kept up. A dozen hybrids graced the bench, while the British and Foreign were very attractive. The judges were Messrs. Thompson, Wigton; T. J. Robson, and T. Holmes, Carlisle. Owing to the illness of Mr. Thompson, Mr. Robson had the arduous task of judging the whole of the Canaries, which he did with great credit, giving the utmost satisfaction. The secretarial duties were again carried out by Mr. J. C. Bell, who was well backed up by the committee.

LORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (18): 1, Pearson; 2, Watson; 3, Morgan; 4, Watt. HEN (17): 1, Higgins; 2, Gill; 3, Thomlinson; 4, Pennington. BUFF CK. (21): 1, Thomlinson; 2, Gill; 3, Watt; 4, Johnstone. HEN (17): 1, Thomlinson; 2, Watt; 3, Gill; 4, Watson. EVEN, ETC., YELL. (14): 1, Nicholson; 2, Pearson; 3, 4, Pennington. BUFF (14): 1, Watt; 2, Pennington; 3, Elliott; 4, Hyslop. GR. OR CINN. (14): 1, Nicholson; 2, Higgins; 3, Carrick; 4, Geddes. PAIRS (14): 1, Watson; 2, Hodgson; 3, 4, Higgins. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, 4, Lawson; 2, 3, Bell. BUFF (8): 1, Bell; 2, Lawson; 3, Lowry; 4, White. HEN (9): 1, 2, Lawson; 3, 4, Robson. VARIEG. YELL. (5): 1, Lawson; 2, White; 3, Bell; 4, Sumpton Bros. BUFF (6): 1, 3 Lawson; 2, Bell; 4, Lockhart. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Lawson; 2, Lowry; 3, 4, Bell. YORKS., YELL. CK. (6): 1, Bradley; 2, Brown; 3, Stewart; 4, Bell. BUFF (8): 1, Bradley; 2, Stewart; 3, 4, Richardson. HEN (9): 1, 2, Stewart; 3, Bradley; 4, Bell. UNFLIG. (10): 1, 2, Stewart; 3, Bradley; 4 Pearson. HYB. (12): 1, Drabble; 2, Palfrey; 3, Lockhart; 4, Bebbington and McWilliams. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (15): 1, Well; 2, Graham; 3, Howe; 4, Palfrey. LINNET OR TWITE (14): 1, Sumpton Bros.; 2, Gardiner; 3, Bell; 4, Watson. REDPOLL OR SISKIN (8): 1, Bebbington and McWilliams; 2, Palfrey; 3, Drabble; 4, Davidson. CHAFFINCH or BRAMBLEF. (6): 1, Hodgson; 2, 3, Bebbington and McWilliams; 4, Palfrey. A.O. SPECIATER (7): 1, Blakeley; 2, 4, Bebbington and McWilliams; 3, Graham. FOR., LARGE: 1, 3, 4, Bell; 2, Bebbington and McWilliams. SMALL (5): 1, Bebbington and McWilliams; 2, Gibbons; 3, Bell; 4, Davidson. Cup for best member's Bord., R. Thomlinson; B.F.C.C. medal, open, J. Nicholson; novice, R. Gill; J. C. Bell.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Honley F.S. (Yorks.). Dining Hall, Rock Mills, Brockholes. Judge, J. Moorhouse; 6 open York., classes, limit £6 Cs. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Feb. 9 to A. T. Hinchliffe and Son, Rock Mills, Brockholes, near Huddersfield.

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WIMBLEDON.

Annual show of the Wimbledon C.B.S., Queen's Hall, Wimbledon, Jan. 19. The entry was not quite up to expectations, about 200 birds being staged. Yorks. headed the list, and made quite an imposing display; there were also a few good Norwich and Borders, and some excellent Hybrids and British. The Saunders cup for best unflighted Norwich was won by Mr. Birch, with a high-coloured yellow, and sp. best unflighted Yorks. by Messrs. Owen and Son, with a nice yellow. Mr. W. J. Heath won sp. for best Yorks., with his buff hen, a lovely specimen that was much admired. The Border cup was secured by Mr. H. W. Hobden. The birds were tastefully arranged, and Mr. Griffiths, the secretary, had everything in perfect order; he was ably assisted by Mrs. Griffiths, Mrs. Owen, Messrs. Owen, Stoakley, and H. Smith. Mr. J. Robson judged.

NOR. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Hutton, fine bold bird, good head, nice full body, capital wings. BUFF: 1, 2, Wade, nice short bird, very cobby, full head and neck, good back and wings, 2, not so good in head, but capital type and qual. HEN: 1, Hutton, charming yell., very full head and neck, well filled, good qual. feather; 2, Wade, scarcely so good in head, but typical, nice short wings. UNFLIG. YELL: 1, Wade, very cobby and short, neat head and wings, lovely cond.; 2, Hutton, bigger, bolder bird, grand head and depth of body, good wings. BUFF: 1, Hutton, short, nicely rounded, grand full head, perfect wings, lovely qual. YORKS., YELL. CK.: 1, Clarke, wonderful length and style, smart wings, good cond.; 2, he, Smith, hardly so good in head, grand length, nice pos.; 3, Heath, well known, not looking his best to-day; vhc, Harris; c, Whiting. BUFF: 1, Clark, nice length and type, good wing carr.; 2, he, Smith, leader Cinn. mkd., of fine qual., very typical; 3, Miss Wright, hardly the length of winner, but still a good one, nice qual. feather; vhc, Harris; c, Whiting. HEN: 1, 2, Heath, 1, a gem, grand length and type, beautifully rounded and balanced, perfect head and wings, boxy feather, 2, nice yell., not so good in head, but nice style and type; 3, Miss Wright, typical and smart, shade weak on wing, clean cut; vhc, he, Clarke; c, Smith. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, c, Owen and Son, capital length and style, good shoulders and back, nice qual. feather; 2, Heath, not the length of body, neat head and wings, capital col.; 3, he, Clarke, good one, close up, capital shoulders, good wings, A1 pos.; vhc, Whiting. BUFF: 1, Heath, lovely type and style, shade weak in head, but grand qual.; 2, c, Smith, Grizzle cap, fine length, nicely rounded, must have pressed; 3, vhc, Clarke, fine length, little untidy; he, Whiting. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Marriott, beautifully rounded smart wings, A1 cond.; 2, 3, Pegg, two nice birds, leader slim type and smart, good wings, 3, good one, very close up, nice qual.; vhc, Rev. Soames. BUFF: 1, vhc, Pegg, two good ones, typical, neat heads, good wings, nice pos. and style, well put down; 2, c, Marriott, smart, typical, and stylish, nicely balanced, boxy feather; 3, Owen and Son, big one, bit pale in col., but nice type and style, good stock bird; vhc, Rev. Soames. HEN: 1, 2, c, Marriott, charming yell., typical and well-balanced, good wings, nice style, 2, head tkd. buff, typical and smart, neat head, good pos.; 3, Pegg, slim yell., smart, nice movement and style good wings, A1 qual.; vhc, Owen and Son; he, Rev. Soames. GREENS, ETC.: 1, 3, vhc, Hobden, smart grn., good style, very typical, nicely pencilled, sound col., 3, capital col. and style, well mkd., good qual.; 2, he, c, Rev. Soames, very rich col., hardly so dense in pencilling. NOV., NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Birch, fine bold yell., quite fat enough, but typical, rich col. and nice qual.; 2, var., shade longer in build, good one; 3, Snow, bit long in barrel, nice head and feather; vhc, Randall; he, Hamilton. BUFF: 1, Hamilton, neat, nice subs. and style, good cond.; 2, Randall, shade longer, but neat, capital wings, good qual. HEN: 1, vhc, Hamilton, lovely tkd. yell., wants a tub; 2, Birch, shade longer, very hot col., lovely qual. feather; 3, Snow, neat and short, nice full front, capital wings, stands well. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Birch, wing tkd., hot col., nice qual. feather; 2, Snow, similar build, shade smaller; 3, Hamilton; vhc, Randall. BUFF: 1, Hamilton, cap mkd., nice type of body, shade weak in head, nice qual.; 2, Randall, neat buff, typical, good wings and tail; 3, Snow, nice cond. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Runciman, 1st lovely Cinn. mkd., fine length and style, well up on leg, good wings, bit soiled, 3, similar, cl. yell.; 2, Bailey, long, neat wing carr., good head and wings, sound cond.; vhc, Mrs. Farley. BUFF: 1, Bailey, not a big one, but nice type and style, smart wings; 2, Stevens, bigger, but scarcely so cleanly cut, nice for stock. HEN: 1, 3, Bailey, smart yell., good qual., 3, typical buff; 2, vhc, Mrs. Farley, charming buff, capital length and style, good wings, lovely qual. feather, will make a good one; he, Stevens; c, Runciman. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Bailey, bit pale in col., but capital type and style, smart wings, A1 cond., 2, nice length, smart wings; 3, good type, somewhat shorter; vhc, Mrs. Farley; he, Rogers; c, Runciman. BUFF: 1, no name, good one, fine length and style, well up on legs, good wings; 2, Mrs. Farley, lovely Cinn.-mkd., capital length, good wings, A1 qual.; 3, Runchman, smart, shade shorter, but very typical; vhc, Bailey; he, Stevens; c, Mrs. Griffiths. GREENS: 1, 2, Simmonds, both typical, good length. HYB.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Lamb, well-known team, all in the best possible cond.; he, Hobden; c, Hutton. GOLDF.: 1, 2, Marriott, two smart birds, of nice size, neat well formed blaze, good wings and tanning, leader a shade the brighter in tan; 3, Simmonds, nice full blaze, well tanned and buttoned, good cond.; vhc, Snow; he, Cooper; c, Rogers.

WOMBWELL B.F.S.

Annual Show, Wesleyan Schoolroom, Nov. 14; 72 birds were judged by Mr. W. Brotherton, Rotherham, whose awards were well received. The profits from the show were in aid of the Belgian Refugees' fund at Wombwell. Mr. A. H. Waters won sp, most points in Norwich, C. Humphreys Yorks and Brit., also cup and sp. most points in show. In the evening the show was visited by the refugees who appeared pleased at the invitation extended to them by the members.

YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Evans; 2, vhc, Humphreys; 3, Malpass. BUFF: 1, vhc, Malpass; 2, 3, he, Humphreys. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, he, Humphreys; 2, c, Malpass; vhc, Evans. BUFF: 1, 2, Malpass; 3, vhc, Humphreys; he, Evans. YELL. CK., UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Evans; vhc, he, Humphreys. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Humphreys; 3, he, c, Malpass. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, 2 Waters. BUFF: 1, 2, Waters; 3, Hinchcliffe; vhc, Malpass. YELL. HEN: 1, Malpass; 2, 3, vhc, Waters. BUFF: 1, vhc, Hinchcliffe; 2, 3, Waters. YELL. CK., UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Waters; 3, vhc, Hinchcliffe. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Waters; 3, Hinchcliffe. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Dean; 2, 3, Humphreys. GOLDF., ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Humphreys. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, Humphreys. SOFTBILL: 1 Dean. MULE OR HYB.: 1, vhc, Waters; 2, 3, he, Dean; c, Humphreys.—J. W. Dean, Sec.

A DUTCH CAGE BIRD SHOW.

The War Seriously Affects the Entry.

The show of the Nederlandsche Vereeniging "Avicultura" in the Zoological Gardens at The Hague, Jan. 16 and 17, fell far short of last year in the matter of entries, the falling off being more than fifty per cent. Fortunately for the committee the gate was considerably better, and in only two days resulted in better returns than the three of former years, so it is quite possible the show in the future may be restricted to two days, as it means a lessening of expense. German Canaries opened the schedule, but the only exhibitors were Messrs. J. G. Bloys van Treslong, J. van den Borden, D. W. Molhuysen, and Mrs. J. de Bordes, and the latter was successful in winning the special for the best Cinnamon with a beautiful little bird. Special for the best clear went to Mr. Bloys van Treslong, who also took that for the marked birds with a very nice grizzle crested yellow. Mr. R. A. Wilson, who won two specials for the best collection of English Canaries, took the Lancashire special with a good yellow plainhead, a bird of nice shape and length. His winner of the Norwich special was a very typical, rich coloured yellow. He also won the medals for best Yorks. and best Cinn., the former with a beautiful silky feathered buff, and the latter with a smart bird of Yorkshire type. In Borders he put down a big team of capital shape and feather, and secured all the prizes except one, which fell to Mr. D. W. Molhuysen. Mr. H. F. Brand won with a lovely Waxwing in the Insectivorous Inlandsche class, and his collection of Bullfinches, Goldfinches, Chaffinches, and Yellow Buntings, also scored a first. Mr. W. J. M. de Bas staged a splendid team of Albinos and Pieds, including Cinnamon and White Starlings, Pied and White Blackbirds, and Pied Linnets, and his collection of foreign birds was also deeply interesting. The judges of this section of the show were Messrs. C. L. W. Noorduyn and F. E. Blaauw.

The section for German Singing Canaries was a wonderful success, the six classes drawing 240 entries. In single birds, 39 entries, 1st was won by Mr. U. G. Heinecke with a bird that was said to be a most wonderful performer; 2, H. Van Nimwegen; 3, R. M. de Gier. Class II. (two birds competing) had fifty-six entries. The winners were Messrs. J. Van Buul, Adv. Horsten, and J. F. Van den Sande. Class III., quartets (52): 1, 2, W. K. de Groth; 3, L. Teurlings; 4, W. C. Kleyn. Class IV., also quartets, had thirty-two entries, the winners being J. Westy, J. C. Lauerman, J. B. Van Geffen, and Miss E. P. Rykbosch. Class V., pairs, 46 entries: 1, 2, J. Van Buul; 3, H. Van Nimwegen. Class VI. had fifteen entries, with Messrs. Schaafsma, W. Spalt, and H. Van der Hurh as winners. The judges of the singing contest were Messrs. H. Bartels and J. Schoonwater as one pair, and C. Orth and J. Van den Schaaf as the other. The birds were nicely arranged in a beautifully warmed and decorated room, and they presented a very pretty appearance amidst the handsome foliage plants. All the arrangements were excellently carried out, and the executive are to be congratulated upon the success which attended their efforts in running the show in such troublous times. The Dutch fanciers are feeling the strain of the war very much. Many of them are with the army, which has been mobilised since war broke out, and others are feeling the pinch of lack of work and high prices of the necessaries of life.

GREEN CANARY ASSN.

Annual club show, Liverpool, Jan. 16, some 300 entries being staged. This practically decided the competition in all sections, although the club has given its patronage to the Welsh National at Cardiff, at which we trust to see the Green fanciers supporting freely. The Yorks. Green champion cup was won by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe; this being the second time, it becomes his own property. The Norwich and Border cups will be decided at Cardiff. The coveted President's prize for best Green Canary was won by Mr. J. Johnston with his yellow Green Border, the second time that a Border has beaten the Yorks. and Norwich Novice cup was won by Mr. W. J. Collier, his team of Borders being practically unbeatable this season. We were pleased to see the president and his wife (Mr. and Mrs. F. Handley) looking after the interests of the exhibits. Mrs. Handley saw that all birds had seed and water. The room was nicely decorated with plants and flowers supplied free by the Sterling Seed Co. Railway birds all left before 5 p.m. to reach home in good time. The judges, R. E. Hellwell (Halifax), and Tom Harrison (Altrincham), got through their work in good time. Specials and prizes were up by 1.15.

YORKS. GR. CUP CLASSES, SELF YELL.: 1, c, Metcalfe; 2, McDermott; 3, Jones; vhc, Steinart; he, Handley. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Handley; 3, Metcalfe; vhc, Jones; he, Jones; c, Rothwell. FOUL YELL.: 1, McDermott; 2, Skilling; 3, c, Metcalfe; vhc, sp, Handley; he, Steinart. NOR. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, 3, Handley; 2, Lawson. BUFF: 1, he, Ball; 2, Walker; 3, Bache; vhc, Thornton; c, Handley. FOUL YELL.: 1, vhc, c, Walker; 2, Lawson; 3, Thornton; he, Handley. BUFF: 1, Handley; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Thornton; vhc, Ball; he, Bache; c, Walker. BORD., SELF OR FOUL YELL. CK.: 1, president's prize, Johnston; 2, vhc, Middleton; 3, Montgomery; he, Collier; c, Walker. BUFF: 1, he, Middleton; 2, Johnston; 3, Montgomery; vhc, c, Collier. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Middleton; 2, Montgomery; he, Collier; c, Walker. BUFF: 1, Walker; 2, vhc, he, Middleton; 3, Montgomery; c, Collier. NOV. CUPS, YORKS. GR. YELL. CK.: 1, vhc, Rogers; 2, Steinart; 3, he, Evans; c, Smith. BUFF HEN: 1, vhc, Richardson; 2, Evans; 3, c, Rogers; he, Steinart. YORKS. BUFF CK.: 1, Longmore; 2, Evans. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Evars; 3, Longmore; vhc, Steinart. NOR. GR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Lester; 3, Parsons; vhc, he, Stead; c, Bache. BUFF HEN: 1, vhc, Pugh; 2, he, Lester; 3, Stead; c, Bache. YELL. HEN: 1, Lester; 2, 3, Pugh. BORD. GR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Longmore; 3, he, Ewan; vhc, c, Collier. BUFF HEN: 1, he, Longmore; 2, vhc, Collier; 3, c, Ewan. MEMB. YORKS. GR. YELL. CK.: 1, Jones; 2, Parsons; 3, Metcalfe; vhc, Rawsthorne. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Abbott; 3, Richardson; vhc, Jones; he, Skilling; c, Handley. YELL., 1914: 1, Algie; 2, Rawsthorne; 3, Abbott; vhc, McDermott; he, Steinart; c, Metcalfe. BUFF, 1914: 1, McDermott; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Richardson; vhc, c, Jones; he, Smith. YELL. HEN: 1, McDermott; 2, Richardson; 3, he, Metcalfe; vhc, c, Jones. BUFF: 1, McDermott; 2, Abbott; 3, he, Metcalfe; vhc, Handley. NOR. GR. BUFF CK.: 1, Parson; 2, 3, Pugh. YELL. HEN: 1, Parsons; 2, Lawson. BUFF HEN: 1, Lawson; 2, 3, Brotherton. YORKS., CL., ETC., CHAMP., YELL. CK.: 1, Tom Evans; 2, Rowlands; 3, Rawsthorne; vhc, Rothwell; he, Steinart. BUFF: 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, Rowlands; vhc, Tom Evans; he, Poole. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Rowlands; 2, he, Rothwell; 3, Evans. BUFF: 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, Abbott; vhc, Rowlands; he, c, Evans. YELL., 1914: 1, he, c, Rothwell; 2, vhc, Rowlands; 3, Steinart. BUFF: 1, Rowlands; 2, Abbott; 3, Algie; vhc, Evans; he, Rothwell. GOLDF.: 1, Abbott; 2, Rothwell. LINNET: 1, Abbott; 2, Rothwell. GRLENF.: 1, Middleton; 2, Rothwell. REDPOLL: 1, Abbott; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Handley.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING.

Annual show Nov. 28, Queen's Head Hotel, a nice place for a show, plenty of size, nice light, and comfortable to a degree. Entries came up well, and quality was of a nice standard, Norwich in particular being very good, most of the birds being of correct type, combined with good quality and colour. The popular sec., Mr. R. H. Dixon, had everything well in hand, and carried out his duties with his usual skill and ability, everything passing off without a hitch. The chairman, Mr. Matt Dixon, and the work he does cannot be overestimated. He has under him a grand working committee: Messrs. Wilson, Stables, Ferris, Lawson, Kilner, Fenton, Bisset, Allen, Atkinson and Fenwick, all working hard for the good of the show, and Mr. G. Lynn ably carried out the work of assist. sec. Silver cup for best young bird was won by Mr. J. Appleby with a nice yellow Nor. Mr. Appleby is serving with the colours and his birds were staged by Mrs. Appleby, who was heartily congratulated. The show was well patronised, and we heard was a great success. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

NOR. YELL., 1914 (8): 1, spl., spl. best young bird, Appleby; 2, Wilson; 3, Ferris; vhc, Fenton; he, M. Dixon; c, Stables. BUFF (10): 1, spl., M. Dixon; 2, Wilson; 3, Appleby; vhc, Lawson; he, Fenton; c, Ferris. HEN (12): 1, spl., 3, Wilson; 2, vhc, Lawson; he, Fenton; c, Appleby. CREST (4): 1, spl., 2, 3, Bisset; vhc, Lynn. C.B. (3): 1, spl., 2, Bisset; 3, Lynn. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, spl., Fenton; 2, 3, M. Dixon. BUFF (4): 1, spl., vhc, M. Dixon; 2, Fenton; 3, Allen. HEN (4): 1, spl., Fenton; 2, 3, M. Dixon; vhc, Allen. BORD. (4): 1, spl., vhc, Fenton; ?, Appleby; 3, Stables. HEN (3): 1, spl., Fenton; 2, Lynn; 3, Stables. A.O.V. (3): 1, spl., Kilner; 2, 3, M. Dixon. OLD BIRDS, NOR. YELL. (4): 1, spl., Wilson; 2, Kilner; 3, Fenton; vhc, Atkinson. BUFF (7): 1, spl., vhc, Lawson; 2, 3, Kilner; he, Appleby; c, Atkinson. HEN (9): 1, spl., 2, Lawson; 3, Wilson; vhc, Wilson; he, M. Dixon; c, Atkinson. NAT. COL. (6): 1, spl., 2, Appleby; 3, Lawson; vhc, Stables; he, R. H. Dixon; c, M. Dixon. PAIRS (4): 1, spl., Appleby; 2, R. H. Dixon; 3, Fenton; vhc, Atkinson. CREST (3): 1, spl., 2, 3, Bisset. C.B. (5): 1, spl., 2, vhc, c, Bisset; 3, Lynn; he, R. H. Dixon. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, spl., 3, M. Dixon; 2, Fenton. BUFF (2): 1, spl., 2, M. Dixon. HEN (5): 1, spl., Fenton; 2, vhc, Dixon; 3, Allen; he, Lynn. BORD. (2): 1, spl., Appleby; 2, Fenton; No. 1 Absent. BRIT. (7): 1, spl., vhc, Wilson; 2, Stables; 3, Stables; he, Atkinson; c, Fenton.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.

Annual open contest, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, in the large room at the Joiners' Arms Hotel, an ideal one for the purpose. There was a record entry for the club, 207 birds competing. They came from as far North as Ayrshire and as far South as London, London being very well represented. Mr. Kilshaw, the sec., was here, there and everywhere, superintending the show and, along with some willing helpers after judging, soon had the show open for the public. At the close the room was cleared very quickly, all birds being sent off at the station before 9 o'clock. Catalogues and points sheets were dispatched to reach by first post next morning exhibitors who had sent for them, a very creditable performance. There was a large attendance of fanciers from all parts of Lancashire, Yorkshire and Cheshire. The birds shown were of good quality, but the general tendency of the birds is to be more faulty.

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS (40), Mr. Tomlinson judge: 1, sp, 2, sp, Shepley, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, B.R. 4, Fl. 3, W.R. 3, W.G. 4, B.G. 2, B.T. 2, Bs.R 1, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 29 pts.; 2nd, H.R. 3, H.B. 4, B.R. 4, Sh. 3, Fl. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 4, B.G. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 29; 3, 4, vhc he, Neugebauer, 3rd, HR. 5, H.B. 3, B.R. 4, Fl. 2, W.R. 3, W.G. 5, B.T. 1 G.E. 5, total 28; 4th, H.R. 5, Sh. 3, B.R. 5, W.R. 3, W.G. 4, B.G. 3, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 28; vhc 28; he 27, he 27; c, Buffin, 26; 9, sp, Smith; 10, sp, Pericles. NOVICE (76) Judge W. Massey: 1, Kramer, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, Sh. 3 B.R. 4, Fl. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 4, B.T. 1, Bs. R. 2, G.E. 5, total 30 pts.; ex 1, Wantling, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Sh. 1, B.R. 4, G. 3, W.R. 1, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 25; 2, Powell, H.R. 3, H.B. 2, Sh. 3, B.R. 5, Fl. 1, W.R. 3, W.G. 4, Bs.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 4, 2 off, total 25; ex 2, Gooding, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sh. 3, B.R. 2, Fl. 3, W.G. 4, G.E. 4, total 24; 3, Roberts, H.R. 3, H.B. 3, Sh. 3, B.R. 2, G. 3, W.G. 4, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 24; ex 3, Portlock, H.R. 4, H.B. 4, Sh. 3, Fl. 2, W.G. 4, B.T. 1, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 24; 4, Santer, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sh. 3, B.R. 2, Fl. 2, W.G. 3, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 24; ex 4, Powell, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, Sh. 3, B.R. 3, Fl. 2, G. 2, W.G. 4, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 24; vhc, Fliteroft, 23; he, Powell, 23; c, Santer, 23. CHAMP. ANY AGE (12) Judge J. Tomlinson: 1, Pericles, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Sh. 3, B.R. 5, Fl. 2, G. 2, G.R. 3, W.R. 3, B.T. 1, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 32 pts.; 2, Routledge, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, Sh. 3, B.R. 2, Fl. 3, W.R. 3, W.G. 4, B.T. 2, Bs.R. 1, G.E. 5, total 39; 3, Unsworth, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, Sh. 3, B.R. 4, Fl. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.G. 2, G.E. 4, total 28; 4, Johnson, H.R. 3; H.B. 2, Sh. 3, Fl. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.G. 4, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 26; vhc, McGivern, 23; he, Pericles, 21; c, Harper, 18; c, Heatherley, 18. AMATEUR (31) Judge G. Waring: 1, Smethurst, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sh. 2, B.R. 3, Fl. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 5, Total 25 pts.; 2, Kramer, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Sh. 2, B.R. 2, Fl. 2, W.G. 4, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 2, Bs.R. 1, G.E. 4, total 24; 3, Stewart, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, B.R. 5, Fl. 3, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, 2 off, total 24; 4, Best, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Sh. 2, B.R. 4, Fl. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, Bs.R 1, G.E. 4, total 23; vhc, Meadows, 23; he, Buffin, 23; he, Heatherley, 26; c, Smith; c, Mead. NOVICE (48) Judge G. Waring: 1, Jopson, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sh. 2, B.R. 3, Fl. 3, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, Bs.R. 1, G.E. 5, total 27 pts.; 2, McKechan, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sh. 2, B.R. 3, Fl. 3, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, Bs.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 25; 3, M. Nuttal, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sh. 2, B.R. 2, Fl. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, Bs.R 1, G.E. 5, total 24; 4, Gooding, H.R. 3, Sh. 4, B.R. 3, Fl. 3, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 1, B.T. 1, Bs.R 2, G.E. 4, total 23; vhc, Smith, 23; he, Mathews 23; c, Smith, 22; c, Harvey, 22; c, Gill, 22. J. Rothwell won cup given by Mr. Derbyshire for the novice members, and Mr. Fliteroft 2nd prize given by Mr. Gostling.

[In the above report the abbreviations are: H.R., hollow roll; H.B., hollow bell; B.R., bell roll; Fl., flutes; W.R., water roll; W.G. water glucke; B.G., bell glucke; B.T., bell tone; Bs.R., bass roll; G.E., general effect.]

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LARKHALL.

Annual show of the Larkhall O.S., Public Hall, Jan 23. Sec., Mr. J. McEwan, had everything in fine order, and was well backed up by a hard working committee in Messrs. J. Anderson, P. Meek, Alex. Brownlee, James Brown, Peter Cook, T. Hamilton, Wm. Brown, James Alexander, R. Russell, F. Clark, D. Richardson, Wm. Lilly, George Boag, R. Cummings, and W. P. Campbell. Mr. John McLay, Kirkintilloch, judged, and his awards were well received.

GOLDF. OR BULLF. (20): 1, Mrs. Wallace, well-known Goldf., "Scotland's Best," fine size, clean cut blaze, well tanned, lovely wings and buttons, staged to perfection; 2, McGavin, Bullf., grand dense black cap, rich breast col., good cond., well placed; 3, Trotter, Goldf., grand blaze and size; 4, McQuiston, very nice house-moulted Bullf., in the pink, loses in col. only; vhc, Niven, very nice Goldf., close up to the 3rd; he, McEwan; c, Ellery. A.O. FINCH (5): 1, Cummings, Bramble., plenty of size, bit too dark in col., jet black head, without lacing and not extra good in tanning, bit lucky perhaps; 2, McQuiston, grand Hawfinch, hard lines to get beaten here; 3, Liddell, Wishaw winner, best Bramble in the class; 4, Brownlee and Cook; vhc, Boag. LINNET (12): 1, McQuiston, Glasgow winner, grand big bouncing bird, full of qual., nice fine working, grand wings, showing white on wings and tail to perfection, well placed; 2, Boag, Glasgow winner, grand F.M. bird, nice size, good stamp, should be heard of again; 3, Campbell, nice size, lost on condition; 4, no name; vhc, Trotter; he, No. 10, no name; c, Neilson. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (11): 1, McQuiston, Twite, looking better than ever, full of working, pure distinct pencilling, nice bars, showing whites well, very steady, wins well; 2, McEwan, Mealy Redpoll, nice Poll, but unsteady; 3, 4, Cummings, fine Twite, well placed, and Redpoll, might have changed places with 2nd Poll; vhc, Boag; he, McGavin; c, Johnstone. F.M. LESSER (5): 1, Calder, nice thick-set bird, grand head, bold front, plenty of work on breast, nice tone of col., Wishaw winner, wins well; 2, vhc, Brownlee and Cook; 3, Johnston; 4, Kerr; the above lot must have given the judge some trouble. SISKIN (11): 1, McQuiston, fed nice dense cap, good bib, clear bars, sweet tone of col., well placed; 2, 4, he, Cummings; 3, Calder; vhc, Brownlee and Cook, might have gone up to second place; he, Lambie; c, Kerr, some of these were too hot in col. and spoilt in appearance. LESSER REDPOLL, H.M. (8): 1, Campbell, stout, thick-set, excellent head, rare col., but some preferred 2, McQuiston, one of the best we have seen out this year and the bonniest col. in class; 3, Boag, Scottish Nat. winner, we preferred this also to the 1st; 4, McEwan; vhc, Lambie; he, Ferguson; c, Kerr. BORD. CK. (9): 1, 2, Stewart, leading with a nice buff full of quality, grand carr., tight as boxwood, lovely round head, well carried wings, beautifully cut away, 2nd close up; 3, vhc, Johnston, fails cond. to leaders; 4, Kerr; he, Ferguson; c, Scobbie. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Stewart, grand team of little gems; 2, Johnston, must have pressed for 1st place; vhc, Clark; he, Ferguson; c, McFarlane. COMM. CAN. (12): 1, no name; 2, McLean; 3, Kerr; 4, Sandilands; vhc, he, Clark; c, Lee; a difficult class to judge. NOR. CK. (5): 1, 4, Liddell, leading with a grand fed buff cock, good type, in best of order, wins; 2, McEwan, yell., nat. col., grand big head, bold front, short flight and tail, well worth its place; 3, Boag, variegbuff; vhc, Campbell. YORKS. CK. (7): 1, 2, 3, Ferguson, grand team, 1st a grand yell., well placed; 4, vhc, he, c, Marley. YORKS. HEN (7): 1, 2, Marley, 1st a big buff, bit rough in feather, we considered lucky, 2nd variegbuff, also a little open in front; 3, 4, vhc, Ferguson, might have led in this class. FOR. (5): 1, Lee, lovely King Parrot; 2, Campbell, Glasgow winner; 3, Morrison, a great talking Macaw; 4, Ellery, Ribbon Finches; vhc, Campbell. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, McQuiston, light variegbuff; 2, Campbell, Goldf.-Bullf.; 3, Boag, dark buff Greenf.-Can.; 4, Brownlee and Cook, nice. Siskin-Goldf.; vhc, Hyslop; he, Smith. HEN FOR MULE OR HYB. BREEDING (6): 1, Campbell, well-known Greenf.; 2, Kerr, very nice Bullf.; 3, Trotter, Linnet; all these very well placed; 4, vhc, Brownlee and Cook; he, McQuiston. GREENF. (5): 1, Boag; 2, McGavin, might have won; 3, McEwan; 4, Calder; vhc, no name.

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

Ninth annual members' contest, Lockhart's, 55, Briggate, Jan. 23. There was a good entry of 95 birds in three classes; Mr. J. B. Hesling, Wakefield, judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS: 1, 2, Best. NOV.: 1, Roberts; 2, 4, Atkinson; 3, Condliffe; 5, Thwaites. OPEN, ANY AGE: 1, Bew; 2, Best; 3, Heaton; 4, Peel; 5, Atkinson; 6, Kramer.

After the contest the annual meeting was held, Mr. Walton chair. Officers elected for the year: Pres., Mr. Walton; vice.-pres., Mr. Heaton; sec., Mr. Best; auditors, Messrs. Barnett and Atkinson. Carried unanimously that no member be supplied with rings before he has paid his subscription. Also that the winner of the Leeds members' challenge cup be presented with a gold medal each year, starting at the next annual show in Nov. Vote of thanks to the chairman and judge brought to a close a very busy and successful day.—H. Best, sec.

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Results of competitions as taken from catalogues, season 1914-15: Champ.: 1st, L. Dykes, 153 points, N.G.M.Y.C.C. 10 guineas challenge trophy and club medal; 2nd, C. Morrison, 98, the W. A. Cowgill 5 guineas challenge trophy and club medal; 3rd, H. H. Towers, 67, the Edward Clegg 3 guineas challenge trophy and club medal; 4th, C. E. Hall, 63, spl. value 10/6 presented by Mr. J. Chippendale; 5th, J. Thomas, 35, spl. value 10/6, presented by Mr. H. Hill. OPEN AMAT.: 1, A. Sheard, 46, spl. value £1 1s. presented by Mr. L. Dykes; 2nd and 3rd not won. JUNIOR NOV. Y.C. Shows: 1st, J. Harney, 23, spl. value £1 presented by the club; 2nd, J. T. Sharpe, 19, spl. value 15/- presented by the club; 3rd not won. CASH SPECIALS: Halifax, 4th birds, E. Saville; vhc's, C. E. Hall, A. W. Hartley and P. Mason. Bradford East, 4ths, Lister and Hudson. Ogden Bros. and H. Chew; vhc's, A. W. Hartley and Ogden Bros. Shipley, 4ths, H. Chew, J. H. Fowle, C. E. Hall and C. Morrison; vhc's, C. Morrison, P. Mason and S. Binns. Tong and Dist., 4ths, C. E. Hall, Pickup and Son, E. Lumb and A. Sheard; vhc's, P. Mason and E. Stobart. Bradford West, 4ths, C. E. Hall and J. E. Priestley; vhc's, C. Morrison, Pickup and Son and Whitley. Huddersfield, 4ths, A. Sheard and E. Clegg; vhc's, C. E. Hall and Sutcliffe and Son. Windhill, 4ths, Ogden Bros. and L. C. Casey; vhc's, P. Mason. Gt. Horton, 4ths, L. C. Casey; vhc's, C. Morrison.—J. Chambers, hon. sec.

Breeding the Spotted Flycatcher in a Devonshire Aviary.

By W. E. TESCHEMAKER, B.A.

(Concluded from page 13.)

FOR the reason stated, the 'Catchers were not turned into the corridor until the 18th of June, but fortunately this species is a late breeder. Not being by any means sure of the sexes, I turned in three, which proved to be two males and one female. On the 5th July I found one of the males stiff and cold; it had fallen in fair fight for "one glance of beauty's eyes." But please note that this was one of the cruelties of aviculture, not of Nature—the result of associating two males in a confined space, where the vanquished had no means of retreat.

On the Edge of Great Events.

I had, however, the consolation of knowing that we were on the edge of great events, and that—perhaps for the first time—the Spotted Flycatcher was about to nest in an English aviary. On the 6th and 7th the pair were building hard, apparently realising that the season was well advanced.

On the 12th a Sparrow mysteriously found its way into the aviary, and, when I requisitioned a small air-gun to remove it, the male 'Catcher at once came up from the end of the corridor to take a hand in the game. I missed with my first shot, but the 'Catcher was right on the mark and turned the Sparrow tail over tip. My second shot was a "bull," but the Sparrow, though lifeless, still hung, with stiffening muscles, to the netting. Up came the 'Catcher again and struck the corpse a blow which hurled it to the ground. Who says birds have no reasoning powers?

The beautifully modelled little nest of moss, lined with some hair and feathers, was built in a box, about 10in. long by 8in. deep, hung by a nail on the palisading; it was in the same box and in the same corner of it that the Golden-eyed Babblers had built. On the 14th, when I examined it with a short ladder, it contained three eggs.

Something About Feeding Flycatchers.

You will notice the position of the food-box marked on the plan, but I daresay you will want to know what I put in it. Though the Spotted Flycatcher is not a caterpillar-eater, it seems to take an interest in mealworms from the first, and will in any case eat them after a little hand-feeding. Then it is easily brought on to fresh ant-cocoons and grated sponge-cake, dried flies, and soaked maw-seed, simply by rubbing all these ingredients together so that they adhere. I only fed my birds in the early morning and evening; during the rest of the day they foraged for themselves.

I have been able to settle one point which has frequently been disputed, namely, whether this species eats cherries; it does, but it only takes just one bite, leaving a mark on the fruit like a longitudinal slash. Redstarts, in the same aviary, used to strip the cherries to the stone. I think I have said before that probably every insectivorous bird has an alternative food, but for which they would perish in a time of scarcity.

I do not think, however, that there is any evidence that the young of this species are normally fed on anything but winged insects, and this, of course, is the real and obvious difficulty of breeding the species in captivity. The aviculturist, however, must have ideas, and my original idea was to transfer one of my beehives to the corridor. Unfortunately, the so-called Isle of Wight bee-disease had destroyed all my, and my neighbours', bees, so I had to cast about for another idea. I hung up another box, with the open side facing outwards, and placed in it several quart tins of maggots—("gentles")—which had turned into *pupæ*. When the flies emerge they are queer-looking, pallid objects—rather like ghosts of flies—and crawl upwards to the nearest place of refuge (in this case the dark corners of the box), where they remain for fully a day until their wings have hardened. How the Flycatchers used to haunt that box!

The Battle Won.

The young hatched on the 24th July; and now the tug of war began. At such times as these birds rely on instinct, or, in other words, on the inherited experience of thousands and thousands of years, and during all those thousands of years probably no Spotted Flycatchers had ever fed their young on what I wanted them to feed with—live ant cocoons. For a day and a half the cock Flycatcher found sufficient natural food, which he brought to the hen, who sat brooding the young, and she would pass it on to the latter. But, towards the end of the second day, the supply was exhausted, and, as yet, I had not succeeded in persuading them to try a single ant cocoon. I drilled a couple of holes (marked on the plan) through the palisading with a ⅜th inch bit, so that, standing behind them, I could see every action of the birds at the nest from a distance of a few feet. At last a very simple idea surmounted the difficulty; of course, it is only a very simple idea that one can transfer to a bird's mind, because we and the birds have no common language.

Having captured a few "blue-bottles," I brushed their wings with white of egg and then sprinkled them with ant-cocoons. As soon as the albumen dried, the cocoons were a fixture. Through the hole I watched the result. The cock Flycatcher brought one of these queer-looking objects rather doubtfully, and the hen evidently did not like the experiment, for she ate it herself. However, the second one she gave to one young hopeful, and, observing that he liked it, called for another; but the other was the last. The cock 'Catcher explained the position to her, and the two birds looked at one another. It was the crisis.

Suddenly the idea, which I had been so long struggling to convey, occurred to him—*why not the cocoons without the fly?* He dashed off and returned with a beakful. The hen protested, but he pushed her on one side and thrust them down a gaping mouth. Both watched the result anxiously; the youngster appreciative, and asking for more. Off dashed the male for another beakful; then the hen tumbled to the idea and fetched some herself. And they stuffed those youngsters with cocoons until they could not squeeze one more in! The battle was won!

Is it a Record?

The young flew on the 7th August, and, by the end of the month, I was able to release the whole family, and had the pleasure of seeing them flying at liberty in the garden and hawking flies for themselves.

I will now explain to you why I was so anxious to breed the Spotted Flycatcher. I am not sure that any species which normally feeds its young on winged insects has been fairly and squarely bred in an aviary. Of course, the remarkable record of the breeding of the Nightjar in the sitting-room of a German family will be recollected by all aviculturists, but in that case the young were hand-fed, in addition to what they received from their parents, and, as we all know, we can hand-rear almost any bird. It is quite impossible, however, to say definitely what may or may not have been accomplished by the early aviculturists here or on the Continent, so you must please note that I express no opinion whatever as to whether the above is really a record.

I find that in writing at express speed I have omitted to say that for purposes of corroboration I showed the young Flycatchers on Aug. 14 to my neighbour, Colonel Lucas (who is very interested in Indian birds), and on Aug. 23 to Messrs. Wolfe and Tayleur.

Correspondence.

How to Make Members Attend Meetings.

SIR,—I should be glad if some of your numerous readers could give me a few tips on how to build up a society and to get members to attend meetings regularly? Perhaps some of the numerous secretaries have had a like sad experience to mine, and have found a remedy. ANXIOUS.

The Water Supply at the Welsh National Show.

SIR,—I wish to thank "Britisher" for giving me this opportunity of assuring him and all other fanciers that they may rest content that the welfare of their birds will be most assiduously studied at our forthcoming show. We have in our midst a body of experienced workers, whose reputation may be thoroughly relied on. Mr. E. Thorne, a well-known Foreign bird exhibitor, has kindly undertaken the supervision of the Foreign section, and I shall be very glad if Foreign exhibitors and soft-billed Britishers, whose birds require special food, treatment, etc., will affix instructions to cages. So roll up "Britisher," and send us a good entry.

W. SAMPSON.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

SIR,—I am surprised at such an exhibitor and judge as Mr. J. Maddison (Newcastle) being ashamed of signing his name to anything he sends to CAGE BIRDS for publication. Does this not show the world plainly who is in the wrong? After this season's six firsts under our most popular, independent and self-influenced gentlemen, who have awarded "White Rose" the red ticket, I ignore judges that put the bird back. It is more gratifying to see that gentlemen who saw the parents in the cage, a good-headed and Norwich-type cock Canary and a hen Bullfinch of good head and size mated, and saw the eggs, also the young while they were being reared, are not ashamed to sign their names. Long live "White Rose," is the wish of many. R. D. PARLETT.

P.S.—I am away from home working for the Government in Dorset, but if you don't publish J. Maddison's name, don't publish any part of this letter, as it is only jealousy, and I know it is he writing.

[As Mr. Parlett expressly desires us to publish Mr. Maddison's name, we do so, but we beg to say that he (Mr. M.) had nothing to do with starting the present discussion.—EDITOR, "C.B."]

SIR,—Now that the thorny question of "White Rose's" parentage is on, it might interest some of your readers to know that there is now being mounted at the Natural History studios, 2, Dame Street, Dublin, a wild Greenfinch, shot in county Roscommon, which appears to me, judging by your illustration, to be just the same colour as Mr. Parlett's bird, with the exception that the latter seems to have some slight marking on the wings, whereas this bird is quite clear, and much the colour of a young yellow Canary in its first plumage.

HUGH WILLIAMS.

Haltwhistle Show and the Northern Norwich P.C.

SIR,—I earnestly appeal to the Northern Norwich P.C. members to remember Haltwhistle show on Feb. 3. This is the last show for our patronage, so let them have a record entry. They are giving a liberal classification, and have a specialist judge.

F. W. LAIDLOW (Sec. N.N.P.C.).

The Giving of Prize Cards.

SIR,—I can fully endorse all your correspondent, "Prize Card," says. I am certain that fanciers for the most part (especially novices, who should be encouraged in every way) greatly appreciate these pieces of pasteboard, some, indeed, placing more store upon them than upon the money won. I well remember the first card I succeeded in securing. I had, with much nervousness, taken one bird—a Yorkshire—to the show held by the Southern Yorkshire C.C., at the Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate-street, in the year 1906, and when I entered the room and found my cage adorned with one of the minor prize cards I know I must have felt as much delighted as any race-horse owner whose steed has won the Derby! Prize cards should *always* be given to successful exhibitors.

JOHN B. WATERMAN.

A Hawfinch which is Said to Talk.

SIR,—While looking over some back numbers of CAGE BIRDS, I saw an article on a talking Rook, so I thought I would tell you of my wife's Hawfinch that talks, and which has had a varied experience. I am a gardener on a large estate, so have a good chance to study bird life. In May, 1913, I noticed a nest in a large nut tree, and a fine cock Greenfinch was always hanging about. I told the wife about him. She said "Get the nest, and I will hand-rear the young ones; perhaps we shall rear a champion." So up went the ladder one dinner-time, and to my surprise I found what I took for four fine young Bullies. I carried them home, and they took to their food beautifully. In about a fortnight my father came to see us, and said to the wife: "Where did you get those Hawfinches?" That started an argument. I said they are Bullies; he said Hawfinches. I very soon found he was right, by the beaks and plumage and size. I sold two, and one died. The other we kept; it turned out a hen. During the year I had to write to Mr. Norman twice about her, and his advice did her a lot of good. This winter she is a grand one, and when all is quiet you can hear her talking to herself. She can say "Pretty Polly," "Be Quick," "Polly wants a pea," "What"; also she can mock the Linnet and Chaffinch singing. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.

C. PARISH.

(Correspondence Continued on next Page.)

THE WINTER MANAGEMENT OF CANARIES.

By E. W. ALLSOPP (Cardiff).

(Continued from page 33.)

BEFORE actually touching upon the foodstuffs I will sing the praises of bathing as a material factor towards obtaining the top notch of health and condition. From the day the youngsters commence feeding themseves I hang a five-inch bath, and all now take to the water as naturally as if expecting it. From thence until the conclusion of the moult, a day is rarely missed without the opportunity to bathe, and not many are missed through the winter season.

So long as a bird has not been hand-washed, I find even during the coldest weather bathing gives no discomfort to the birds; nor is it dangerous providing sufficient time is allowed for them to become dry, which is generally accomplished in about two hours. It is really astonishing how persistently the birds will stand in the water, flapping their wings, and ducking their heads, before becoming wet, when not hand washed, but when hand-washed the moment they enter the water the plumage becomes sodden, and it is a disgusted looking bird that emerges and tries to again arrange its many feathers.

For some reason hand washing permanently destroys the water resisting quality of the feathers, and is not remedied until another moult has been experienced. For this reason I will not hand wash any bird if I can possibly avoid it, as under this scheme of management I feel duty bound to furnish every opportunity for each bird to live, and whilst bathing is really an aid to that end on the one hand, there is upon the other with hand washed birds a decided element of danger introduced, if only by reason of the feathers being robbed of their water-resisting power. My practice during the winter is therefore to lightly spray all hand-washed birds, and allow three to four hours for them to become dry.

Building Up the Unfortunates.

Occasionally, even from the most robust pairs, a youngster will crop up which, due perhaps to some accidental occurrence attendant on its birth (as a few hours overdue; or perhaps exhausted with its almost futile labours to liberate itself), does not obtain the same fortunate kick off in life as others, and though healthy, it seems weak and inclined to go under. With extreme care in feeding, the generous offering of the bath, and exercise obtained in a flight cage, I have had the pleasure of seeing such birds slowly but surely emerge from the moult, strong, robust specimens, well fitted in every way for their mission in life; thanks being mostly due to the regular bathing.

Again, there is nothing better to bring about permanent strengthening for leg weaknesses, also minor toe troubles (not slip claw, which needs a rubber bandage, but usually stiff hind toes, which afflictions the largest youngsters seems prone to, due perhaps to the muscles of their legs and feet not being sufficiently developed at six, seven, or eight weeks to support their heavy bodies). In addition to regular baths, I daily run such youngsters into a show cage, and by turning the spray bottle upside-down, I am able to direct a steady jet of water upon their legs for a few minutes, and by so doing have in a few weeks wrought a permanent cure.

For the flight cages, in which are usually groups of birds, I find enamelled baking or meat tins about twelve or fifteen inches square and 2½ inches deep, with a wire cage made to suit, meet the situation very nicely. Had I nothing more to recommend baths other than the real delight such afford the birds, I should still have something substantial, but it is more than affording delight, for it is an aid to the perfection in health aimed at.

Now having arrived at the foodstuffs, if you are expecting an elaborate and precise winter menu to regularly follow, I shall disappoint you. Many and varied are the items I press into service, yet in actual volume the winter needs, or use of such, would amount to almost a negligible quantity.

When tending my birds I am always mindful that their mission in nature is to help preserve the balance of things. Those species which prey and live thereby upon the hordes of insect life are doing much more in life than merely live, and I expect it is because of this that nature has so managed affairs that birds have an enormous capacity for stowing away insects, or seeds, and other items upon which they naturally subsist.

(To be Continued.)

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

Affairs of the Yorkshire C.C. of Scotland.

SIR,—In the catalogue of the Glasgow open show the above club tells us they are doing all in their power to strengthen the hold of the Yorkshire Canary in Scotland. If so, might I ask, through the columns of CAGE BIRDS: (1) Out of a membership of 34 for all Scotland, how many novice members they have? (2) How many novice classes were scheduled at shows under their patronage? (3) Is it true that at a certain Glasgow show one of the S.Y.C.C. officials exhibited birds in another fancier's name? (4) Is it also true that at another Glasgow show the judge officiated on birds which he had sold during the previous fortnight? (5) Could a more modern method of electing officials not be suggested by some fancier than that which is at present in vogue? (6) Could a disinterested judge not be secured for each of the patronage shows? Though deeply interested in the Yorkshire Canary, and the above Club, I will be

ONE LESS.

The Value of "Push."

SIR,—I can support Mr. Coker in what he says. Dealers offer 5s. 6d. to 6s. per couple for colour-fed Yorkshires, or 18s. per doz. for large hens. Then just consider the price of bird foods. Take my own case, at the end of October, 1914, I had for disposal over 50 Canaries. Money was short, birds had to go. I sold to a dealer at 7s. 6d. per couple birds bred from pairs that cost me £3 to £2 10s. per pair in 1912 and 1913. I don't blame the dealers; they have a lot of risk, and their adverts. to keep going. The only way to mend things, in my opinion, is some form of co-operation amongst breeders both for buying and selling stock, also foods. Then some societies who run open shows could help a little if they would open their selling classes to any variety of bird. I think they would pay better and be more interesting to visitors. Take the Bradford district shows; nearly all selling classes are confined to Yorkshires. I have heard visitors remark at some of the Yorkshire shows that the birds were all alike. What a difference at Manchester and some other shows. Why the selling classes are a show and an education in themselves, besides giving the novice a chance to sell or buy good stock. I quite agree with Mr. Allsopp on the value of "push," but then some people have a conscienee as well as being short of cash. Some peoplo have learnt the value of "push" thoroughly. Take, for instauce, the man who perhaps breeds say 30 or 40 birds, and he is selling them from October to Mareh. all bred from gold cup and medal winning strain, and all fit to win in keenest competition. He has nothing to learn about "push."

NEARLY PUSHED OUT.

Papers Wanted by Fanciers Interned in Holland.

SIR,—As a regular reader of your most valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, I would be very much obliged if you would forward me a few eopies to distribute among my birdie friends in this unfortunate position, i.e., interned in Holland. I am a noviee fancier and was a member of the Boldon Colliery C.B.S. until it broke up last year, winning a few firsts in members' classes. Address: E. Noble, A.B., Hawke's Batt., Groningen, Holland.

EDWARD NOBLE.

[We have had pleasure in sending a supply of our publieations, and possibly some of our readers would care to send out papers, magazines, etc. Mr. Noble, we presume, was a member of the British Expeditionary Force sent to Antwerp, a portion of whieh had to cross into Dutch Territory and suffer internment.—EDITOR, "C.B."]

Medals Instead of Money.

SIR,—May I suggest that the officials of the Welsh National show follow the practice of the Crystal Palace Show and give medals to value in lieu of prize-money, the choiee to be at the option of the fortunate winning exhibitor. I think this would be weleomed by a large number of exhibitors.

HOPEFUL.

An Offer to Border and Roller Fanciers Enlisting.

SIR,—If any Roller or Border Canary fancier is enlisting, and does not want to get rid of his birds, I will keep three or four pairs for him free of all charge during the time he is away. I can assure anyone that his birds will be as well cared for as my own, and whoever puts them in my eharge ean have first-class references from a dozen fanciers or tradesmen, if he so desires. The only eondition I make is that they must find eages. I have been before the Faney now twenty years. It must be Rollers or Borders, eold room bred, as these are the only varieties I keep.

A. E. ANSTEE.

Banksman, 117, Queen's Road,
New Tredegar, Mon.

Mice Killing Birds in an Aviary.

SIR,—I am sorry to say that my Redpoll-Greenfineh Hybrid, of which you gave a very nice picture in CAGE BIRDS of Nov. 28, 1914, has been killed by mice in my outdoor aviary. He was a winner at several shows, besides Tonbridge (at which show he took either 2nd or 3rd, I'm not sure which). He took 1st and special at Maidstone show in 1913, and 1st at Malling show. I am very sorry to have lost him as I did. I have had him stuffed. I have only three Redpoll-Greenfinch Hybrids left now, out of two nests that I bred. I might say that I have had other birds killed the same way. How the mice get them I cannot understand, as the birds all roost on perches hung by wire from the roof of the aviary. Each bird I've found has had a hole knawed under the left wing near the shoulder. I catch some of the mice, which I believe are field mice, as I live in the country. I would like to know if any of your readers have experienced the same trouble.

W. BENNETT.

The Welsh National Cage Bird Society and Its Show.

SIR,—It affords me great pleasure to learn that the above soeiety is finally deeided upon, and I take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Banks upon his splendid endeavours in satisfying the long felt need of Welsh fanciers, more especially as one of its objectives will be the furthering of so noble a cause as the Prince of Wales' Fund. May I be allowed to issue an appeal to all Welsh fanciers, more especially to those of South and West Wales, to co-operate with Mr. Banks, so that the first exhibition may be an unparalleled suecess, thus establishing the above society as a permanent institution. It is not sufficient to merely forward exhibits, but to attend personally as well. Welsh fanciers have often regretted the fact that the majority of cage-bird shows have been held upon mid-week dates, when business arrangements prevent them attending. With such men as Mr. Banks, and the old war horse, Mr. Sampson, at the helm, I have no hesitation in predicting that the new society will be the greatest success in the annals of the Fancy.

ALF. HITCHINGS.

The Alleged "Canker" in the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.

SIR,—"A. S. P.'s" letter was discussed at our last meeting, 26 members being present, not one of whom had heard any murmurings of discontent. Thus it is quite evident that the letter comes from someone who has not had the pleasure of attending our meetiugs. If he had, he would certainly know there is not a more social and amieable lot of fanciers in any society. He accuses a certain few of working in an under-handed way for their own benefits. This is entirely a false accusation. The meeting requests me to write asking "A. S. P." to reply. He states he has made investigations, therefore he must eertainly know what is creating this feeling of unrest amongst the members. In relying, we ask him to be a man and sign his own name, otherwiso the members will treat the matter with the eontempt it deserves.

J. SPENCER, Hon. Sec.
Ardwick and Manchester Dist. C.B.A.

SIR,—If there is no truth in my accusations, will Mr. Thorp kindly explain to the members at the next meeting why he, along with other gentlemen, are so keen on their Sunday afternoon meetings? Is it birds they discuss, or what? I always understood the Robby of bird-keeping was a thing apart from anything else. Remember, Mr. Thorp, there are some people who must have the sound of trumpets to everything they do.

A. S. P.

Letter from Mr. Downing unavoidably held over.

Surrey's January Blackcap.

SIR,—Seeing a paragraph in this week's CAGE BIRDS entitled "Surrey's January Blaekcap," I wondered if it could possibly be mine. I lost this bird about the beginning of November, and have not seen him since.

J. E. KNIGHT.

Hampton-on-Thames.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Contest, Jan. 23: 1, 3, Morley; 2, Williams. Jan. 24: 1, Morley; 2, Wainwright; 3, Caddy.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Jan. 23, 20 birds entered for three minutes time singing: 1, Pugh, 74; 2, 3, Beard, 71, 69. Open sing, Jan. 24, 27 entered: 1, Williams, 105; 2, Wingham, 66; 3, Beard, 56. Open sing, Jan. 30.—S. Pugh, sec.

WIGAN.

Open time singing contest, Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, Jan. 23rd; 30 birds staged: 1, Knowles, 107 secs.; 2, Glover, 57 secs.; 3, Dounelly, 56 secs.; 4, Peet, 42 secs.

Don't forget time and quality contest, Sat., Jan. 30th, at Grey Mare Hotel, Bolton Road, Westhoughton.—A. Leyland, Sec. (Advt.)

LEEDS.

Quality singing, Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Buslingthorpe: 1, Binns; 2, Laycock; 3, King. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton, J. Sellars.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Contest for quality Linnet singing, Jan. 23; 16 birds sang: 1, Ward; 2, 3, shared Richardson and Rosendale. Judges, Lacy, Naylor, Jennings. Jan. 24, 22 sang: 1, Ward; 2, Wood; 3, T. Johnson; 4, Chippendale. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor, Lacy. Roller contest, Jan. 24 15 sang: 1, Condliffe; 2, Smelt; 3, Stead. Judges, Sissons, Lacy, Naylor. Open contest for Rollers, Jan. 31, at 6.30.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and C.C. quality singing match, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Jan. 24th; 17 birds sang; judges, J. Clark and Alf. Lorimar: 1, Jim Chippindale; 2, Bamfield; 3, G. Jarrow. Will all intending members of Whitsuntide match please send their names to sec. before Jan. 31st.—F. Turner, Sec.

Club Reports.

OXFORD C.B.S.

Fifth annual general meeting, Old Masonic Hall, Oxford, Jan. 20. Balance sheet was presented and passed, and considered very satisfactory, showing a balance in hand of £10 5s. 11d., after running the open show, and handing a sum of £1 11s. to the Mayor of Oxford's local Relief Fund. Officers were elected: Pres., Mr. W. F. Cross; vice-pres. Viscount Valentia, C.B., M.P., Major Henderson, M.P., Capt. Williams, Messrs. W. B. George, C. C. Lynam, Misses Driver, West, Johnson; bankers, Old Bank Oxford; hon. solicitor, A. H. Franklin; hon. auctioneer, J. Hastings; hon. auditors, W. B. George and F. Wilsdon; hon. treas., J. A. Lees; hon. sec., C. F. Holliday; hon. assist. sec., A. F. Fifield; committee, Messrs. J. Gough (chairman), A. Lewin, A. Tombs, F. Wilsdon, W. White, C. Pearce and King.—A. F. Fifield, Press Corres.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 16, 12 members attending; Mr. R. J. Pretty presided. Letter read from W. Shakespeare with great regret that he was giving up all societies. Balance sheet showed a balance in bank £5 17s. 2d., and 8s. 2d. asets, total £6 5s. 4d. The late Cathcart Cup rules being that the winner paid half toward the second cup, and as all subscription cups have been done away with, the society returned the money to Mr. H. Bell. Vote of thanks accorded late officers for services. Officers for the ensuing year were: President, H. Bell; Committee, Messrs. F. Harrison, A. J. Durham, W. Cullers, G. Mortlock, T. G. Stubb, E. Ayris; hon. treas., R. J. Pretty; hon. sec., W. Gilbert; auditors, Messrs. F. G. Williams and F. Harrison. Meeting adjourned until Jan. 23. Adjourned meeting held at 42 Cowcross, with attendance of 11 members; Mr. R. J. Pretty presided. Five new members were elected: Mr. M. A. Bell, junr., Miss A. Bell, Miss L. Bell, Mrs. Gilbert, Mrs. Durham. A good programme for the year was filled up. Decided that the society have a half-page advert. in CAGE BIRDS Annual for 1915, and obtain diplomas from CAGE BIRDS for pair show, young bird show, and autumn show; one each for champion section, novice, British birds, making nine diplomas in all. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Gilbert for the use of his room, and to the Chairman, which brought the annual meeting to a close. If any fancier wishes to join this most central society, now is the time; a good programme and competiton in all sections. Nominations 1s., subs. 3s. per year.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—I am pleased to note that you have deemed it advisable to group Messrs. Barker Clegg, "Sub-Rosa," J. Bastoek, and myself in one "flight cage," rather than keep us divideo into two little lots. Whether harmony is going to prevail, however, seems doubtful. Already Mr. Barker Clegg seems to be settling down to argue with "Sub-Rosa" over just one bird and two or three judges—a mere "nuffink" compared with the broader issues at stake. Then look at Mr. Bastock's attitude. He says he wants none of my "chipping," or medicine, or bottle, or any of the descriptions of Plainheads I furnished. He simply wants some birds with grand, broad heads, well rounded off, full cheeks, extra large bodies, well carried wings, grand colour and good quality. As for poor me, what do I want? Well, as for the Plainheads, let me have Mr. Bastock's sort. I don't want them on the long side, for if we admit anything more lengthy into the breed than a good, long, useful life, I say right out that such are not typical. Also, in this discussion I want to see some set purpose carried out, something useful accomplished.

The discussion of certain living specimens, which all too few fanciers have had the opportunity of inspecting; references to what certain judges have or have not done; the "settling" with one another over merely minor, petty points, will surely not assist to this end, nor will I be a party to such. I am still a seeker after truth and experience, and as indicating how usefully our time may be spent in this diseussion, I ean point out that shortly I shall extend a hearty invitation to that Frimley fancier to join in who, in an article the other week, declared that cinnamon blood was undoubtedly responsible for the exceedingly good quality of feather sometimes found in our Plainheads. His statement has a quality I always appreciate, i.e., it has no ambiguity about it, and I am hoping in due courso to learn more, and I suggest meanwhile that this good fancier should make ready, whilst I endeavour to clear the atmosphere so that we may get a proper start. As for what Mr. H. Evans has to say about me—well, I will try to deserve it!

E. W. ALLSOPP.

Sir,—Now we have something to argue about—something tangible. So long as we know the birds and can examine them without prejudice, and so long as their owners won't get annoyed at us pointing out their birds' "faults," then we are sure to derive some benefit from this argument; and the Fancy may live to thank Mr. Clegg for starting the controversy. Mr. Clegg has mentioned the winning unflighted yellow at Ardwick as being superior to Mr. Crawshaw's champion. I happened also to visit Ardwick, and was surprised to see the champion standing second. I found the winner all Mr. Clegg says he is, exeept that I can't agree he has a deep chest. I thought he failed there. He is a good all round bird, good head points and feather, but fails in depth of chest, and is too upright. He is one of those birds which require the free use of hempseed to get the desired shape on them; but mind you, these faults are only comparative, and wouldn't probably be noticed were not a good deep-ehested bird along-side it. There is a tendeney on the part of some judges to overlook the flat, or shallow, chest if the bird has a good head, neck, feather and eolour; but we must not forget that the Norwich is essentially a bird of substanee—not necessarily in length, but in breadth and depth. When we get a bird of substanee and type with the desired quality of feather, and with all other points in eonjunction, tho bird should get its reward. Now the unflighted winner at Ardwiek had a fine head and neck, but was not deep enough in chest for my taste. In other words, he hadn't enough substance.

Mr. Clegg quite gets into his stride when dispraising Mr. Crawshaw's champion. He says "He has soft silky feather, but too much of it." Why his feather fits him like a lady's glove everywhere. He says "He is too long in wings and tail—with an oscillating carriage." Does he mean his tail is oscillating? The verb to oscillate means to swing—to vibrate, and I absolutely deny that his tail vibrates. He carries his tail less as an appendage than if it were a part of his body. No sir, no fault can be found with his tail—not even in length. He is no longer than the first bird, comparatively, for a larger and deeper bodied bird must have a longer tail than a small bird, or else be out of proportion. And now about his other "fault." Mr. Clegg says "He is sulky looking, and that you have to lift the cage on to a level with your head to see his eye." I think he exaggerates. But, whether or no, the question is: Do we want the narrow-headed Norwich, with an eye that protrudes like a flying Pigeon's, or do we want the broad-headed, thick-neeked bird? Mr. Crawshaw's bird has the sunken eye, but is not browy, and eertainly isn't sulky-looking; on the contrary.

I am not setting up this bird as a possessor of all the virtues; that bird has to be bred yet. But he has a lot of points to commend him, and is not what Mr. Clegg designates as the "great, big, browy, eronehy-looking, long-sided," etc. selected by the judges. Now he is none of these things. When yon handle him, he travels from perch to perch with a rythmic motion beautiful to see, and he has another desirable point—his legs are set well baek, making him look as if he were always just on the point of overbalancing, so much so that Mr. Sam Cook perpetrated quite a joke about it at Ardwick. Mr. Clegg says that this bird should also have been beaten by the fourth prize bird. Now he is finding fault with the judge he has just commended. The fourth bird is also a good one, but too slim. In this I am borne out by CAGE BIRDS' report.

SUB ROSA.

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FALKIRK (Good Intent) C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Dec. 26, prize-money was paid over to the successful competitors. A very valuable cup and gold medal kindly given by J. C. Davidson, Esq., was won for the first year by Mr. James Marshall in the Norwich section. After a neat speech by Mr. James Muir, president, the cup was handed over by Mr. Joseph Hunter, who hoped the winner would join in the struggle in future years; Mr. Marshall suitably replied. Decided owing to the unsettled state of the country not to hold any meetings till the last Saturday in April.—W. Clarkson, sec.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.

General meeting, Liberal Club, Jan. 19, with a large attendance. Balance sheet was read, showing a nice balance to begin this year's work. Special winners: Champ., P. Hirst, A. Radley, F. Taylor, J. Hellewell, L. Dyson, W. E. Hutchinson. Nov., Fisher and Dyson, G. Shaw, P. Taylor, J. Bower, S. Morley, J. Radley. President's specials, F. and P. Taylor. Officials elected for 1915: Pres., Mr. J. Hellewell (re-elected); vice-pres., Messrs. F. Child, J. Aconley, A. Radley, Dr. Douglas Bell, G. Shaw, and W. E. Hutchinson; Mr. F. Dyson, treas. (re-elected); Mr. P. Hirst, asst. sec.; W. Everett, sec.; delegates to Yorkshire Union, A. Radley, M. Peel.—W. Everett, Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

Meeting, Oddfellows Hall, Plymouth, Mr. W. French presiding over a good attendance. Balance sheet submitted, showing balance of over £17 in hand after having spent £7 13s. in cups and medals. This was considered very satisfactory, and was adopted. Office bearers for ensuing year: Pres., W. French; vice, F. G. Snell; sec. T. Pope; assist. sec., C. Reed; auditors, Messrs. J. Hayne Pillar, and E. S. Lugg; committee, Messrs. Rowe, Garland, Pudham, Brown, Cheney, Deakin, Wills, Mitch, Craven, Smale, Luscombe, Moffitt, Spillman. Vote of thanks was accorded retiring officers for their good work. Mr. W. S. Ryder elected a member. Proposed to hold N.F. shows June 2, June 30 and July 31. Vote of thanks to chairman closed the meeting.—W. Luscombe.

FIFE C.B.L.

Meeting in Buckhaven. Decided to hold a club show, Feb. 6, in Masonic Hall, Cowdenbeath. Nor. 8 classes; Bord., 7; Crest and C.B., 4; Yorks., 4; Scotch Fancy, 4; Mule and Hyb., 2; Brit., 10; Com. Can. and For., 1 each. Entry money 9d. per bird; prizes according to entry. Judges: Plainhead and Crest, John McLay, Kirkintilloch; Borders and Yorks., G. Hislop, Stirling; Scotch Fancy and Brit., John Steel, Dalkeith. Admission during judging (to commence at 11 a.m.) 6d., after judging 3d. Decided to close the show at 6 p.m. Points count for League Trophy at this show. Decided, that each society send 2s. 6d. to the Sec. towards the expenses of show. Members can have full particulars on application to their local secs., or to the League Sec., Jas. Cordery, 21, Dewar's Row, Kelty.

OPENSHAW, GORTON & DIS. C.B.S

Meeting, Jan. 13. Mr. Green chair, before a poor attendance. Balance sheet was read and passed as very satisfactory, leaving a nice sum in hand. The following were elected officers for this year: Pres., Mr. A. S. Evanson; Vice-pres., Mr. T. Garbutt; Chair, Mr. Green; Treas., A. Gilbert; Sec., A. Newton; Auditors, J. Dewar and W. Giles; Trustees, T. Richards and J. Langfield. Committee, Messrs. Beddall, Painter, Johnson. A few comments on running the society resulted in a decision to run two N.F. shows and to strike out table show; the 2nd N.F. show to take the place of table show; 1st N.F. either first or second Sat. in June, 2nd, third or fourth Sat. in July. The matter of trophies to be competed for was left over till next meeting on account of such a poor attendance, so will the members please make a special effort to attend? Next meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 27.—A. W. Newton, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE C.C.

Winners of cash prizes for 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th birds at season's shows: Halifax C.B.A. 3rd birds, Thomas; 4th, Priestley, Saville; 5th, Towers; 6th, Hall. Bradford East, 3rd birds, Harney; 4th Casey; 5th, Northrop; 6th, Sutcliffe and Son, Helliwell, Hill, Hall, Ogden Bros., Chittenden, Studd. Skelmanthorpe, 3rd birds, Binns, Casey; 4th, Dyson; 5th, Ogden Bros.; 6th, Hall, Hutchinson, Taylor, Priestley, Everett, Sharpe. Tong, 3rd, Dyson; 4th, Bushby, Binns, Lumb, Hall, Radley, Dyson; 5th, Neeson, Sharpe, Hodgson, Mason, Stobart, Priestley, Beaumont, Everett; 6th, Sharp, Casey, Self, Radley, Sutcliffe and Son, Wilkinson Bros., Chittenden, Hirst, Whitwham, Clegg. Bradford National, 3rd, Drake, Shackleton, Clegg, Dewhirst, Hall Casey, Cooper, Morrison, Ramsbottom; 4th, Crawhall, Hirst; 5th, Morrison; 6th, Taylor, Studd. Huddersfield, 3rd, Dyson, Radley, Hill, Beaumont, Taylor, Hirst, Helliwell, Robertshaw, Priestley, Sutcliffe and Son, Morrison, Studd, Ratcliffe, Sharpe; 4th, Hirst, Morrison; 5, Sutcliffe and Son; 6, Mason, Bushby. Doncaster, 3rd, Hirst; 4th Hirst, Studd; 5th, Thomas, Hirst, Casey; 6th, Beaumont, Jebson. Scottish Nat., 3rd, Dyson; 4th, Morrison; 5th, Snead, J. Thomas, Dyson, Hirst; 6th, Binns, Casey, Snead, Morrison. Windhill, 3rd, Sutcliffe and Son; 4th, Thomas; 5th, Hirst, Self, Casey, Mason, Priestley, Harney, Sharp, Studd, Ratcliffe; 6th, Priestley, Dyson, Hall, Self, Hirst, Morrison, Ratcliffe, Harney. Great Horton, 3rd, Beaumont, Drake, Priestley, Sharpe, Sutcliffe and Son, Thomas; 4th Stobart, Sutcliffe and Son, Beaumont; 5th, Morrison; 6th, Bushby. A few subs. are still unpaid; will members please forward same to—John Greaves, Sec.

WEST LONDON F.A.

Annual general meeting, Wind-or Castle Hotel, Hammersmith, Jan. 21. Chairman Mr. H. H. Gibbons having joined the colours, the chair was taken by the Vice, Mr. A. G. Lock. Letter read from Mr. F. Knight expressing his regret in severing connection with the West London F.S. through having earned promotion under Government; he has been sent to Bristol, where we all wish him a very happy and prosperous New Year. Balance sheet read and passed, showing a loss for the year of £1 3s. 8d. Pair show 3s., Y.B. show 2s. 9d., annual 17s. 11d. Sec. hoped for a better return in the coming season. Patrons, Messrs. Leopold de Roth child and H. Gray, M.R.C.V.S.; President, Dr. W. Roberts, and Vice-presidents re-elected; Mr. Turner and Mr. Beavington were nominated for chairman, Mr. J. Turner was returned by four votes; Mr. A. Beavington Vice-chair and press corresp. Decided to hold a pair show 1st Thursday in Mar. Judges for the year were elected: Mr. J. Robson, pair and annual shows, Mr Easterling young bird show; committee as before; auditors, Messrs. W. J. Gibbons and J. Bray, sen.; hon. treas., J. Turner; hon. vet. surg., H. Gray, M.R.C.V.S.; hon sec. unanimously re-elected. Chairman presented the winners with cups and diplomas. Mr. G. Butterfield won spl. most points Canary section. Mr. A. Beavington, amat., Mr. Mears, nov. Nor. cup, 1913-14, G. Butterfield; Yorks. cup, Dewhurst, Crest cup, W. J. Gibbons, Lancashire: Yorks. shield and Brit cup Dewhurst; Norwich, Mrs. Thynne. Mr. A. Beavington won diploma for Finches, and hand-painted diploma most points throughout the year with 350 points. Votes of thanks to retiring officers, the auditors, who spoke well of the way the books were kept by the hon. sec., and to the Chair, closed the meeting; next meeting first Thursday Feb. Sorry to report that Mr. Easterling and Mr. Butterfield are both very ill; all members wish them a speedy recovery. —A. Beavington, Press corresp.

Total points throughout 1914 at Pair (P), Young (Y) and Annual (A) shows:—Champ.: Franz, A16; Turner, A28; Gibbons 29 Y17, A12; Withers 62, P18, Y15, A29; Dewhurst 101, P18, Y22, A61; Butterfield 117, P24, Y27, A66; Bennett 32, P17, A15; Shepherd, P18; Easterling, A27; Mrs. Thynne 21 P15, A6. Amateur: Beavington 174, P42, Y47, A85; Clarke 75, P22 Y13, A34; Mugford 35, P20, Y15. Novice: Annison 40, P22, Y18; Onslow 26 Y11, A15; Mears 46, Y17, A29. Finch: Dewhurst 82, P31, Y13, A38; Beavington 165, P61, Y57, A47; Bray, A20. British: Dewhurst 73, P20 Y15, A38; Beavington, Y6. Foreign: Mrs. Thynne 30, P15, A15; Beavington, P5; Dewhurst 22, Y11, A11. Most point winners: Champ., Butterfield, 117; Amateur, Beavington, 174; Novice, Mears, 46; Foreign, Mrs. Thynne, 30; British, Dewhurst, 73; Finch, Beavington 165; Most Points all sections, Beavington, 350—J. W. Dewhurst, Hon. Sec.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Meeting, Jan. 19, Mr. Gibbins presiding over a large attendance. Schedules and tickets for charity show were distributed. Decided to grant a sum from funds as sectional cash specials. Mr. McCarter was elected to judge next table show. Balance sheet for 1914 was presented by Mr. Moores, and after giving the proceeds of open show, £5 12s. 6d., to charity, a balance was left in hand of £20 11s. Table show, Mr. V. Sarson judge.

NOR. PAIR: 1, Hulse; 2, Moores; 3, Day; vhc, he, Laundon and Start; c, Pole. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, Hulse; 2, Day; 3, Herbert; vhc, he, Moores. NOV. PAIRS: 1, 2, Bent; 3, vhc, Jolley; he, c, Hughes. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Bent; 2, vhc, Jolley; 3, Hughes. GREENF.: 1, 2, Brooks; 3, vhc, Deacon.—A. Freestone, Sec.

SOUTH LONDON COL. AND F.A.

Annual general meeting, headquarters, Jan. 14, a large number present. Our new president, Mr. John Clark, took the chair, and met with an enthusiastic reception. In a witty little speech Mr. Clark thanked the members for the honour they had done him in electing him president, and wished all present a prosperous New Year. Three new members were elected and five nominated. Sec. presented balance sheet showing total income of £111, with cash in hand of £8 13s. 7d. free of all liabilities. This was considered very satisfactory, and the sec. and officials were given a hearty vote of thanks. Time getting on, the President commenced the prize distribution, a large number of cups and special prizes being presented to the winners present, and the company was kept in constant merriment by the President's remarks. Next meeting, Feb. 11.—Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting held Jan. 17, Maskell's Hotel; all officers present. Mr. Allsopp presided. Sec. was unable to give a report of the Radwen show, as a few members had not sent in unsold tickets. A discussion took place on the Welsh National show, and Messrs. Wiseman, Pearce, Dene, Merritt, and Dallimore volunteered to act as night-stewards. Mr. P. Braille offered to present a cruet to the member gaining most points at the Welsh National show, any variety to compete. Decided to hold the members' annual pair show Feb. 17, Mr. Castree, Mountain Ash, judge. Entries close positively Feb. 15. Stewards, Messrs. Wiseman and Pearce; fee, threepence per cage; no prize money, cards only; birds staged at 7, no birds to be removed until 9.30. The Rev. C. B. Jolliffe promised 2s. 6d. cash for best pair in Nov. Nor. classes, donor not competing. Messrs. Escott, James and Howard elected members. Members who are in arrears with subs. will not be able to compete for specials, etc., at the Welsh National and pair show (see rule 7); please pay arrears by next meeting to enable me to prepare balance sheets. Next meeting, nomination of officers and committee; members unable to attend can send on nominations by post.—E. Thomas, Sec.

BURNLEY O.S.

Annual meeting, Star Inn, Church Street, Jan. 6; Mr. Moorhouse chair, with a good turn-up of members, and we accepted another one in E. Tapper. In connection with the amalgamation, we decided to remain as we are at present, as the majority did not see how they could be benefited by amalgamating until a more definite scheme was drawn up. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Broxup for his kindness in supplying us with new rule cards, which we very thankfully received from him, as "every little helps." Passed that we make Mr. Whittaker, late sec., hon. member until he returns from active service. Officers elected for 1915: Pres., Mr. Pattison; vice-pres., A. Hargreaves; treas., W. Broxup; sec., T. Chadwick; assist. sec., R. Hines; sub-committee, Messrs. West, Broxup, Hines, Catlow, Spencer, Hargreaves. Balance-sheet was read and passed, and considering the trade in the district, which has been the worst in Lancashire, we are glad to state that we have a balance on the right side. Seeing that we are starting a new year we should like to make a special appeal to fanciers residing within 14 miles of Burnley to become members. There are plenty of fanciers around Burnley who might join, and we all would welcome them as fanciers should. Anyone wishing to join can get all particulars from the sec., who would very gladly reply; our terms are 4s. per year, or by a quarterly payment of 1s. in advance, and no entrance fees. Next meeting, Feb. 3, at 7.30.—T. Chadwick, Sec., 42, Shale Street, Burnley.

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ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Accrington C.B.S.—Feb. 4, Crown Hotel, 8. Settlement of show business.—D. Harwood.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Feb. 2, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. Table show of Norwich pair, 2 Sections (open and amateur) (novices). Judge, Mr. H. Boothman. Ticket money for open show to be brought in.—J. Spencer.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Linton Miner's Hall, 7. Annual meeting to elect officers and new members.—Wm. Hall.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—Feb. 2, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Judge, for annual show. Dates and judges for pair and table shows.—J. Whitehead.

Barnet F. and F.S.—Feb. 3, The Mitre Hotel, 8. Table show and general show business.—J. Richards.

Blaydon C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Annual meeting; election of officers; annual show, etc. Members and fanciers please turn in.—G. Havver.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Victoria Hotel, 6.30. Postponed general meeting. Balance-sheet and officers for 1915. Please note change of time owing to early closing.—H. Bryant.

Bootle C.B.S.—Feb. 2, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Litherland, 8. Annual general meeting. Election of officers, balance-sheet, etc.—A. E. Huyton.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Feb. 3, Headqnarters, 8.15. Feb. 11, pair show at 7.—John C. Bell.

Bowling B.F.A.—Feb. 1, Napoleon Hotel, 8. Also Feb. 6, distribution of prizes and smoker, at 6.30; all fanciers specially invited.—J. Nicholl.

Bradford East O.S.—Feb. 2, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Pair show; judge, Mr. E. Sndtards; also judging competition for members; 3 money prizes.—J. Spencer.

Bramley O.S.—Jan. 30, Carnival Rooms, 8. Gen. meeting, audit, elect officers, etc. Members please bring subscription cards.—F. Page.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Feb. 2, New Inn, 8. Table show, unflig. cocks, ditto hens.—A. Wood.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Workmen's Club Hall, 6.30. Balance-sheet, etc.—W. H. Christer.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Crown Hotel, 8. Lecture on the management of the Norwich Canary, by Mr. Weaver, of Wolverhampton; and other important business. Selection of judges for open show, etc.—J. H. Jones.

Crewe O.S.—Feb. 2, Burton Hotel, 8. Members' show.—N. L. Croft.

City of Dundee C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Doig's Rooms, 8. Election of office-bearers and other important bus.—A. Law.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Feb. 1, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 7. Judging competition, yellow cocks only, staged 7; auditors' report.—J. Southworth.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Feb. 1, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Table show; classes: Brit. Hardbill, Norhen, 10s. Sell. Cock, £1 1s.—F. A. Green.

Clapham C.B.A.—Feb. 2, at 8. Final arrangements for pair and Finch show.—T. J. Hose.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Feb. 2, Lecture at 8, by Mr. J. Robson, on "Breeding and Rearing Canaries."—D. Reeks.

Dewsbury C.B.S.—Jan. 29, Little Saddle Hotel, 8. Entries for show on Jan. 30. Judge, Mr. C. A. House.—L. Barker.

Darlington C.B.S.—Feb. 3, George Hotel, 7.30. Business for members' show, Feb. 6.—H. Todd.

East Ham C.B.S.—Jan. 30, in Public Offices, Wakefield Street, East Ham, 4. Pair show; judge, J. Robson.—F. Onslow.

Edinburgh Nor. and M.B.S.—Feb. 4, 142, High Street, 8. Enrolment of new members and general business.—J. Stormont.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Feb. 1, Regent Hall, Abbeymount, 8. Annual general meeting. New members enrolled at meeting.—R. S. Spence.

Edinburgh Western O.S.—Feb. 4, Riego Street Hall, 8. Reply from Edinburgh Club. Prize money still on hand paid out at this meeting. New members enrolled.—C. Grant.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Jan. 30, instead of Feb. 6, as announced last week, 7.30. Important Y.U. business and general meeting.—A. Firth.

Halifax C.B.S. — Feb. 4, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross Street, 7.30. Annual general meeting; election of officers, balance sheet, and presentation of challenge cup, etc.—A. Sutcliffe.

Huddersfield O.S.—Feb. 6, White Hart Hotel, 7.30. Table show; birds staged 2.30; judge, Mr. J. Moorhouse. Meeting to follow in the evening. Kindly note alteration of date from Feb. 1st.—A. Lawford.

Hull C.B.S.—Feb. 1, Oddfellows' Hall, 7.45. Meeting and pair show.—W. Furnandiz.

Hyson Green C.B.S.—Feb. 2, Headquarters, 7. Proposed alteration of prize scheme. Important to all. Note alteration of time due to early closing order.—A. E. Moult.

Islington F.A.—Feb. 1, Headquarters, 8.30. Gen. bus.—W. T. Amery.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Feb. 3, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Classification for members' shows, dates, etc.; pair show abandoned owing to early closing.—W. H. Symes.

Leigh C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Fixing table shows.—R. Charleson.

Leicester C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Hare and Pheasant, 7.30. A.V. Nor. Hen (except unflig.). Please note time owing to early closing.—J. Hardbattle.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Feb. 2, White Swan, 7.30. Table show and entries for charity show.—A. Freestone.

Leyton C.B.A.—Feb. 1, at new Headquarters, Parish Hall, Church Road, Leyton, 8. Special gen. meeting. Members urgently requested to attend.—A. W. Farmer.

London Federation of C.B.S.—Jan. 29, El Vino, 3, Piccadilly Place, 8. Adjourned annual general meeting.—J. C. Birch.

Macclesfield C.B.S.—Feb. 4, Daybrook Street School, 7.45. General bus.—H. Hall.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Feb. 1, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Entries for members' show; let us have a record, plenty of specials.—F. Wilkinson.

Middlesex O.S.—Feb. 4, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. Annual gen. meeting and presentation of cups and medals.—J. Jefferis.

Middleton C.B.S.—Feb. 1, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting re trophy for young bird shows; new cards.—J. Hulton.

Musselburgh O.S.—Jan. 29, Cossar's Tea Rooms, 7.30. Balance-sheet; election of office-bearers, and other business. Friends invited.—A. Hoyle.

Nelson, Colne C.B.S.—Feb. 2, 117, Every Street, 8. General business.—D. Watts.

Northern Border and S.F.C.C.—Feb. 3, Pillar's Cafe, 7.30. Pair show; 3 classes each section, Cl. or Mkd., Gr., Cinn.—M. C. Potts.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Feb. 2, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. General business. New members and friends invited.—A. Colley.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Feb. 4, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 8. Balance sheet; election of officers; Lord Mayor's fund; other important business.—J. W. Reed.

North Liverpool C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Headquarters, 8. Annual general meeting. Election of officers, etc.—E. S. Broadbent.

N.W. London F.A.—Feb. 4, Stag's Head Hotel, Hawley Road, N.W., 8.30. Prize money and specials will be given out.

Perth City and County O.A.—Feb. 1, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Important.—J. L. Smith.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Jan. 30, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester. Annual meeting.—A. Percival.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Granby Hotel, pie supper and social evening, to commence 4.30 instead of 6 o'clock. Friends and fanciers welcome.—W. Jagger.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Warcing's Dining Rooms, 8. Election of officers for 1915.—G. Lord.

Reading C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Palmer Hall, 8. Judging competition, open to all members. Two prizes. Judge, Mr. Brooker. Members to try and place awards the same as Mr. Brooker.—O. Smith.

Rochdale O.C.—Feb. 1, Club, Clarke's Place, 8.—J. Butterworth.

Rossendale C.B.S.—Feb. 2, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30.—H. Wantling.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Schedules for pair show. Classes to be made. Intending members please attend.—Taylor and Dransfield.

Runcorn B.B.A.—Feb. 4, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Pair show, birds staged 6.45.—E. Rone.

Shipley O.S.—Feb. 3, Victoria Hotel, 7. General meeting; business most important.—E. Grange.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Feb. 2, Liberal Club, 8.—W. Everett.

Southampton C.B.S.—Feb. 3, Waterloo Hotel, 7.30. Final arrangements for pair show. New rules.—W. L. Page.

So. Shields.—Jan. 30, Cyprus, 7. Balance sheet and election of officers.—W. L. Smith.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Feb. 1, Commercial Hotel, 8. Business important.—S. B. Grayshon.

Sheffield O.S.—Feb. 2, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Table show; Champ. Yorks., Champ. Nor., Nov. Yorks., Nov. Nor., Crest or C.B., Nov. For., Nov. Brit. prizes, 3/-, 2/-, 1/-. Fee, 3d.; judge, W. Mundell.—E. C. Job.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Jan. 30, Headquarters, 7.30. Show business; accounts; tickets to be given in.—J. Peacock.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Wharf Hotel. Pair show, birds staged 6. Judge, Mr. W. Spencer, Hebden Bridge. Please note change of time for staging owing to early closing.—G. Mitchell.

Stoke-on-Trent.—Feb. 1, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting. Election of officers, statement of accounts, etc.—J. Pitchford.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—Feb. 4, Susannah Street Village School, 8. Canary pair show.—J. Hannah.

Watford C.B.S.—Feb. 3, 20, St. Albans Road, 8.15. Balance-sheet of open show.—W. Rackley.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Feb. 1, 6, The Broadway, 8. Federation delegate's report, distribution of cups and specials won at annual show.—G. Griffiths.

Windhill C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30 p.m. Please note alteration in the time owing to early closing order. Tea and concert arrangements. Dates and judges for members' shows, etc.—Taylor and Ellis.

Yorkshire Union of C.B.S.—Jan. 30, Market Tavern, Godwin Street, Bradford, 6. Meeting of Council. Novice medals, etc.—H. Hill.

HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.

Meeting, Jan. 21; Mr. Bowerbank presided over a fair attendance. Decided to have 31 open classes at open show, Feb. 3. Sec. announced we had been granted patronage of B.F.C.C. (medal for champion and for novice), and patronage of N.N.P.C. Having secured the services of Mr. W. C. Duncan and Mr. A. Holden, specialist judges, we hope that fanciers will give us a bumping entry; 14s. prize money for 1s. fee, and members intend to do their best to make this the best show we have had, so don't be afraid to send your best exhibits, they will receive every attention; if any exhibitor wishes his birds sent direct to the Welsh National, and will write to the sec., he will be pleased to see that they are given a supply of seed and carefully packed for their journey. Open membership fee 2s. 6d. Members please note subs. are overdue.—Wm. Tallantyre, Sec.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

Annual meeting Jan. 19, a good attendance of members. The president, Rev. C. E. Gaul, presided. Correspondence in respect of open show was dealt with, there being few complaints as to the management of same. The meeting decided that before the election of officers for the ensuing year was taken they would discuss the letter which appeared in CAGE BIRDS of the 16th of Jan., over the nom-de-plume "A.S.P." This was of a very friendly character, and resulted in a motion being carried unanimously "that we place our confidence in the officers whom we have elected." It was also decided that a letter be sent to the Press, and the same will be found in another column. The officers for 1915 were then elected, there being few changes as compared with the previous year. Votes of thanks were accorded secretary, show committee, and all who helped to make the first annual open show the success it proved to be. Three new members were nominated; we hope only the beginning of a big increase in our numbers. Decided to hold table shows, for Norwich pairs on the 2nd Feb.; Yorkshire pairs, 16th Feb.; and muling pairs and British birds, 2nd March. Members please note table show 2nd Feb.—T. Hall (Press Corresp.).

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 7, Mr. H. C. Humphries chair. Balance sheet for 1914 was presented, showing a balance on the right side of £1 1s., which was considered satisfactory, and a vote of thanks given the secretaries. Officers for 1915 elected: Mr. H. C. Humphries, chair; Mr. J. S. Fairman, vice, Mr. G. Burton, treas.; Messrs. J. Fuller and W. G. Martin, auditors; committee: Mrs. W. G. Martin, Miss Sims, W. A. Hall, W. H. Gardner, A. W. Culham, F. Childers, T. Kay, A. J. Clarke, and P. Cooper; secs., Burton Bros., 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E. Programme for 1915: Feb. 4, Pair and British show, Mar. 4, Lecture on Canary Breeding, by Mr. F. Cole. April 1, Egg Food making competition. May 6, Papers by members. June 3, F.F. show. July 1, F.F. show, Judge, Mr. J. Robson. August, no meeting. Sept 2 Arrangements for Annual Show, and Question Night. Oct. 7, Judging Competition. Nov. 4, Annual Show, Judge, Mr. J. Robson. Dec. 2, Nomination of officers for 1916. The Society will give numerous spoons for competition, and there are six cups to be competed for, the Society having decided to purchase by subscription a challenge cup for Norwich, and we hope this will be the means of inducing Norwich breeders to join us. Rule books will soon be ready. Will those members desiring to advertise in them let us know? —Burton Bros., Hon. Secs.

Questions and Answers.

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FOR RULES SEE ISSUE OF DATE JAN. 16.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

BALD CANARY (J. A. W.).—In addition to the staple diet of canary and rape, give a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut, soaked in cold milk, drained, then lightly dusted with flour of sulphur, and finally with soft sugar, every third day for a month, and on the intervening days give first a morsel of banana or a spray of green salad, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet niger, teazle, and broken groats, and on these days give also in the drinking water ten drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence. Keep in a fairly warm place, but do not overheat it, and especially see that it is not exposed to cold draughts or sudden extremes of temperature. Allow it to bathe freely whenever the weather is at all mild.

NOISY BREATHING (Constant Reader).—You must first of all see that the bird is not exposed to cold draughts or extremes of heat and cold. In addition to the staple diet give every second day half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water twenty drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, and shake well together. Twice a week give also a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and teazle. Continue this treatment for a fortnight, if necessary.

LYING ON PERCH (F. J. S.).—Keeping the bird in a comfortable temperature for a week or two would help it to pull itself together, but do not overheat it; just keep it off the chilly side. Give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a week or so, and on the alternate days a pinch of the mixed packet seed and a morsel of watercress or some other green salad, but be careful that it is not frosted or decayed. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and in the following week give instead six drops of tincture of gentian and four of aromatic sulphuric acid every second day.

WET BLANKETS (A. Laurie).—Do not pay too much heed to your discouraging friends who try to deter you from starting in the hobby of breeding Canaries, because, as they say, the hens will not feed the young. Such unnatural hens are certainly to be met with, but to tar all with the same brush on that account is silly and unjust. Besides, when they do crop up, the fault is not infrequently more the owner's than the bird's. It is impossible to give details about breeding in this column, but if you follow strictly the advice in "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which has been sent you, given normally healthy birds to begin with, you should not, and probably will not, meet with any difficulty in breeding and rearing young. The Hartz cock is probably a little down in condition, and may be quite all right before this reply reaches you. If not, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days add to the water six drops of tincture of gentian and four of aromatic sulphuric acid. A Hartz Canary should be just as active as any other.

STILL MOULTING (Feather-eater).—See that the bird is not exposed to cold draughts or sudden extremes of heat and cold. One or other of these causes is probably the cause of the bird's condition. Having attended to these points, give in addition to the staple diet half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake wih four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every third day, and on the intervening days give first a morsel of banana, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give twenty drops of this in the water every second day until the feathers cease dropping.

SOFT MOULT (Anson).—Do not allow the bird to hang too near the fireplace or a window, as it is practically impossible to maintain a fairly equable temperature in such positions. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and otherwise treat it the same as advised to "Anson" in this issue until the moulting has ceased.

NOT SINGING (E. W. C.).—I am not clear whether you mean the cock was kept in a room lit by electric light before or since he came into your possession, but in either case, if he is in a good healthy condition, he will probably resume singing as soon as he has got a little accustomed to the altered conditions. At the same time, if it is now kept in the artificial light constantly, I would advise you to try to find some other place in which to breed the birds and carry on the hobby. You may give him a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a week or so, and on the alternate days add to the water six drops of glycerine and ten of lemon juice, and also give a morsel of banana. As regards details for breeding, you cannot do better than follow implicitly the instructions given in the book sent you. The hen, which you term a white, is doubtless a buff.

DIET FOR YORKSHIRE (D. M. A.).—Vocal powers certainly depend to some extent upon a proper dietary, but no amount of dieting will turn a naturally poor singing individual into a "feathered Caruso." Besides, you cannot expect anything like the same quality of song from a Yorkshire as you would from a Roller. The following dietary will enable you to get the best out of the bird that is in it. As staple give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately twice a week half a teaspoonful of egg food, or any of the usual substitutes, and on two other days a similar quantity of seed mixture—equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats will answer the purpose quite well, or you may use one of the packet mixtures, if desired, for the sake of convenience.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Ballye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Adjourned annual general meeting, Jan. 19. The time was mainly spent in rearranging the rule book, and by other business of a purely domestic nature. Resolved to hold a pair show, Feb. 17, and sec. was instructed to write to Mr. Robson regarding judging.—A. R. Coe.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Omitted from our monthly report, Mr. J. A. Eckersley, Esq., was re-elected as president for the ensuing year. On Feb. 3, at 8.45, lecture will be given by Mr. Weaver, of Wolverhampton, on the "Management, Breeding and Exhibition of the Norwich Plainhead." Will members do their best to be present to hear what our well-known Midland fancier has to say, any fancier who is not a member is cordially invited.—A. C. Shirley.

CHELTENHAM C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 20. In presenting the annual report and balance sheet, the Hon. Sec. said that owing to the war it had been deemed advisable to cancel the open show, but that all the members' shows had been held and proved most successful; in most cases a distinct advance on the previous year. The balance sheet was also better, showing that the adverse balance of nearly £18 from the previous year had been got rid of, leaving a small balance in hand. Officers were all re-elected, except vice-chairman. Pres., Mr. W. W. Theobald; chair, Mr. J. Madagan; vice, Mr. A. Hayling; hon. sec. and treas., Mr. A. S. Treasure; hon. asst. sec. and show manager, Mr. W. Pounsett; hon auditors, Messrs. G. Stevens and J. Houghton (Gloucester).—A. S. Treasure Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESBRO' AND TEES-SIDE.

Annual meeting, Jan. 2. Balance sheet was put before the members and considered satisfactory, the society being in a very healthy condition. Officers were elected: Chair, Mr. J. Carr; Vice, Mr. T. Taylor; Treas. to be appointed at next monthly meeting; auditors, Deans and Smurthwaite. Owing to the Sec., Mr. Swinsco, removing to the Sunderland district, his resignation was accepted with regret of all members. T. C. Deans was elected hon. sec. Monthly meeting and pair show at headquarters, Crown Hotel, at 2; Mr. T. Wright judge. The Sec. would be obliged for as many entries as possible to be sent to his address on the Friday night, which will facilitate the judge. Monthly meeting at conclusion of show. Note Sec's address—T. C. Deans, 49, Stowe-st., Middlesbro'.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

Annual tea and prize distribution, Jan. 9, headquarters, White Hart Hotel. A good number of members and friends sat down to a splendid tea, after which a very enjoyable evening was spent. Mr. Cawtheray, jun., was pianist, and did excellently. Songs were rendered in fine form by Mr. Cawtheray, sen., and his two daughters, and by Messrs. A. Matheson, J. W. Coupland, and A. R. Booth. Mr. G. Wood and Miss Ellam rendered splendid recitations. Mr. W. Gledhill presented the prizes to the winners. Hearty votes of thanks having been accorded to the hostess, Mrs. Moffat, for the excellent manner in which she provided the tea, and to the artistes, the singing of the National Anthem brought a very enjoyable evening to a close. A. Lawford, Sec.

Give a spray of green food—any kind that is in season, and can be procured quite free from frost and wet—about three times a week in winter and daily in summer. When greenstuff is not seasonable, substitute a morsel of sweet fruit of some kind—banana and apple are the best. Keep cage floor strewn with clean gritty sand, and allow the bird to bathe as often as it likes in mild weather.

A TRIO (Oakleigh).—(1) I take it you mean with the birds flying loose. If so, you could allow from fifteen to twenty birds—say, five cocks and twelve to fifteen hens for breeding. This will be quite sufficient to start the season with. (2) For birds flying loose one square foot of floor space is a reasonable allowance. Height is of little moment, and should not be taken into consideration in aviaries of any ordinary size. When you want the birds to breed with any chance of success you should not start the season with more than two-thirds the full complement of stock. (3) The birds flying loose will not necessarily reduce your chances of breeding successfully with pairs confined in the breeding cage. It will depend entirely upon the temperament and condition of the caged individuals.

Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Poland.—Replied to by post.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

FEEDING A ROBIN (H.W.).—The Robin is an insect eater although occasionally partaking of a little seed, canary for preference. If you mix your own food for him the following will be suitable. Powdered Osborne biscuits, 6 parts, best ants' eggs and dried flies 2 parts, powdered silkworm pupae 1 part, meat meal ½ part, by measure. Take enough of this mixture for the day, and make crumbly moist with grated raw carrot, or cold boiled potato, or in the spring and summer some finely chopped lettuce, chickweed or water cress. Vary it frequently, adding occasionally a spot or two of new milk. Or you can purchase a good insectile mixture suitable for small insectivorous birds from some of our advertisers or possibly from a bird dealer's shop in your neighbourhood. This should be made moist in the same manner. You must also supply him occasionally with a few mealworms, beetles, or any other live food you can obtain. A small quantity of hard boiled eggs, chopped fine and mixed with the soft food will make a nice change, also a little fruit.

LINNET DOING BADLY (Novice, Oxford).—However did you manage to allow your Linnet to feed on nothing but hemp? You must have treated him wrongly at first. Hemp seed alone is not a suitable food for a Linnet, and you must certainly get him to eat something else or you will lose him. Give him first of all as much glauber salts as will cover a sixpence dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of water, then purchase an ounce of tincture of gentian and give five drops in two tablespoonfuls of water. This tonic will make him feed, and you must supply him with the mixed seed advised in the "Nutshell" book with only a very little hemp, reducing the quantity daily until he can do without it. You could also supply him with a spoonful of soaked teazel and rape. Linnets bathe freely, and if yours refuses to do so you must run him into a spare cage and spray him. Do it in the early part of the day in fine weather.

HYBRID BREEDING WITH REDPOLL (Dee Bee).—As a rule the Lesser Redpoll is a better breeder than the Mealy, although the majority of the Mealies I have tried have been breeders. As you possess both I would advise you to pair the house-moulted Lesser with the Goldfinch, and try the field-moulted Mealy with a hen Canary, then if he breeds you could possibly use him some other way another season. It is not an easy matter to sex house-moulted Redpolls. If your bird is a free singer you should feel pretty safe, but beyond this there is not much to work on, and as you have only the one specimen it makes it all the more difficult, as you cannot sex it by comparison. As a rule the cock bird is a little deeper colour than the hen, and the pencilling more dense (blacker), this also holds good round the base of the beak and bib. When you have decided about pairing your birds, let them occasionally fly together and put them in a position where they can see each other. At the end of March you can put them in their breeding quarters, and a little later supply them with suitable nest boxes, or in the case of the Goldfinch an old wicker cage or even the foundation of a Finch nest pushed in amongst a few twigs or a bunch of heather. Give them plenty of building material, moss, cow-hair, vegetable down, wool, etc. If the Finch lays you will have to remove the eggs and put them under a Canary to hatch, as British hens cannot be depended upon to incubate. Keep the perches low in your breeding cage and the bottom of the floor well covered with moss, as they frequently drop their eggs from the perches, refusing to lay in the nest, although they may have built one. The young are reared on soft food (egg and biscuit) soaked seed, and an abundance of wild food such as seeding chickweed, grass, etc.

MEATING OFF WRENS (R.).—The Wren is purely an insectivorous bird, consequently one of the most difficult to meat off. You must commence with a good supply of insects, small mealworms, maggots, or such other grubs as you can obtain. Give a few of these right away, cutting in two a few of the mealworms. Mix a little insectile mixture, with a generous supply of chopped hard boiled egg with it. Put a few of the insects on the top and press some well into the food, so that in taking these he gets a taste of the food. This you must continue until he is well on to food, when gradually decrease the supply of insects, but do not discontinue entirely. It takes some time to get these small softbills well on to food, but in this individuals differ; as an instance, I meated off a Spotted Flycatcher quite easily, he appeared to take to the food almost from the first, whereas a Whitethroat was given his liberty, as he exhausted my patience and nearly cleared me out of insects. You will not have quite so much trouble with the Tits, as most of them feed more freely on soft food, nuts, fruit, etc.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

YELLOW-RUMPED SEEDEATER (Miss Topping).—The reply sent still holds good, with simply this modification, mate it with a Canary as near its own size as possible; this may be taken as a general rule when mating Serins for cross-breeding; of course, if you wish to breed large or small crosses, then mate a small Serin with a large Canary, or a large Serin with a small Canary, but, generally speaking, if birds much of a size are mated together success is the more probable. I have not your first letter by me, but from such details as you now give, I think your bird is the Streaky-headed Seedeater—you made no mention of size in your last.

AMAZON PARROT (Orme).—The diet should be seed mixture and ripe fruit, with such extras as nuts, biscuit, stale crusts, and a little plain cake. Cuttlebone, water and grit must be continually in the cage. Do not give tea, coffee, or milk slops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. Spray it with a tepid quassia solution once a week, and dust under the wings and the lower back with insect powder. So long as the voidings are not watery-loose, put one tea-spoonful of Dunneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day; when undue looseness occurs only give the magnesia once a week; twice a week put half-a-teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water, but not on the same day as you supply the magnesia. Paint the cage over with paraffin, then, after the lapse of a couple of hours, thoroughly swill the oil off with water, boiling to begin with, finishing off with cold. Treat the perch or perches similarly, and boil the food vessels.

ALARIO FINCH, ETC. (S. A. R.).—The value of either bird is about 7s. 6d. Both species are hardy, and the Cape Canary, or Grey-necked Serin, is olive green and green strongly suffused with yellow on top of head, sides of face, breast and abdomen. Both species are excellent songsters.

AMAZONS, ETC. (F. S.).—(1) I really cannot state definitely whether *Chrysotis inornata* has been exhibited or not, but I do not think so; however, it so closely resembles the Mealy Amazon (*C. farinosa*), that most would pass it as that species. Approx. 30s. to 50s. (2) Yes, it was undoubtedly a Naked-throated Bell-bird (*G. nudicollis*) in immature plumage. (3) I think your two Parrakeets are Tovi Parrakeets (*Brotogerys jugularis*), but it is not possible to give you a definite reply without a minutely detailed description of their colouration; however, I think they are Tovis.

TO KEEP WITH FOREIGNERS (C. E. B.).—Yes, you can put with your Foreign Finches a Canary and a Linnet, and if you get a little of some good brand of Linnet mixture this will be all the addition necessary to the dietary you now supply, as the Canary will be able to pick out all it requires from the respective mixtures. I assume you are supplying green food. At this season of the year, when safe green food is not plentiful, a small piece of sweet apple, and a grape placed in a easy position for the birds to get at, make good substitutes for green food and are appreciated by the birds.

CORDON BLEU, ETC. (E. Maltby).—I must ask you to give me a few more details about the bird you wish me to name, as I must confess I am at fault as to what you mean. Are you describing a hard or softbill? Repeat query as to this part and give me all the details you can. Re Cordon Bleu, not "Gorton Blue"—they are small birds, dove-grey above and blue beneath, this applies to both sexes, but the cock has a crescentic crimson patch across the ear coverts. In many parts of England these birds live in aviaries out of doors all the year round, though a wet, raw, cold winter tries them rather severely. However, providing your county is not a northern one they should succeed well with you, providing they have room to take plenty of wing exercise and a warm weather-proof shelter to retire to at will. A few of this species are bred annually in English aviaries.

GREEN AMAZON (Mrs. D.). — Dissolve three grains of bromide of potassium in a little syrup and stir this into the drinking water (two tablespoonfuls will suffice for the day). Give three doses on successive days. Any chemist will weigh you three grain powders of the above, you had better get at least six, and whenever the bird shows any signs of an attack repeat the treatment. Give it at once six drops of tasteless castor oil, either soaked into a piece of plain cake or biscuit or anything similar, or it can be given direct to the beak from a quill. During such periods as you are not giving the bromide powders, give at least one dose (one teaspoonful in the drinking water) of Dinneford's Magnesia. If the bird is at all weak or thin give a little (half teaspoonful) of cod-liver oil emulsion on anything absorptive which the bird will eat—see other replies as to this. Do not omit to keep grit (not sand) and cuttlebone continually in the cage. Report progress about a month hence.

SUGAR BIRD (Yellow Wings).—As regards the sop, prepare this as follows: Take an ordinary tea-cup and in this mix one teaspoonful of Mellin's Food into a stiff paste with a little water, add three pieces of sponge cake about the size of a walnut, and a teaspoonful each of condensed milk and honey, pour in sufficient boiling water to half fill the cup and thoroughly stir together with a spoon—every other day for a week stir in half a teaspoonful of Dinneford's fluid magnesia before supplying to the bird. You can, of course, easily mix half the quantity if that is sufficient for you, but the sop keeps quite fresh for 24 hours. Keep this bird in your warmest room till it is fit again, yet it must have air and light without draught, and the temperature should be as even as possible. Whenever you can capture a small or medium-sized spider offer it to the bird. Also supply regularly ripe fruit, such as banana, grapes, etc., according to the season. Once acclimatised Yellow-wing Sugar-birds are quite easy to keep fit, providing you do not allow them to become over-fat; but newly imported birds need warmth and care at first.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Aradarats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

T. J. Furbur.—We do not know the address. Send a letter to him, care of the secretary of the club, at the Woodman Inn, Pontefract.

In Doubt.—The standard size of the Norwich show cage is 12in. long, 11½ high, and 4½ wide. The Crest cage is generally the same, though some exhibitors have them one inch longer and five inches wide; this has a bow top. The wire-front of a show cage for British Birds should be the same colour as the interior.

R. Graham.—Thanks for the cuttings, which we will utilise if space permits.

W. Stevens.—Your letter is much too pessimistic for publication in these times. If you buy unflighted birds, these cannot possibly have been "tested." There are hundreds of novices with splendid birds from the show point of view. How did they become possessed of them? They could not possess them if your statements had any wide application.

C. Bingham.—We are unable to deal with your communication, as you do not give your address.

Mist.—We cannot publish your letter until you give us proof that there are grounds for making the allegation therein. Whose entries were sent before the advertised date of closing and not accepted?

E. B. Drew.—Thanks for the photograph, for which we will try to find a corner in the near future.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Mrs. Speakes.—Cock Tanager, death resulted from pneumonia arising from adverse weather conditions.

Scotch Fancies.

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young birds, all colours, cocks, hens, good birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley.

TWO yellow pied and two buff cocks, two yellow and two buff pied hens: Thomson, 15, Station-rd., Craigmillar, M.L. (36)

FOR sale; some well bred birds, cocks and hens, at reasonable prices: James G. Millar, West Drumayne Farm, Govan. (1984)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, young, some good birds, cheap; approval: Hugh Howie, 29, Oswald-rd., Kirkealdy. (37)

SCOTCH Fancies, 1913 bred, yellow cock and buff hen, show cage and case, £1 lot; approval: J. Duncau, Citadel, Inverness. (38)

THREE buff pied and yellow hens from my well-known strain, also feeders: McIlwain, School Mount, Florida, Glasgow. (31)

FOR sale; 1 buff pied Scotch Fancy cock, 1 yellow first cross; good birds; cheap, approval: William Burgess, 57, Townhead, Irvine. (21)

TWELVE Scotch Fancies for sale, lot cheap to clear; or exchange Yorkshires; approval: John Hainey, 236, Armbank, Ayrshire. (32)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, Yorkshire Specialists, unbeatable 30 years, championship, best in show, Palace, 1914. Some of the best living for disposal, wonderful length and quality; approval: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

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E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

C.F. cocks 7/6, hens 5/-; all one price, on approval: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (2000)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch

FOR sale, 4 good Yorks. hens, 12/- the lot: H. Riley, 21, Bennett-st., Skipton, Yorks. (33)

YORKSHIRES, buffs, yellows, singing strong, from 7/6: A. Challis, 4, Wolsey Avenue, East Ham. (34)

SIX unflighted Yorkshire cocks, 6/- each; four hens, 4/- each, or 50/- lot: T. Barlc, Pateley Bridge. (34)

I HAVE few typical yellow cocks left to spare, also few cheap hens: Knight, Beech Holt, Shelford, Cambs. (29)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

YORKSHIRES, reducing stock, a few cocks for sale, cheap: Dunn, 24, Kennedy Drive, Partick, Glasgow. (15)

TWO pairs self Yorkshire Cinnamons, very rare, 15/- a pair; approval: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

FORTY Yorkshire cocks, 7/6 each, no higher price; hens 3/- each; come, pick them: Stake, 72, Briggate, Brighouse. (32)

E. A. LOVELL has few Yorkshires for disposal; cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, upwards: 24, Islington-rd., Southville, Bristol. (1997)

BUFF cock, 7/6; see Poplar and St. James-the-Less reports for quality; approval: Marhoff, 1, Stanfield-rd., Bow. (29)

HIGH class Yorkshire cocks, cold room bred, from 12/6; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting Junction. (1976)

SELL or exchange for anything useful, Spaniel dog, 4 years old, will work gun: Owen, Castle Ground, Flint. (29)

FIVE days' approval, two buff Yorkshire cocks, two buff hens, 12/6 lot: J. Appleton, 27, Albion-terr., Hebden Bridge. (36)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6; stamp reply: Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (21)

FOR sale, prize bred Yorkshires, yellows and buffs, cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/6: Miss P. Philcox, Pre Fleuri, Horsell, Woking. (1992)

FIFTY Yorkshire hens in breeding condition, 3/6 each, 2 for 6/-, 4 for 10/6: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

FIVE pairs of good Yorkshires for sale, cold-room bred, 7/6 a pair; approval: Miles, 12, Feather-st., Park Wood-st., Keighley. (31)

SIX long stylish unflighted hens, Crisp and Hawes' strain, 5/- to 10/- each; Hannaford, 65, St. Quintin-aven., North Kensington.

LOOK! Yorkshire pairs (1914), yellow cock, buff hen, at 10/-; good value, stamped reply: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. (1977)

THREE clear buff, 2 buff ticked, and two yellow Yorkshire hens, unflighted, 3/6 each; offers lot: W. Ayers, 28, York-st., Jarrow. (39)

SMART yellow cock, unflighted, slashing big bird, grand stock bird, 10/6: Clingo, 201, St. Benedicts-rd., Small Heath, Birmingham. (37)

CINNAMON marked buff Yorkshire cock, unflighted, grand stock, 7/6; ticked yellow, slim cock, 7/6: 24, Padiham-rd., Burnley. (20)

SPLENDID pair second-season birds, prize-bred, buff cock, green hen, 10/6, worth double: Ellis, Boot Manufacturer, Welshpool. (41)

FOR sale, 1914 unflighted yellow and buff Yorks. cocks, 8/6 each; hens 5/-: M. Cobley, 69, High-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (27)

THREE buff, three yellow, one cinnamon-marked Yorkshire hens, 2/6 each, 16/- lot; bargain: Devine, Maple-avenue, Convent-lane, Hull. (33)

NOTICE: Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1791)

CLEAR yellow cock, 12/-; five clear buff hens, all prize bred, 8/6 each; approval; cash or deposit: Woodrow, Maston-st., Shaftesbury. (29)

BEAUTIFUL 1914 cock Canary, deep rich yellow, ready for pairing, 10/6; bargain: Nicholls, "Claremont," Cavendish-rd., Merton, Surrey. (38)

YORKSHIRE cocks, cheap, warranted good, strong birds, cold room, on full song, 5/-, 7/6 upwards: Adjutant, 23, Hawthorne-st., Barnsley. (30)

YORKSHIRES, buff cocks and hens, from 7/6 upwards; lovely feather, good upstanding birds, pairs 12/6: Craven, Yelverton-terrace, Plymouth. (15)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire cocks, from 8/-; hens from 5/-; bred from my winners; any evening after 6: H. F. Bowring, 67, Everington st., Fulham.

YORKSHIRES, cin. var. buff cock, 2nd East Ham, 12/6; green var. buff cock, 2nd Leyton, 15/6: R. Baxter, 98, Dames-rd., Forest Gate, E. (29)

FEW first-class Yorkshires from 12/6 pair; several typical yellow hens cheap; seen by appointment: Rorke, 50, Ringmer-avenue, Munster-rd., Fulham.

L. JEBSON, Wood-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield, has few good Yorkshires for sale, state wants: satisfaction guaranteed: seen any time. (32)

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ABOUT 25 for sale, three yellow cocks, several buff, all unflighted, 7 inches long, 20/- and 25/- each; others from 7/6: Richards, Ashton Fields, Bromsgrove. (28)

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TWO pairs Yorkshires, healthy birds; cocks, singing grand, 8/- pair; also few Borders, 7/- pair; approval, deposit: William Todd, Oddfellows-st., Egremont, Cumberland. (34)

FINE Yorkshire Canaries, my winning strain, guaranteed full song; cocks 5/-, racy hens 3/-; no swank; 7 days' approval cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (24)

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YOUNG healthy colour-fed exhibition Yorkshires, cocks in full song, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 3/6; at home 6 to 9 weekdays, all day Saturday and Sunday: 222, Ribblesdale-rd., Streatham. (26)

HIGH class Yorkshires; my winning strain; cocks, guaranteed full song, 5/-, quality hens 3/-; no fancy prices; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (24)

WANTED, 2 buff Yorks. hens, exchange Irish Terrier bitch, sire Ch. Tippery Tyke, dam by Ch. Paymaster; sell 30/-; approval; birds first: Naylor, Bangor-st., West Hartlepool. (31)

I HAVE some grand Yorks for disposal; cocks and hens in clears or marks; very reasonable prices; pairs from 10/-; approval: G. Simeson, 63, Beaconsfield-st., Acomb, York. (4)

SIX pairs of large colour fed Yorkshires, bred from winners, grand birds, cocks alone worth more money, 8/6 a pair, 50/- the lot; approval: North, Breeder 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

YORKSHIRES, well-known buff-marked winning cock, 1913, 25/-; ditto, ticked cock, 1914, winner, 25/-; two yellow hens, 5/- each; approval: Wills, Fireman's Cottage, Wadebridge. (39)

BEING under colours, compelled to part with 10 pairs fine typical young Yorkshires, 8/6 pair, or £3 the lot; money with Editor: Chamberlain, Finkle-lane, Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire. (1972)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, typical cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Priestley, 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (29)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, grand typical cocks from 5/-, matched pairs 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1979)

WANTED, 2 thorough good pairs Yorkshires in exchange for banjo (zither) made by Temlett, London, splendid condition; sell 35/-; approval, Canaries first: Butt, 201, Forton-rd., Gosport, Hants. (34)

H. C. HEDWORTH, Dudley-rd., Grantham, through having to leave his house, has to part with all his Yorkshires; 18 cocks from 8/6 each, 9 hens from 4/-; approval deposit, or what offer for the lot? (35)

I HAVE some grand Yorkshire Canaries, prize strain, clears and marked, cocks and hens; cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/- each; on approval: A. Johnson, Verona House, Brompton, Northallerton. (28)

GRAND Yorkshire yellow cock, 6/6; few variegated yellow cocks, 6/-; three 1913 cocks, 2 yellows, 1 buff, 8/6 each; yell. hens, clears, and varieg., 4/6 upwards: Jeffrey Cass, Quick Close, Melbourne, Derby. (36)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, all from prize winners, cocks from 6/6, hens from 3/6 and upwards, show or stock birds, on approval, cash or deposit: G. Hymas, 2, Bells-yd., Mansfield. (1978)

SEVERAL long stylish yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, good hens 3/6, 5/-, 6/- matched pairs 12/-, 15/-, 18/-; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey.

TWO unflighted yellow Yorkshire green cocks, both won 1st at Halifax O.S. and Sowerby Bridge, 7/6 each or exchange anything for home or family; approval: Thornton, Gold-st., Boothtown, Halifax. (31)

CONTENTS of bird-room, including breeding and flight cages, nest pans, etc.; also 5 pairs high-class Yorkshires, for sale cheap; approval, deposit: Fred Hobson, Elm-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (33)

JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type, and quality; cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval, carriage paid: Tobacconist 48 Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (39)

HIGH class Yorkshire Canaries. Having selected my breeding stock, I have a few very excellent birds of both sexes to dispose of; price according to quality; no dealers: Horace Harvey, Churchgate, Spalding. (26)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7ins. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (40)

MRS. HURN-DYKE (late exhibitor) offers high-class specimens in Yorkshires, Norwich, and Rollers, 25/- to £5; first-rate songsters (guaranteed same blood), 12/6, hens 5/-: Bolstead Nurseries, Streatham. (29)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (3)

H. J. CHITTENDEN has splendid yellow stock cock and buff hen to match, grand pair, 25/-; also buff cock and yellow hen, 25/-; these are worth your attention; approval; see Norwich: 53, Carlisle-st., Manningham. (40)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from my winners, good unflighted cocks and hens cheap; also buff cock and yellow cock, both winners, 12/6 and 15/-; inspection invited: S. Ferguson, Grocer, 129, Raplock-st., Larkhall. (42)

HIGH class Yorkshires, winning strain, yellows and buffs, cocks 7/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, hens 5/- upwards; large stock birds from 12/6 to 30/- each; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (34)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, unflighted clear yellow cock, gem, 20/-; real good long 1913 clear buff cock, 20/-; clinking clear buff hen, 7 inches, 15/-; approval: Ernest Radley, Paradise Square, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (34)

MR. A. L. HAWKES, Senr., being unable to give his exhibition stock of Yorkshires proper attention on account of his being away on active service, offers any or all at a great sacrifice; see other advertisements. (41)

FANCIERS; my birds have won Y.C.C.A. competition, "Cage Birds" £2 special, Yorkshire Union, Amateur Medal; I have some decent birds for sale: Write, stating wants, J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, nr. Huddersfield. (41)

C. CATTELL, Breeder and Exhibitor high-class Yorkshires; few good pairs for disposal, bred from winners Newcastle, Gatesbead, etc.; cocks 7/6, hens 5/-, pairs 12/6 upwards; approval: 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (24)

SIX long, slim, Yorkshire cocks, from champion strain, lovely plumage and condition, yellow or buff, 6/6; approval, inspection, except Saturdays; also champion Norwich: Hitchen, 10, Orrell-rd., Lamberhead Green, Wigan. (35)

GRAND Yorkshires for sale, 1914, 15/- pair; approval: J. B. Lenton, Market Deeping, Lincs. (25)

YORKSHIRES, yellow, buff and variegated, 10/6 pair; wanted, good yellow Norwich hen: Christie, 4, Seaforth-rd., Aberdeen. (24)

TYPICAL winning unflighted yellow Yorkshire hen, a gem all over, won several honours, 2nd, and two 1sts since Christmas, 10/-; another of equal merit, shown once, 7/6; worth treble; must sacrifice: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (41)

YORKSHIRES, room wanted for breeding, must clear, cocks 6/6, 7/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6 each; correctly matched pairs proportionate, every bird my own breeding; honestly worth double; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (15)

MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (27)

1913 YELLOW cock, 10/-; 1914 buff cock, 6/-; 1913 yellow hen, 6/-; 1914 yellow hen, 5/-; 1913 buff hen, 5/-; the above are of good type and feather, and bred from winners; see reports; approval willingly: Clee, Ironmonger, Treharris. (20)

SMART yellow cock, full length, paired to nice buff hen, will breed winners, 17/6; two very lengthy 1914 buff cocks, 12/6 each; hens to mate, 5/- each; spare cocks, full song, 7/6 upwards; hens, 5/-, all bred from winners; approval, deposit: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (15)

FIFTY upstanding Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, bred from my winners, cold-room, seen any evening; approval willingly, deposit; cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (20)

16 SMART Yorkshire hens for disposal; wanted offers cash or exchange for lot, or will separate, also wanted long typical Yorks. buff cock, tight in feather, will give cash or two yellow Norwich cocks: Cooper, Rectory-avenue, Gainsborough. (39)

TWO long slim yellow Yorkshire hens, 1914 bred, feathered like silk, bred from winners and sure to breed winners, price 6/- each, or 11/- the two; buff cock to match, grand bird, winner 12/6; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

TWO grand upstanding unflighted buff Yorkshire hens, grand position, feathered like pot, 5/- each, 9/- the two, bred from winners; yellow cock to match, 10/6, worth three times the money; approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

F. SNELL, winner of the Yorkshire cup, open 1913, and best feather cup 1914, Plymouth show, and numerous other prizes. Have for sale several really good buff and yellow cocks, for exhibition or stock; reasonable prices; state requirements: 92, Salisbury-road, Plymouth. (37)

MR. HAWKES offers that typical unflighted buff Yorkshire cock, very long, lengthy, smart, leggy specimen, 1st Stratford this month; also winning yellow cock, of exceptional merit, 15/- each; could not obtain its like elsewhere under £3 3/-; 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (41)

CLEAR buff cock, red-hot colour, A1 position, feathered like a Java, standard length, can win, only 10/6; a lovely upstanding yellow hen to match, 1914 bred, 7/6, 15/- the pair to clear, worth double; approval, cash or deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

YORKSHIRES.—G. A. Parker has some of the best own breeding winner of four cups 1914, many firsts and specials; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6 to 20/-; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 9/6 to 15/-; a few good Norwich Cinnamon, late Judge Dobson's strain; cocks, 7/6 to 20/-; hens, 7/6 to 15/-; pairs, 12/6 to 25/-; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 17, Litchfield Avenue, Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (1990)

CYRIL BROWN, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe, winner of 250 prizes, cups, medals, has the whole of his exhibition stock of Yorkshires to dispose of cheap (clearing out); cocks, yellow or buff, 10/6, 12/6 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; hens 5/-, 7/6 10/6, 12/6; satisfaction guaranteed; approval 3 days. (28)

JONES & CHESTER have for sale eleven clear buff Yorkshire cocks, five buff hens, three yellow hens, good type and quality, have been very carefully bred with a little Belgian blood, for style and shape, all healthy; cocks 7/6, 10/-, hens 6/-, 8/-; 31, Princess-st., Chester. (38)

YORKSHIRES, 1913 yellow cock, 20/-; yellow marked, 20/-; buff, 20/-; grand stock birds; also a few unflighted yellow and buff cocks from 7/6 to 20/-; yellow and buff hens from 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; approval, deposit: Clarence Beaumont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (41)

SELLING out entire stock of winning Yorkshire Canaries and all utensils, as I intend removing; surplus stock 7/- a pair, matched pairs, to breed winners, 8/- and upwards, or in one lot for a quick clearance; stamp reply; for further particulars: Gill, 136, Chapelhouse-rd., Nelson, Lancashire. (30)

DOWNHEARTED! No! Only making room for breeding Yorkshires; clear yellow cock, red hot, smooth as a bullet, open winner, 21/-; extra large buff cock, smooth front, round head, ideal stock bird, 15/-; two unflighted yellow cocks, good length, position, and style, 12/6 each; twenty buff hens (some winners), teeming with type and quality, 4/- to 10/- each; approval: Greenslade (B.F.A. Supt.), 531, Fishponds-rd., Fishponde, Bristol. (39)

WHAT OFFER

for 6 pairs of grand Yorkshires, one lot or separate; few old hens, seen any evening; approval, deposit: J. Batten, 60, Smeaton-rd., Southfields, S.W. (37)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Stock and show birds, the best obtainable, no fancy prices, all on ten days' approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire. (32)

COMPULSORY SALE

Yorkshires, Ambler's strain; unflighted buff, winner, 20/-; unflighted yellow, winner, 15/-, stock pairs 10/-, upwards, odd hens from 3/-; approval, deposit; state wants, stamp reply: Alcock, 7, Clarence-st., Basford, Stoke-on-Trent. (27)

J. E. PINNOCK

winner Glasgow North-West Challenge, also Penman cup, and many other prizes at all the leading shows, being over-stocked, has several really good Yorkshires for sale, stock or show; reasonable; approval to fanciers: 6, Palm-st., Glasgow. (58)

OGDEN BROS.

WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

MIDLAND CHAMPION STRAIN

Winner over 1,000 prizes; still a few really fine birds; absolute gifts; pairs 10/- to 20/-; single birds proportionate, not quarter value; extraordinary opportunity for beginners; approval: Wells, Helmside, Erdington, Birmingham. (4)

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

can spare a few choice pairs of Yorks, related to our winners; see Y.U. shows; single birds proportionate; prices reasonable; cinnamon marks a speciality: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (3)

THE IRISH NON-SUCH

High-class Yorkshires cheap; state wants and price; enclose stamped envelope for a reply: M. Fleming, junr., Ligoniel, Belfast. (1998)

J. L. WEEKES

has some grand Yorkshires for sale; feathered like wax; cocks 10/-, hens 6/- upwards; one extra clear yellow unflighted, also marked yellow unflighted, both gems; can win novice; 45/- each; approval: 22, Cross Guns-st., Bates Hill, Dudley. (35)

SUTCLIFFE & SONS FOR VALUE

If you want to breed winners buy direct from the breeder; same strain as our National winners; state wants; approval; stamp for reply: 1, Back Kitson-st., and 21, Valley-rd., Windhill, Shipley, Yorks.

BINGHAM & FURNESS

winners of the Sheffield challenge cup, 1907, 1909, 1913 and 1914; also Walkley cup 1913 and 1914; have some good birds to dispose of cheap; cocks, 5/6, 7/6 and 10/- each; hens, 3/6, 5/-, and 7/- each; pairs from 8/- upwards; inspection invited: 433, Hawthorn-rd., Hillsboro, Sheffield.

I WILL GIVE £50

if I cannot prove any of following statements: That I have bred and exhibited more winners this season, and for years past, than any other exhibitor of Yorkshires; during the last five seasons I have won nearly 400 first prizes (almost double the number of any others) at all the largest shows ever held. Now, you Yorkshire Kings, this is a splendid opportunity. I have again won the Yorkshire Cup, the Green-marked Trophy, the Yorkshire Canary Trophy, the Yorkshire Union Competition, and "Cage Birds" Competition; also cup best in show, Bradford National, and several other cups and spls. too numerous to mention. I have the largest collection of high-class Yorkshires ever seen in one room, not all for sale (as I am the largest breeder of the variety in Bradford), and I have hundreds of testimonials from leading exhibitors, whom I have sold winners, and stock birds to breed them. The above record speaks for itself. Some grand birds for sale, bred from my noted winners, and for length, type, and quality, cannot be equalled, and matched to perfection, all cold room bred and kept; pairs 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; odd birds in proportion: inspection invited, or kindly state wants; all birds sent on a full week's approval; cash or deposit: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, 16, Shann-st. Bolton Woods, Bradford. (33)

H. H. TOWERS

Winner Cinnamon-marked £10 10/- Competition, etc., and at all the leading shows; must reduce stock preparatory to breeding; some excellent pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and upwards; speciality, cinnamon-marked hens, the kind to introduce quality and feather into your room; on approval, cash or deposit; note new address: 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

Yorkshires & Norwich

Just our testimonial cut of scores received lately: From 3, Tennant St., Whitfield, Coatbridge, Jan. 12, 1915.—The Buff hen I purchased from you last season bred me a yellow cock that won the cup this season. I am highly pleased, and will recommend you to all I know requiring good birds.—J. McCallum to J. Taylor. Grand, long, slim yellow or Buff Yorkshire Cocks at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each. All on full song, and seven inches long. Pairs, matched to breed winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- per pair. In Clears, Ticked, Green-marked, and Cinnamon-marked. Colour-fed and natural colour. Cold-room bred and kept. Extra good Yellow or Buff Yorkshire hens, at 3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each. Also large stock of big Norwich Plainheads at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, day and gaslight songsters. Also some good Crests and Crestbreds very reasonable. State wants, or send for my illustrated Price List post free. **Easy Payments:** Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for Illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.

J. TAYLOR,

36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

T. BENNETT

the Yorkshire Canary King, is again offering a few choice birds, both exhibition and stock, at less than traders' prices; every bird his own breeding, from his noted winning strain of 30 years' standing, winner of more prizes than any Yorkshire fancier with birds own breeding; again "bang at the top" (see reports of all Yorkshire Union shows). Remember, no bought or claimed winners here. Inspection invited, or birds on approval: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. (3)

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES

Direct from our noted strain; yellows or buffs; cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 30/- each; hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each; show cages, 2/- each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; and 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Various Canaries.

FINE yellow-green cock, 15/-; large ticked buff hen, 5/-; cash, deposit: Popple, 38, Mersey-rd., Widnes. (36)

GRAND songsters, full song, cold-room bred, 6/-; 4 buff hens, 10/-; genuine: Atkin, 5, Pleasant-terr., Intake, Sheffield. (32)

A FEW good bred Crests, Norwich and Cinnamons for sale; on approval: Thomas Dixon, Pioneer-terr., Bedlington Station. (30)

FOR sale, a pair of good Yorkshires, 10/6; pair of good Norwich, 10/6; approval: Smith, 2, Newfoundland-st., Darlington. (41)

FOR sale or exchange, lovely pairs of Yorkshires and Norwich at 12/-; approval: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (25)

GOOD extra large Cinnamon 1914 hen, 15/-; pair good Yorkshire greens, 15/-: Levatino, 12, Fosterrd., Chiswick, London. (33)

A BARGAIN, 3ft. Crystal Palace aviary and 3 pairs of Canaries, 50/-, in good conditiou: A. B., 46, Salisbury-rd., High Barnet. (24)

PAIR 1913 Norwich, 7/6; pair 1913 Borders, 7/-; pair 1914 Yorkshires, 10/-; Crested crossbred cock, 1914, 5/-: Taylor, 33, Prospect-terrace, Aberdeen. (28)

HIGH-CLASS Gold and Silver cocks, including our winners, from 10/- each; pairs from 15/-; approval: J. Green and Sons, 256, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs.

COMPULSORY sale, Norwich and Borders, cocks and hens, any colour, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, all healthy, typical birds, 1914: 49 Wordhorn-rd., Ashington, Northumberland. (40)

1914 CLEAR yellow Norwich cocks, Yorkshires in yellow and buff-marked, 5/- each, colour-fed, cold room bred: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Helden Bridge. (1993)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, has some really grand Yorkshires and Norwich, the oldest and best strains in England; letter from Wales says: "You certainly send best value seen in these parts." (41)

FOR sale 160 Canaries, 32 Crest and Cresthred, 68 Norwich, 10 Yorkshires, about equal cocks and hens, price £40 the lot; many of them colour fed; worth double the money: E. Homer, The Aviary, Bognor, Sussex. (18)

HIGH-CLASS, large buff cock, 10/6, winner; also 2 yellow cocks, 10/6 each; fine birds, worth double; own showing and breeding; also others, state wants; approval, deposit: W. Dix, 67, Hall-rd., Norwich. Inspection invited. (34)

FOR sale, champion Yorkshire cocks, 12/6, 15/6, 20/-; also hens, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; Norwich cock, cinnamon Norwich, also Borders and green cinnamon Borders, six days' approval; breeder and exhibitor 25 years: Mr. J. M. Walker, 2, Victoria-buildings, Low Row, Sunderland. (33)

WHITE CANARIES

ONE pair Canaries, guaranteed bred whites, £2; one white Canary, £2; several cocks and hens, half-bred whites; cocks 7/6, hens 5/- each: Hall, 31, Fountain-st., Macclesfield. (17)

SPECIAL SONGSTERS

Buy pure-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, Mules, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 3d.; approval: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

100 SINGING NORWICH & YORKSHIRES

5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; all guaranteed cocks; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-: Sandiford Bird Specialist, Preston; and 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

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Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous Issue, Page, and Column are stated by the advertiser. ADVT. MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS."

MULES—HYBRIDS.

WANTED a large quantity of Mules and Hybrids: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (32)

PIN-EYED hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

WANTED, Mules in full song: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

LINNET-Greenfinch Hybrid, exchange for Light Mule, or offer.: A. Foley, 4, Picton st., New Bolitham, Lincoln. (27)

DARK Goldfinch Mule cock, 3rd novice L.P.O.S., with sister, 12/6 pair: Snow, 7, Redvers-terrace, Mortlake, S.W. (38)

TO exhibitors, Hybrid-breeders, 6 of the finest Bullfinch hens alive, certain breeders, 2/- each: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (39)

GOOD cock Linnet Mule, 8/6; cock Goldfinch Mule, 8/6, singing; hen Goldfinch Mule, 1/-: T. Stevens, 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdare. (32)

FIRST prize winner, yellow marked cock Goldfinch-Canary Mule 20/-; another, dark one, 10/-: W. Backlog, Foley-rd., Wymondham. (27)

THREE large mulighted Lancashire-Norwich cross buff hens, 4/- each; approval, deposit: Pringle, 66, Buchanan-st., Stockton-on-Tees. (33)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

ONE Linnet Mule, in full song, and one Goldfinch Mule, in song, the pair 15/-; or exchange for cock Roller: F. Moore, 7, Townfield-st., Chelmsford. (11)

HOUSE moulted (twice) cock Goldfinch, bred Light Mules, can win, 10/-; sib yellow hen to match, 5/6; approval. North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1852)

TWO cock Linnet mules, 1 cock Goldie mule, full song, pure notes, 7/6 each; exchange hen Canaries: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (31)

GRAND lot of Mules and Hybrids, also sib-breds and selected Muling birds for sale; special list free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.

BARGAIN, Greenfinch Redpoll cock, winner 1st, and sp., see "Cage Birds" front; sacrifice 22/6, worth double: Hasler, 17, Baddow-rd., Chelmsford, Essex. (34)

NOTICE, wanted Yorkshire Canaries, hens, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches: Blackett, 2, Pool-st., New North-rd., London. (29)

WANTED, cock Mules, on full song, in exchange for high-class stock or exhibition Norwich Plainheads, mutual approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1969)

SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

EIGHT Norwich cock Canaries, 3/6, 4/- each, hens 2/-; two cock Linnet Mules, 4/- each; cock Linnet, Norwich hen, matched, 3/6 pair: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (41)

TWO large exhibition cock Greenfinch Mules, winners, 10/- each, or exchange toy Yorkshire Terrier bitch or large Norwich hens: J. McLarnon, 19, Dunmoyle-st., Belfast. (34)

TWO large cock Mules, Goldfinch and Greenfinch, both winners, 10/6 each; house moulted cock Goldfinch, proved muler, 8/6; approval: Robinson, Boot Maker, Winsford, Cheshire. (35)

LARGE pink-eyed sib-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, yellows 7/6, buffs 5/6; cocks, full song, gems, 7/6 each; ten days approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (32)

NOTICE, special offer; monster clear and variegated buff Norwich hens, make champion mulers, only 5/-, 7/6, 10/- and 15/ each; all strong and healthy, cold room bred, satisfaction guaranteed, approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (20)

TIME, trouble, and money saved! Upon receipt of 1d. stamp, we will send you post free one dozen advertisement forms, and one dozen addressed envelopes. To the regular advertiser—and it is the regular advertiser that makes money,—these will be very useful: The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

BARGAIN, 3 cock Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 1914 beauties, 3 cocks, 3 hen Canaries, 1 h.m. cock Linnet; all cocks full song; 2 double, 4 single cages, quantity of cage wood (make 1 double, 2 singles), all utensils complete, all trimmed ready for breeding season. 50/- the lot: 12, Ellen-st., Droylsden, Manchester. (27)

LARGE dark yellow Goldfinch Mule, £6 6/-; dark yellow Siskin Mule, £2 10/-; dark yellow Greenie Mule, £1 10/-; light yellow Goldfinch Mule, £3 3/-; light buff Goldfinch Mule, £1 10/-; the above are all great winners; also 3 dark Linnet Mules, good songsters, 7/6 each; one hen Hybrid Goldie-Bullie, winner, 7/6; note the address: Robert Jamieson, junr., 45, High-st., Linlithgow. (40)

TO MULERS.—Lovely variegated yellow Goldfinch Mule 30/-, dark ditto 20/-, parents of above topping Goldfinch, yellow Norwich hen will take 15/- pair; another grand pair, bred mules 1914, take 13/6 pair; splendid Linnet and Sib. hen, bred good mules, 11/6 pair; grand large dark 1914 Linnet-Mule, 12/6: Morris, 24, Meyrick-st., Pembroke Dock. (31)

DOES THE FOLLOWING INTEREST YOU?

Exhibition and singing Mules, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, also choice and reliable hens for light or dark Mule breeding, 3/6, 5/-: cage 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

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WANTED to purchase, any kind of Talking Parrots for cash: Stephens, West Drayton. (31)

A SPLENDID pair Senegal Parrots 50/- pair; John Mace, Naturalist, Exchange-st., Sheffield.

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BUDGERIGARS, adult Greens, 4/- a pair; Yellows, 5/- to clear; outdoor: Lloyd, Sun Insurance Agent, Kington, Herefordshire. (36)

BLUE Budgerigar, cock, perfect in colour, health, markings, outside open aviary, 2 years, £5: Pickles, Stoncyhurst, Morecambe. (32)

COCK Budgerigars 2/6, hens 3/-, 5/- pair, mostly finger tame, outdoor aviary: Simpson, Westbourne House, Avenue-rd., Isleworth. (35)

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OUTDOOR aviaries, 10/-, 15/-; pair Larks, 3/-; Budgerigar, 2/-, etc.; offers, must sell: Rogers, 36, Turnpike-lane, Hornsey. (21)

THREE good cock mules, Goldfinch-Green-Lineta-Linnet and buff Norwich cock, £1 lot: Bogie, 145, Oveston-rd., Kirkcaldy. (39)

NORWICH cocks, 5/6 each; buff hens, 3/-; cock Linnet Mule, 6/6; singing; approval: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (29)

MASSIVE green Crested hen, 7/6; buff Yorkshire hen, 4/6; cock Goldfinch, 4/6; Linnet, 1/6: Pearce, 64, Coleman-rd., Camberwell, London. (24)

YORKSHIRE, Norwich and Borders, cocks in full song, 6/6, 7/6; hens for breeding conditions, 2/6, 3/6, approval: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (34)

COCK Goldfinch Mule, 8/6; cock Linnet Mule, 8/6; both need catching; Norwich 6/-, hens 3/-; Yorkshire hens 4/; approval: Lea, 55, Waterloo-square, Camberwell. (28)

H.M. Goldfinch and Canary-reared hen Greenfinch, and two prize-bred yellow Yorkshire cock Canaries; what offers or exchange: W. H. N., St. John's Stores, West-st., Midhurst, Sussex. (42)

SACRIFICE four 1914 Goldfinch Mules, three cocks, one hen Wycombe, 1913 Yorkshire cock, two 1914 ditto, four Yorkshire hens, 1914, grand condition, 50/- lot, or separate; approval: Burnham, 67, Totteridge-rd., High Wycombe. (38)

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Canaries, large Norwich hens, buff and variegated, 5/6, 6/6; Norwich cocks, 8/6, 10/6; Border Fancy hens, buff, 2/6, 3/6; Border Fancy cocks, 6/6; Linnets, grand birds, large and well marked, 1/-; cock Bullfinches, 2/6; hens, large, tame, and in perfect plumage, 2/-; green Budgerigars, yellow Budgerigars, Cutthroats, 3/6 pair; Cockatiels, very fine, 12/6 pair; Bishops, 3/6: Chinese Buntings, 3/- each: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (12)

WANTED.

WANTED, large typical Norwich, state price: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (32)

WANTED foreign stamps in exchange for cock Canaries: Thompson, 159, Beach-st., Deal. (40)

WANTED, Parrots, Cockatoos, and Foreign birds: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (34)

WANTED, Mules, Canaries and British: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

WANTED, for cash good night Lark net, cheap: W. Ball, 43, Milton-rd., Wealdstone, Middlesex. (37)

WANTED, two Roller cocks; exchange two pairs of Lizards: Wallis, Bilsby, Alford, Lincolnshire. (27)

WANTED, accurate B.S.A. rifle, will exchange, or part, good British: Gardner, Hawkshead, Hatfield. (33)

WANTED, good Yellow Bunting, Bullfinch, and Linnet hens: Wm. Potter, Printer, Lingfield, Surrey. (31)

WANTED, Yorkshires and Geram Roller Canaries, lowest price for prompt cash: Manager, Bird Stores, Ossett. (24)

WANTED for cash, Canaries and Mules, either sex, state lowest price: Robinson, 33, Besson-st., New Cross, London. (39)

WANTED, a large quantity of all kinds of Canaries and British, also talking Parrots: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydill. (1995)

WANTED, Yorkshire, colour-fed; give 6/6 pair; deposit cash; also Mules; stamp reply: Oliver, 2, Bridport-pl., Hoxton. (5)

WANTED, offers in Canaries for all-wool Scotch blankets, or sell 25/-: Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (39)

WANTED singing cocks, 1914, give 2 Seifert or Yorkshire hens 1914, 6 hens 12/-: Dearden, 123, Passmons, Rochdale. (37)

WANTED, good gramophone; exchange Yorkshires, 15/- pair; all related to winners: Andrew Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (36)

WANTED, any quantity of British birds, also Canaries; state price: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham. (40)

WANTED, pair Crossbills, also extra large cock Hawfinch; state lowest price: Coe, 18, Caldervale-rd., Clapham Park, S.W. (27)

WANTED, good Norwich hen; exchange mahogany Crystal Palace aviary, good condition: R. W. Gray, 6, Otley-terr., Darlington. (33)

WANTED, Canaries, British Birds Dogs, Pigeons, Mice, Parrots, Monkeys; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (40)

WANTED typical white Canary, cock or hen, from pure white strain only: D. Sulman, 18, Southwood-lane, Highgate, London, N. (29)

WANTED singing cock Canaries, exchange large Crystal Palace aviary, as new, or sell: Hasler, 17, Baddow-rd., Chelmsford, Essex. (34)

WANTED, large unflighted yellow Norwich cock; exchange Yorkshire hens or part British; on approval: R. Pinnell, Warminster. (31)

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WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1989)

YORKSHIRE cock, 1914, full song, cold room, week's aproval; letters only: Inman, 1a, Bassett-st., Kentish Town, London, N.W. (12)

WANTED two good feeding hens, Rollers or Borders; exchange two large cock Goldfinches: Mawson, Lane Ends, Sherburn Hill, Durham. (28)

WANTED four singing cock Yorkshires; exchange Granville typewriter, sound condition: Everett, 39, Exeter-rd., Becktou-rd., Canning Town. (41)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per doz.; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

WANTED, Goldfinches from catcher, give 20/- doz. cocks, 6/- doz. hens; also Linnets, Bullfinches, Chaffinches: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (40)

WANTED, good Yorkshire Canaries, in exchange for prize-bred exhibition Flying Homers, bussey Bros., Hollies-cottages, Cheddleton, Staffs. (39)

WANTED, for prompt cash, Yorkshires, Canaries, Mules; state price, if colour fed: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford, London.

WANTED, singing Norwich cock, in exchange for pair gent's "Sun" roller skates and case, worth 10/-: Purcell, 41, Elsinore-rd., Forest Hill, S.E. (29)

WANTED, few healthy Canaries, would purchase small stock from anyone giving up breeding, but must be cheap: Hayward, Church-st., Chard, Somerset. (36)

WANTED, Nightingale, Blackcap, Wood Wren, cinnamon-marked buff Yorkshire hen; no fancy prices: letters to: Alsop, 12, North Castle-st., Halifax. (38)

WANTED, good large clear yellow or buff Norwich cock; exchange buff cock and yellow marked hen, sell 17/6; offers: Bendall, 62, Bruford rd., Wolverhampton. (29)

WANTED good British; exchange high-class Yorks. or Norwich, or state prices for good birds; Bankers, London City and Midland: North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (39)

WANTED, weekly, 50 Goldfinches, 50 Bullfinches, 50 Linnets, 50 Redpolls, 50 Canaries, 50 Mules; established over 20 years.—T. Green, 22, St. Michael-st., West Bromwich. (37)

WANTED, good Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also good Linnets, Siskins, Goldfinches and Bullfinches; a good price given for good birds; approval: Vance, 6, Stirling-st., Glasgow. (26)

WANTED, small toy Yorkshire Terrier or Pom stud dog; exchange 5 grand pairs of Yorkshires, some winners, sell £1 a pair: Broomfield, 275, Herbert-rd., Small Heath, Birmingham. (27)

WILL buy for cash any quantity hen Canaries, hen Goldfinch Mules, 1/- each; all kinds of British birds, cocks or hens; write, stating price: Helyar, 55, Patmos-rd., North Brixton, S.W. (25)

WANTED, few pairs each for aviary, Buntings, Tits, Warblers, Wrens, Wagtails, not exhibition specimens, must be cheap: Cabener, 8, Haliscombe, Fentham-rd., Birchfields, Birmingham. (30)

WANTED, Yorkshire and Norwich hen Canaries; give 1s. dozen, and 1/- each for hen Goldfinch Mules, will buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth London, S.E. (34)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, and British birds cheap: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas.

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WANTED, weekly supply of Linnets, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, etc., for cash, or exchange for cages, fronts, etc.; also address of gentleman who sent Norwich cock, rung 15 days ago: Leigh, Cage-maker, 37, Everton terr., Liverpool. (38)

WANTED, several real good 1913 and 1914 bred, col. fed Norwich Plainhead cocks and hens, must be of good size, large in head, and short in tail and flights; only good birds required for prompt cash; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (20)

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Wanted, any quantity of cock Canaries, including Borders, Rollers, Yorkshire, Norwich, etc., good prices cash, by return of post: G. Chapman, Bird Dealer, Birmingham. Telegrams, Parrakeet.

WANTED

Any quantity Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrid, Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinches, Linnets, etc.; send on, best market prices given per return post, established 20 years: Sandiford, 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London; also at Preston.

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Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

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21/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

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FRED ALLEN will give good British for Canaries, etc.: 156, Porter-st., Hull. (39)

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WILL exchange two cock Goldfinches for two Yorkshire or Norwich hens: Swarbrick, Bridge-st., Cootehill, Co. Cavan, Ireland. (41)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Linnet, Yorkshire hen, bred Mules, 5/6 pair; exchange cock Goldfinches: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (32)

EXCHANGE Bull-Terrier, 2 years, fierce guard, for Rollers or Norwich, or sell 30/-; yours first: W. Elliott, 38, Boundary st., Barnsley. (31)

EXCHANGE new set gas engine slides, cost £5, for bull-dog, singing Canary, or Mules, or sell for £2 10/-: Muir, 28, Chalgrove-rd., Tottenham. (32)

EXCHANGE good Edison records, for good Norwich or Goldfinches, or offers, sell; approval: Wall, 35, Elm-st., Hoyland Common, nr. Barnsley, Yorkshire. (30)

EXCHANGE twiec house-moulted cock Greenfinch, bred Mules, for house-moulted singing cock Linnet; approval each way: Ley, 17, Waungoch, Nantymoel, Glam. (37)

EXCHANGE fine H.M. cock Goldfinch, two yellow hen Canaries, breed Mules, for two young Roller cocks, or sell 14/-: Golsby, 24, North-st., Huggle-cote, nr. Leicester. (28)

GREENFINCH cock and Goldfinch hen, 6/-; extra large mealy Redpoll cock, 10/-; also 2 smaller cock Mealies, 2/6 each: David Hunter, Cabberton, Maddiston, Polmont. (26)

EXCHANGE exhibition cock Goldfinch, bred mules, twice house-moulted, and large muling hen, for Roller cock, anything useful, sell 15/-: 121, Cannock rd., Chadsmore, Cannock. (32)

YELLOWHAMMER, variegated Linnet Mule, 10/- each, winners: two Greenfinch-Redpoll Hybrids, cocks, 12/- each; Yellowhammers to moult for showing; exchange other show birds or large Norwich hens; approval: Fisher, Gerrard-st., Lancaster. (33)

ONE cock yellow Goldie Mule and three hens, 10/- lot; large house-moulted Goldfinch, father of same, 7/6, or exchange lot for two large Norwich yellow hens: O. Davies, Pen Gelli, Bethel-rd., Carnarvon, N. Wales. (30)

590 SELECTED
cock Goldfinches and Bullfinches, 2/6, sure mulers 3/-, hens 10d., or exchange for Rollers, Norwich, and Yorkshires: P. Madden, Fethard, Co. Tipperary. (22)

Mainly Canaries.

NORWICH cocks from 5/6, hens 3/-: Mrs. Vores, 6, Doria-rd., Parsons Green, S.W. (27)

PAIR Yorkshires, 6/6; exchange offers considered: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (29)

CANARIES, six good hens, Norwich-Roller cross, five untried, 12/-; exchange: Beacon, Hayle-place, Maidstone. (37)

I HAVE two good unflighted yellow cocks for sale, 12/6 each; inspection invited: Thomas, 387, High-rd., Leyton. (27)

A LARGE Crestbred cock, 1914, £1 or exchange Norwich cocks: Clifford, 3, Sydenham-st., Radford, Nottingham. (30)

TWO lovely cock Goldfinches, 7/6, or exchange Norwich cock or two Norwich hens: C. March, The Leys, Evesham. (27)

THREE unflighted buff Norwich hens, 3/6 each; exchange for one good yellow hen: Walton, 37, Aylestone-st., Leicester. (33)

SCIT length cloth, pair leggings, pair oilskin overalls, Parrot cage; exchange Canaries: Russon, 8, Colville-st., Burnley. (38)

EXCHANGE 3 hen Canaries, grand feeders, 3 hen Mules; good cock Goldie or Siskin wanted; offers: 12, Sydney-st., Brighton. (32)

WANTED, pair large Norwich, good heads, exchange pair Crests (high-class): Sarjantson, 45, St. John's-terr., Gainsborough. (30)

EXCHANGE two pairs Yorkshires for good yellow Norwich cock, value 25/-; approval. W. Waraker, Auckland-st., Guisborough, Yorks. (33)

YORKSHIRES, 10/6 a pair; exchange pair for clear yellow Norwich hen, also gramophone wanted: Christie, 4, Seaforth-rd., Aberdeen. (31)

TWO Norwich, two Borders, cocks, 26/-, exchange grama. records, anything; letters only: Rawlings, 19, Asteys-row, Islington, London. (31)

EXCHANGE large var. yellow hen and grand buff hen, both winners, for a good 1914 stock pair; approval: Maclean, South-st., Forres. (29)

PATHE Gem Phonograph, cost £2; exchange large Crestbred hen or two large yellow Norwich hens: Jeffrey, 209, Yorkrd., Battersea, London. (32)

EXCHANGE, three Yorkshire Roller hens, 1914, and show cage, for 1914 songster, Roller preferred: Hyde, Police Station, Hundon, Suffolk. (24)

ONE HUNDRED raspberry canes, Sulton's Superlative; what offers, Norwich hens or British: Graham, Ivy Cottage, Preston, Faversham, Kent. (24)

EXCHANGE anything, six Roller cocks, twelve hens all rung, or sell one cock and two hens for 20/-: Bennion, 374, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (42)

PAIR Cinnamon Borders, 12/6; yellow Cinnamon cock, 10/-; exchange for 1914 Norwich hens; approval: Gentleman, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire. (41)

HIGH la. Yorkshires; 4 cocks, 8 hens, in properly mat[illegible] 15/- trio, or exchange Rollers; offers: Poli[illegible]e Mathers, Mytholmroyd Yorks. (27)

REPEATING ADVERTISEMENTS.

Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous issue. Page and Column are stated by the Advertisement MANAGER "CAGE BIRDS."

ONE buff Norwich, one buff Yorkshire, good unflighted cocks; exchange for two good unflighted Norwich hens: Linyard, 29, Marlboro'-st., Burnley. (35)

TWO large clear buff cocks, winners, sell 15/- each, or exchange for clear yellow cock; approval, cash or deposit: G. Woodrow, Mastons-lane, Shaftesbury. (29)

WANTED, cock Rollers, or any good songsters, for three champion Old English Game Bantam hens; approval: H. Clifford, 15, John-st., Glascote, Tamworth. (29)

LARGE 1913 yellow Cinnamon cock, Godley's direct, 10/-, or exchange large buff Cinnamon or yellow-green Norwich cock; approval: Butler, Rhosymedre, Ruabon. (30)

GRAND pairs: Yorks. Greens, 35/6, 50/6; Norwich, 45/6; cocks: Frenchruffiee, Lancashires, 25/6; Parisians, 15/6; hens, 3/- to 60/-; exchange: 16, Mount-vernon-rd., Liverpool. (38)

MR. HAWKES offers few extra smart lengthy Yorkshires or thick-set Norwich for stock or exhibition, for cash, or exchange anything useful: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (41)

EXCHANGE large well-bred cinnamon buff Norwich cock, 10/-, also nice pair Sibs, 7/6, for good yellow Norwich cock for stock; mutual approval: Daw, 53, Douglas-rd., Maidstone. (33)

WHAT offers in Canaries or British or foreign birds for single or double-breeding cages, or Yorkshire, Norwich, or Border show cages: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle-Douglas. (575)

EXCHANGE pair good Norwich Canaries for large clear yellow unflighted cock and two buff Norwich hens for large clear yellow unflighted hen; yours first: T. Bingham, March Cambs. (35)

GOOD young buff cock (clear), and four young Yorks. hens given for two typical young Yorks. hens, yellows, cinnamon-marks preferred; yours first: M. Buchanan, 338, Duke-st., Glasgow, E. (25)

WE have to dispose some of the finest Norwich and Crests in the Fancy, with the largest heads and shortest flights and tails, from 9/- upwards: Symons Bros., Melbourne, Liskeard, Cornwall. (28)

NORWICH; exchange 2 buff cocks and 2 buff hens in laney mahogany 4-compartment cage, for typical yellow cock and hen, or sell 25/-; approval: E. Harrison, 108, Harlesdon-rd., Willesden. (31)

WILL give two Border hens (yellow and cinnamon marked) for a good cinnamon hen, 1 variegated Norwich cock for a good yellow Barder cock; genuine, approval; sell £1: Hubbard, Penygraig-rd., Penygraig. (41)

TWO pairs Yorkshires, good class, Ogden's strain, 1 Norwich cock, seven breeding cages, value 50/-; exchange Talking Parrot and cage, Amazon preferred; no rubbish: Mrs. Richardson, Well-lane, Lincolu. (37)

FOR sale, good yellow and buff cocks, also buff hens; or exchange: Ross, Victoria-cres., Elgin. (35)

EXCHANGE three yellow healthy Norwich hens, 1914, for Green Budgerigars, or sell 7/6: Ruler, Stirkbury, Sittingbourne. (29)

NORWICH, two variegated, one clear buff, cocks, one fine buff green cock, two yellow cocks, two buff hens, and two yellows, all good birds, full of colour, fine feather, go cheap to make room; approval: D. Pithie, Mary-st., Stonehaven. (26)

TWO good buff Norwich hens, 9/-; cock Goldfinch, 4/6; Canary hatched hen Greenfinch, 2/6; exchange two large yellow hens; trio Yorkshires, £1; Indian Green Parrot, £1; buff Crestbred cock, £1; exchange yellow Crests, Scotch Fancies: A. March, Evesham. (30)

FOUL yellow and clear buff Yorkshire cocks, Crested cock, twice house-moulted, Pea-throat Goldfinch, bred Mules; sell or exchange exhibition Norwich or British; no rubbish offered or wanted; yours first: F. Stothard, 81, Beaconsfield-st., Darlington. (34)

YORKSHIRE and Yorkshire Roller Canaries, cocks (in full song), 5/-, 7/6; hens 2/6, 3/6; or exchange sewing machine; H.M. cock Goldfinch 4/6; Brownie No. 2 camera, 5/-; or exchange Budgerigars; particulars, letter: Smith, City Clothing Co., Highbridge. (42)

THREE buff Nor. cocks, 1 yell. cock, large birds, 8/- each; one 1914 buff, 6/-; 1 buff hen, 1914, 6/-; 2 1914 Crestbred cocks, 10/- each; wanted, a good young dark Crest and Crestbred hens, must be good; approval: Wm. Forster, 18, Grange-terrace, Pelton Fell, S.O. (40)

THREE model unflighted clear buff hens, lovely quality, 12/6, 10/-, 8/- respectively; graud yell. cock, 1913 bred, 1st and 2nd only times shown, sacrifice 25/-; variegated buff cock, two 4ths, 12/6; approval, deposit Editor: Garner, Breeder and Exhibitor, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (28)

FINE large clear yellow Plainhead cock, with big bouncing even-marked buff hen, winner, 30/-; or would exchange for 1914 crest-bred hen, also clear buff Plainhead hen would exchange for young yellow Border hen; yours first: Prentice, Mar-st., Alloa, N.B. (42)

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EXCHANGE pair related adult yellow Budgerigars for good cock Bullfinch or Goldfinch: B. Senrab, 75, Burns-rd., Harlesden. (37)

PARROT, lovely grey and red, acclimatised, healthy, splendid condition, accept 21/-; or exchange three pair Canaries: Wood, 72, Southgate, Gloucester. (41)

Miscellaneous.

FEW Crested hens, sell or exchange: Hardy, Stubley Mill, Littleborough, Manchester. (39)

AIREDALE dog, 7 weeks, sell 15/-, or exchange birds: 24, Exchange-rd., Melincrythan, Neath. (32)

SMALL tame performing monkey, £2 10/-; exchange birds: Goldin, 120, Tib-st., Manchester. (35)

EXCHANGE Phono, Dulcetto, with 44 records, for Green Budgerigars; sell 25/-: Cox, Park rd., Kenilworth. (25)

WHAT offers in birds, poultry, for a Hight cage, 8/6, 4 x 5: Henry Blamire, 26, Preston-st., Earlsheaton. (28)

SALE or exchange size cages for Norwich cock, sell 7/6; yours first: Rothwell, 2, Bradley-st., Burnley. (40)

WANTED, all kinds of live stock in exchange for cutlery and plate: Write Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Shelfield. (34)

WANTED, poultry; exchange high-class Canaries and cage complete: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (32)

EXCHANGE 1 pair Border Canaries, good prize strain, worth 10/, for camera: Hunter, 25, Castle-st., Sanquhar. (29)

SELL Norwich cock 6/6, Yorkshire hen 3/6; or exchange air pistol, good condition: E. Mawer, 10, Bath-st., Oxford. (31)

ONE dozen cock Linnets, caged three weeks; exchange for buff Norwich hen, cock Goldie, Bullie hens, or offers [illegible] Newst., Stonehaven (28)

HARRIES, Baker, Goodwick, exchange Scaly-face bitch, 12 months, for two Sib. hens, dogs or litter sold for £5. (30)

ONE double breeding cage and pair Norwich Canaries; offers, cash, or anything useful: Walker, 28, Queen-st., Banbury. (30)

EXCHANGE lady's folding car, in good condition, for cock Canary, songster: Norman Hall, 12, Tray-st., Hyde, Cheshire. (32)

EXCHANGE good gramophone or records for Plainheads, no rubbish wanted or given: Henderson, 37, Grant-st. Wick. (28)

LAYING pullets, singing cock Canaries, etc., given in exchange for other fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (40)

FOR sale three pair good working homers, exchange cage birds or appliances: Pierce, 24, Woodville-rd., Birkenhead. (38)

EXCHANGE suit lengths, costume lengths for Canaries or fishing rods: Gaunt, 1, Eric-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds. (35)

SALE or exchange, penny slot machine, suit shop or hotel, 30/-; exchange anything useful: B. Russell, Newsagent, Castleford.

EXCHANGE, six Norwich show cages for Yorkshire show cages, sell 7/-, new condition: Dawes, 44, Howard-rd., Mansfield. (35)

GOOD pair Norwich stock birds, 15/-, would accept whole plate single lens on approval: Cornall, Eskrett-st., Holmesford. (32)

GOOD Scotch Terrier bitch, pedigree, sell 10/-; or exchange anything useful: Low, 82, Spring-terrace, Smithybridge, Rochdale. (30)

WHAT offers? 62 "Cage Birds" weeklies 8 coloured plates, 3 "Cage Birds Annuals" (1912-13-14): 21, Sebert-rd., Forest Gate. (23)

TWO Spangle Bantam cockerels and 50-egg incubator for yellow Norwich hens; offers: R. Davidson, Baldastard, Largo. (41)

ROUGH-COATED Irish Terrier dog (8 months), house trained; offers, cash or birds: Arben, 71, Emmott-st., Stepney, E. (30)

EXCHANGE, high flying Tipplers, for Canaries or British Birds: Wm. Gregory, 240, Belle Green-lane, Ince, Wigan, Lancashire. (31)

BOOK on photography, also cycle building, brazing, etc.; want long green hen Canary: T. McLaren, Fintona, Tyrone. (40)

DALMATIAN dog puppy for sale, 15/-; or exchange Canaries, or anything useful: Aldrick, Colehy Grange, Norton, Lincoln. (37)

PECK of wild seede, two hen Goldfinch Mules; what offers in Goldfinches, anything: Rawlings, 284, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (37)

EXCHANGE 27 disc records, good condition, for anything useful; or sell £1: Ball, 3, Havelock-place, Greenhill, Harrow. (37)

SPINNING rod, Foster's patent steel-wrapped, 12/6, exchange Canaries or Mules: Blackmore, Glasbury Green, Crosshills, Keighley. (33)

Good bred Liver Spaniel, bitch, 6 months old, exchange Canaries, or anything useful: Riddle, Surrey-st., Canton, Cardiff. (35)

EXCHANGE small gent's bicycle, good condition, for British, or anything usefui: W. Ball, 43, Milton-rd., Wealdstone, Middlesex. (37)

EXCHANGE pair Pheasants and two Goldfinch cocks for good field glasses or revolver: Bates, 3, Church Path, Northfleet. (37)

SALE or exchange for anything useful, a fawn colour Greyhound bitch, 2 years old: T. Butler, 7, Kent Cottages, Iver, Bucks. (29)

KHAKI riding-breeches, 7/6; gold nib fountain pen, new, 8/6; exchange Rollers or Yorkshires: 33, Clifden-rd., Clapton, N.E. (40)

SELL or exchange 4 pairs adult breeding Budgerigars, 4/6 pair; offers, small foreigners preferred: West, Britannia-st., Aylesbury. (37)

SEVEN flying homers, 209 strain, £2; or exchange British birds; no rubbish: Peter Wilson 29, Townhead, Irvine, Ayrshire. (34)

EXCHANGE 14 double-sided disc records, good tunes, for three singing Yorkshires: Taylor, 277, Cambridge-rd., Bethnal Green, E. (41)

GOOD Cinnamon yellow Yorkie hen, good breeder, 10/-, exchange cruet or carvers; yours first: H. Welsh, Cornstall-buildings, Stamford. (35)

EXCHANGE pedigree black Pomeranian dog for good Yorkshire cock, or sell £1: Ernest Heap, Thornville-st., Westtown, Dewsbury. (37)

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WHAT offers in Yorkshires for plain silver cigarette case, over four ounces; no rubbish: Shiers, 101, St. Domingo-vale, Everton, Liverpool. (29)

GRAND buff Yorkshire cock, 15/-; exchange large unflighted variegated yellow Norwich hen; mutual approval: Gibbon, High-st., Stourbridge. (31)

PEDIGREE wire-haired Fox Terrier bitch, broken to ferrets; exchange good Norwich cock, or sell 25/-: Murden, The City, Beeston, Notts. (32)

EXCHANGE 65 Edison Standard phonograph records, in perfect condition, for Canaries or British: Whiteley, Buckwood, Trackley, Bradford. (35)

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COCK Chaffinches, two H.M., good specimens, for Border hens, Siskin, or sell, 4/6 each; approval: A. Newton, 165, Ashton Old-rd., Ardwick, Manchester. (29)

WHAT offers in Canaries for a solid silver Greenwich lever watch, cost £2, new; accept 16/6, or offers: Everitt, 61, Royal-rd., Custom House, London. (32)

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WANTED in exchange, unflighted yellow Norwich cock or hen, for two Black Rosecomb Bantam cocks, 1914 bred, both won, Fish's strain; no rubbish offered or wanted. Bob Johnson, Bank House, Leyton, Preston. (25)

CLEAR buff Yorkshire cock, ticked yellow Norwich hen, flight, breeding and show cages; exchange poultry: Scholes, 280, Oldham-rd., Middleton, Manchester. (39)

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CHAMPION Cocker Spaniel bitch, broken, 2 years, 40/-, or exchange birds; also Fox Terrier bitch, 4 months, 7/6; approval, deposit: Jones, 18, Gadlys-rd., Aberdare. (39)

GENUINE Windsor banjo, in absolutely new condition, for 9-ct. curb chain, or mounted £2 piece, or offers; no live stock: Reeves, 54, Marlboro'-rd., Newport, Mon. (28)

EXCHANGE young green Crestbred cock, value 10/-, for cockerel and pullet, Houdan or White Leghorn preferred: approval: Barker, Shepherd's Cottages, Long Eaton. (39)

FOUR Yorkshire, two Norwich hens, 2/-; three hen Gold Mules, 1/3 each; three cocks, Bullfinches, 2/- each, 18/- lot; exchange: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (24)

CANARY-REARED cock Goldfinch, 1 Border hen, green Norwich cock, buff hen; exchange talking Parrot, anything useful: A. Rowland, Newtown, Dunton, Biggleswade. (29)

200 INDESTRUCTIBLE cylinder records, 4 6 doz., new; hearth rugs, new, 2 6, 4 6, 5/- each; offers, birds, or useful exchange (letters only): Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (37)

SALE or exchange, black Toy Pomeranian, due to whelp 14th March, value £2; new air gun, 10/-; for Canaries or anything useful: Massingham, 215, Hitchin-rd., Luton, Beds. (32)

SMALL Yorkshire bitch, 5 months old; will exchange for Norwich Plainheads or 2 cock 1914 Goldfinch Mules, singing; John Foster, 52, Kingston-st., Manvers-st., Nottingham. (29)

BROWN curly Retriever bitch, trained to gun, good stock bitch, right stamp, sell 30/-; or exchange Canaries or British birds to value: Dewar, Kildean Cottage, Drip-rd., Stirling. (40)

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NOTICE, two black cocker Spaniel puppies, 5 months old, Buites well bred and well-coated, sell 20/-, worth double, exchange raincoat to fit man 5ft. 10½in.; coat first; approval: Coutts, Union-st., Dalbeattie (35)

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25 PARTS, "The Wonders of the World," illustrated, unsoiled, cost 16/4, exchange for good pair of 1914 Canaries to value, Rollers preferred, cock must be good songster; approval: G. Rowlands, 3, Mill-st., Bridgnorth, Salop. (37)

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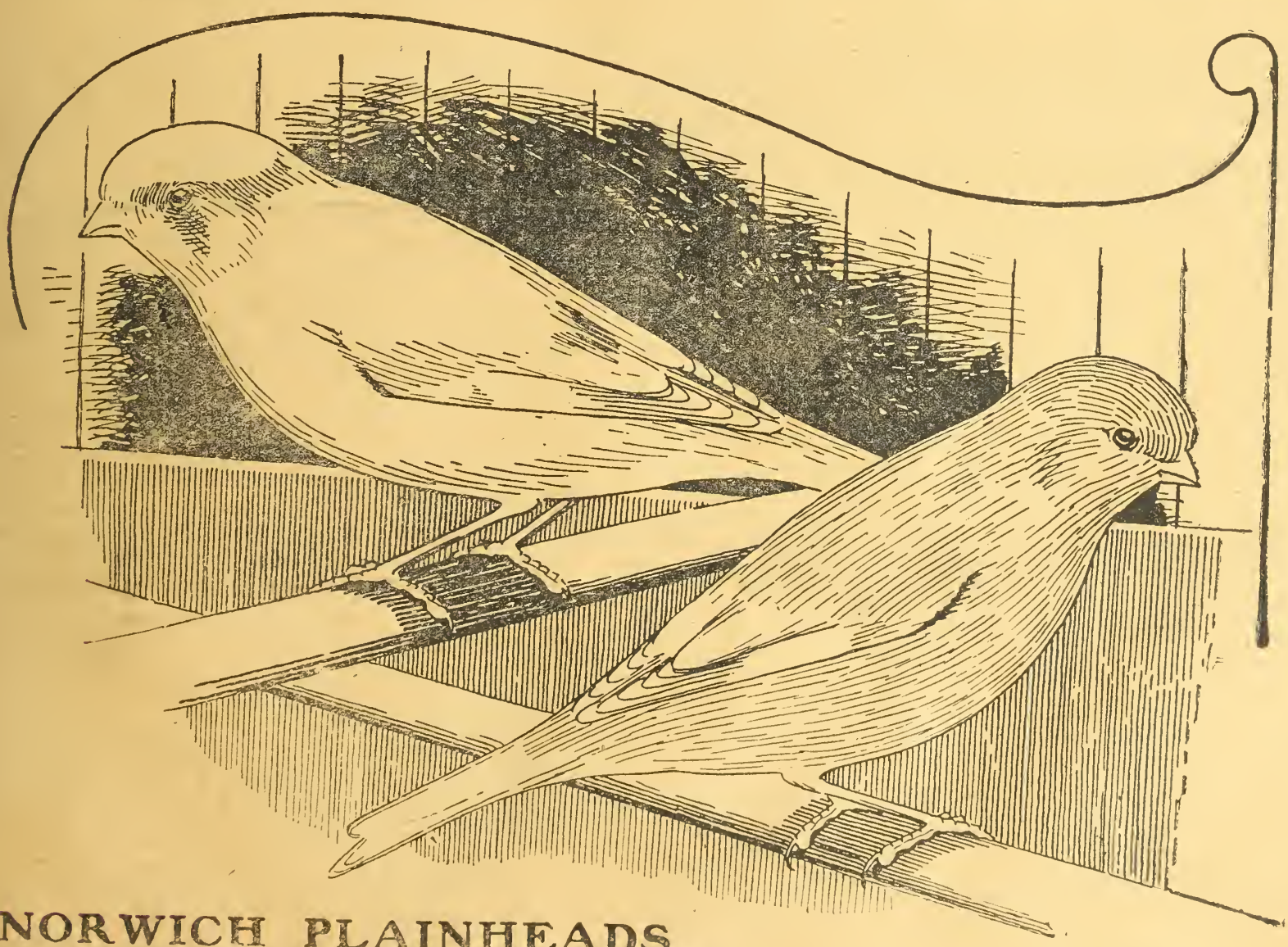

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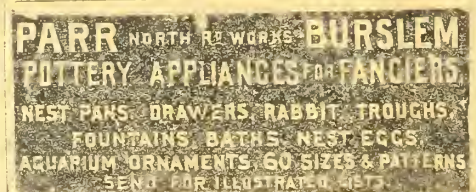
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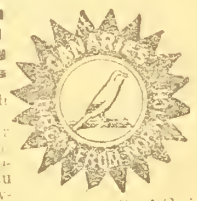

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RARE chance owing to war. Must dispose of my whole stock of winning Norwich, including yellow marked hen, first last Crystal Palace Show; seven hens, seven cocks, 1913 and 1914 birds, prices, 7/6 to 50/-; nearly all have won; full particulars given on enquiries; approval, cash or deposit: Walker, 35, Waverley-rd., Southsea. (45)

NORWICH Canaries, 1/1½, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a Stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-street, London

ED. BALL, Breeder, Exhibitor and Judge, has Norwich for sale; greens, bull, yellow; wins, Palace, Scottish National gold medal 1913-14, Liverpool two firsts, Liverpool Amalgamated 1915 two firsts, one second; own breeding, good value; single birds from 10/-; matched pairs from 20/-; a good chance for new blood; stamp: 220, Ormskirk-rd., Wigan. (54)

GENUINE Norwich, bargains, seven marked buff cocks, 9/6 each; ten buff hens, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each, grand type and quality, best blood obtainable; my strain has won championships in competition open to the world; no Breeders' Cards; selling above at bargain prices to make room; rare chance; approval; stamp: J. Hodder, 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

COLOURED prizewinning Norwich; two grand unflighted hens, good heads and necks, grand substance, short flights and tail, bred from big winners, each, 15/- the two, both unrelated; a cock to match, red hot colour, 15/6; also a marvellous headed buff large, price 17/6; worth £2; Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, (58)

NOTICE.—Special offer; few real good large typical stock and exhibition Norwich Plainheads, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £2 each; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to 30/- each; rare size, type, and quality of feather, including many future winners, all strong and healthy, and in perfect condition: Palace winning strain; cold-room bred: satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (52)

MONSTER 1914 buff Norwich cock, immense size, rare type and quality, only 12/6; also smart typical 1914 yellow hen, full of quality, feathered like silk, only 7/6 or 17/6 the pair: also large typical yellow cock, rare type and quality, good size and substance, only 12/6: also monster 1914 buff hen, real model for type and quality, only 7/6 or 17/6 the pair; all are bred from big winners, rare chance for beginner; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (52)

E. BAKER, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, one of the best studs in the world, winner of 14 cups, 7-guinea shield, 25-guinea bowl, salad bowls, gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas for best Norwich at Crystal Palace, two L. and P.O. challenge cups won outright at Palace, etc.; also hundreds of other prizes too numerous to mention; some good birds, single and pairs, for sale at very reasonable prices; those who were disappointed last year should write at once: Victoria Aviaries, 13 and 14, High-st., Cowes, I.W.

MR. C. W. SILK will offer a few of his noted wining Norwich: (1) Clear yellow cock, winner 2 firsts, 2 seconds, 1913 bred, £4; (2) unflighted marked buff, 2nd Watford last week, £3; (3) unflighted clear buff, 2nd Woolstohe, only time out, £3; (4) clear yellow cock, with grand head, winner 1st Woolstone, 1st Watford, in selling class, 25/-; make a good stock bird; also several tip-top unflighted buff hens from 10/- to 40/-; any of the birds can be had on approval willingly: Glen Rosa, Emsworth. (50)

POWICK'S CHAMPION NORWICH

Large typical Norwich; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury.

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

105, Trinity-st., Norwich, has a big variety of Norwich; cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/- upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-, 15/- upwards; week's approval, deposit. (51)

CHAMPION NORWICH

Wickham, Boatswain and Cali, Rainham-rd., Chatham, winner Chatham cup outright 1911, 1912, and 1913, Kent cup 1911 and 1912; few choice birds for sale, 1913 bred, buff cocks 15/-, hens 7/6; three yellow hens, 10/- each; approval. (54)

T. JUDD

Breeder and exhibitor at leading shows can spare good quality, typical buff Norwich cocks, several nearly even-marked, several lightly variegated, from 10/6 upwards; one ticked yellow cock, 20/-, unflighted, guaranteed own breeding; approval, cash: Lockhurst-lane, Coventry. (50)

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20 NORWICH STOCK COCKS, BUFFS

colour-fed, grand type and quality, good size, price 6/6, 8/6, 12/6, 15/- each; grand typical buff hens, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-; mostly unflighted and bred from winners; some have won and are genuine bargains; approval, cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (58)

MARTIN COOK'S

winning strain, cold-room bred and kept, reared from own breeding, but compelled to sacrifice; 40 Norwich cocks and hens, including even-marks, several even-marked hens, buff, 7/6 and 10/-; five-point'd yellow cock, 12/6; very large stock buff cocks, 15/-, 20/- upwards; ditto yellows, several unflighted yellow or buff cocks, 10/- upwards; and four pairs, suit dealer, 35/-; six double breeding cages, cheap, 30/-, cost double; state requirements: 17, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth.

CHAMPION NORWICH STOCK COCKS

I have got six real good large colour-fed Norwich cocks, good large heads and full necks, real Bullfinch type, marvellous size, unflighted ticked buff, 15/-; clear yellow unflighted, 15/-; ticked yellow, 15/-; clear buff, 1914 bred, a gem, can win, 20/-; green marked buff, a monster, 17/6; clear buff, 1913 bred, 15/-; these are a few of the best, and are a grand chance to introduce fresh blood into your stock; hens to match, 6/6 each; all cold room bred and cocks in full song, and are bred from birds that have done some winning; not mongrels; approval: cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (58)

YELLOW NORWICH HENS

For sale, yellow hens, also buff hens, best of stock, price from 7/6 to 10/- each; to spare, buff C.B. cock, can win, good head, price 25/-; inspection invited; approval willingly: Broadhead, Grocer, Derby-st., Macclesfield. (55)

R. HANFORD, DERBY

offers splendid collection Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; correctly matched pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; value and satisfaction guaranteed; full list and approval; terms free.

A RARE CHANCE

Owing to change of residence clearing out all Norwich but three pairs; buff cocks, plenty of size, grand heads, 10/- upwards; buff hens, beauties, 10/- to 20/-; a number of yellow hens from 7/6, all unflighted; approval: Rev. Nunn, Harrington, Cumberland.

GIVING UP FANCY

All stock, cages, appliances must be cleared; none reserved; few pairs Norwich from 15/-; odd cocks from 10/-; no odd hens; Borders from 5/-; mulung Greenfinch-Goldfinch, laid fertile eggs last season, 1/- pair; no rubbish; stamp reply: Harper, 7, Douglas-terr., Seven Kings.

FRANK DIPPLE

has everything for sale, 15 breeding cages, 20 show, three carriers, utensils and my well-known winning strain of Norwich Canaries, only shown three times this season; won special most points at two shows with six birds, Coventry, Birmingham; had four birds at Cardiff Show this week; one buff hen, has won every time out, £5; my winning capped-headed buff cock, £5; clear buff, winner, £4; unflighted yellow, winner, £5; other birds also cheap; cocks from 15/-, hens from 7/6; would rather sell all in one lot very cheap: 176, Well-st., Rockley, Birmingham. (54)

J. C. BARNES

Norwich specialist, 25 years' study, winner of many cups, etc., including Sheffield Challenge Cup (three years in succession); can spare few grand specimens, true type, A1 quality and colour, plenty of substance and correct carriage; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; several extra good pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

THE WINNING STRAIN

W. Crawshaw, winner this season of the following: O.N.P.C. championship, trophy (CAGE BIRDS), championship trophy, the Joe Thomas rose bowl, the Percy Illingworth cup for unflighted birds, the Aitken cup for best Norwich in show at Scottish National, Gibson cup for most points, also the Accrington challenge cup, and numerous other specials; has a few good stock birds for sale, from 10/- upwards, all my own breed; inspection invited on any day; stamp for reply; also state wants: Crown Hotel, Accrington.

NOTICE—£100 REWARD

to any judge, exhibitor or dealer who can prove we send out hens for cocks or unhealthy birds, or not as advertised. Notice: Being overstocked, I am offering the following grand high-class Norwich and Yorkshires, cock and hen, Canaries, at a sacrificed price, and every bird in grand plumage and condition, bred from some of the finest strain in England, and warranted fit for keenest competition, buffs, yellows, greens and cinnamons, cocks, in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6 each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6 each; cash or deposit with "Cage Birds"; established a century: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London, E.

W. N. TURNER,

The Champion Norwich Breeder of 18 Years' Standing.

Winner of 3 Diplomas, Gold Medals, and over 1,500 Prizes won at Crystal Palace, Scottish National, Manchester, etc., etc. I have bred and supplied birds which have won at Manchester, Liverpool, Halifax, etc., this year, and have still large stock left to select from, related to my well-known winnere. Prices reasonable; inspection invited; approval willingly.—**3a, Percival St., Hightown, Manchester.**

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's). 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England.

Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913

J. DIMMOCK, Glucke and Waterglucke Rollers, same strain as my cup winner, from 12/-, hens 5/-; B.R.C.C. rung: 49, Providence-st., Cradley Heath.

FOR sale, Koller Canary, 3rd at Wick, sell 6/-: D. Bruce, Glencarron, Wick. (41)

ROLLER cocks in full song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (49)

WANTED, Rollers, either sex, for cash: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury Avenue, London. (51)

SEIFERT Rollers, 1914, pure-bred hens, 2/6, 3/6; cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-: Levy, 614, Fulham-rd.

MR. U. F. INNES, Estate Factor, Largs, Ayrshire, offers a few superior Roller cocks, 12/6, 15/-; letters only. (48)

SEIFERT Rollers, full song, from 10/6, hens 3/6; bred from parents cost 75/-: Morris, New Inn, Aley, Bewdley. (47)

PURE Roller cocks, full song, none better, prices 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; hens, 2/6: John Bennett, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (20)

GLUCKE Rollers, B.R. rung, cocks from 10/6, hens 5/-, or exchange: Brown, 220, Tah Bank-rd., Oldbury, Birmingham. (17)

PURE Rollers, cocks, splendid songsters, 6/-, 7/-; hens, 2/6, 3/- each, cold-room bred: Gray, Warthill Station, York. (54)

ROLLERS, Fould's strain, 1914 club rung, cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/- each: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (50)

BUTTERWORTH'S pure Seifert Rollers, cold-room bred; cocks, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-; approval: 7, Highfield-rd., Earby. (58)

FIVE first class Hartz Rollers, price 8/- and 9/- each, 42/- lot: bargain; approval: Evans, Lightwood, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (50)

HENS, hens, hens.—Walton's champion Glucke, Water Glucke strain, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6: Walton 6, Cross Green-cres., Leeds.

1914 ROLLER cocks, singing 3/-, two 5/-; hens 1/6; special Seifert Rollers, full song, 7/6: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon, Glam. (39)

RANDALL'S Glucke Rollers B.R.C.C., one cock, eight hens, rung 1914; must clear; offers; cheap: Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (61)

PURE Water-Glucke Rollers, cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 3/6, 4/6; approval, deposit: N. Clouting, 27, Somers-rd., Brixton Hill, S.W. (29)

CONTEST Rollers, day and gas-light songsters, Best's strain, 8/6 and 10/6; approval with pleasure: Gommersall, Rock-terr., Birstall. (42)

RANDALL'S deep Glucke 1914 Roller cocks, 7/6 upwards; hens, 3/- each; approval, cash or deposit: Lay, 89, Byron-st., Northampton. (60)

RANDALL'S deep Glucke 1914 Roller cocks, 7/6 upwards, hens 3/- each; approval, cash or deposit: Lay, 89, Byrron-st., Northampton. (42)

HIGH class Rollers, Foulds' strain, cocks 6/- hens 2/-, worth double; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (24)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, full song; prices reasonable; easy payments token; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

GLUCKE hens, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, 4/- each, all cocks sold; prizes won 1914, 15 2nd, 3rd, 5th, twice vhc, and six specials: J. Flitcroft, 33, Gilnow-lane, Bolton. (47)

DEEP Glucke Rollers, cocks, 10/6, 12/6: hens, 3/6; winning strain; bargains; approval: Parker, 16, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (40)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942)

THWAITES guarantees you satisfaction: Glucke and Water-Glucke strain: cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 3/-, 3/6; 63, Pontefract-lane, Leeds. (39)

RANDALL'S Glucke strain; trained cocks 8/6 to 15/-, hens 3/6, selected pairs 12/- upwards; approval: Earnshaw, Breeder, 51, Rook-st., Nelson. (26)

GRAND Seifert Rollers, Randall's strain, lovely songsters, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6; cold-room bred; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (36)

ROLLERS, winning strain, four Green hens, 1913 B.R.C.C. rung, 4/6 each; splendid feeders; approval: Hawkes, Regent-st., Wellingborough. Member B.R.C.C. (54)

RANDALL'S pure hollow roll strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, hens 4/-; cash or deposit; approval willingly: Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1992)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

HIGH-CLASS 1914 Glucke Rollers, pure Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/6, hens 4/-; approval, cash or deposit: F. G. Martin, 43, Park-rd, Wellingborough. (12)

ROLLERS, hens, 18/- dozen, two for 3/6; also 1 have very fine lot of cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; full week's approval: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (53)

RANDALL'S pure Rollers, 1914 rung; cocks, full song, 7/6, 8/6 and 10/6 each; matched pairs for breeding from 10/-; approval: J. Leigh, 57, Bold-st., Altrincham, Cheshire. (34)

RANDALL'S selected strain, T. Twigg, winner of 5 cups, numerous B.R.C.C. medals, champion diplomas, hens B4 rung, 5/-; one B2 Glucke bird, 20/-, or exchange: 6, Stofford-st., Bilston. (55)

ROLLERS, very fine cocks, grand singers, pure rolls, 10/6, 12/6, 15/ each; Roller shutter cages, 12 by 12 by 6, 2/9; approval; price list free: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Stoke-on-Trent.

I CAN spare a few pure-bred Roller hens, 1914 cold room bred, strong, healthy birds, splendid stock for the coming season; 2/- each; also two stock cocks cheap: G. Grillin, School House, Redditch. (51)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, bred from winners of over 40 rizes, B.R.C.C. rung; 1914 cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 1913 4/6, 1914 5/6; seven days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Gt. Harwood. (19)

HIGH class Seifert Rollers, cocks in full song day or gaslight, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, a good schoolmaster 15/-; hens 3/6, 5/-; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (58)

A. GOODING has several Glucke and Water Glucke 1914 cock birds for sale from 10/6; bred from prize birds; hens, 3/6 to 12/6; all rung; approval willingly: member of B.R.C.C.: 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (47)

IF you want a good bird, cheap, give me a trial; last year I won the novice championship with twenty points over the nearest competitor; cocks, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/-: Best, 5, Alma-place, Beckett-st., Leeds. (39)

J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner of seven cups, 25 silver and bronze medals, has for sale few of his champion strain Roller Canaries; cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- upwards; hens, 7/6 and 10/- each; approval. (1)

HIGH CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

BARGAINS: Glucke and Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, 1914, winning strain, extra 2nd Birmingham, 2nd Provincial this season: young cocks, 15/-, 20/- each; hens, 4/-; approval, deposit; Evans, Patent Slip, Llanelly. (45)

W. H. MORRIS, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham, winner at Leeds, Manchester, Wakefield, Wolverhampton, and Birmingham, 1913 and 1914 contests, has for sale cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- each; Glucke and Water-glucke strain: approval willingly. (1965)

GLUCKE and Water-Glucke Rollers, Randall's strain, bred from my winners of five medals; cocks, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 7/6; satisfaction guaranteed, or money returned in full: Harrison, Fruiterer, Churchyard, Bradmore, Wolverhampton. (39)

LEIPZIG Rollers in full rolling song, with many changes, day and gaslight singers: cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, same strain, 3/-, 4/-; ten days' approval, my risk, cash or deposit: "Cage Birds": Colclough, Elm House, Stoneyrd., Longton, Staffs. (35)

GLUCKE Rollers; have 5 cocks left to dispose of, which include 1st prize winner Manchester, 50/-; Ike, Bolton, 25/-; others from 15/-; also hens, same strain, 4/- each; can be seen any time by appointment: T. McGiven, 536, Gorton-rd., Reddish, nr. Stockport.

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert Rollers, mostly bred from winners; one highly commended Manchester, 15/-; 6 others same strain, 10/6 each to clear; hens, 3/6; matched pairs for breeding from 12/-, all B.R.C.C. rung; approval, cash or deposit: Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot. (51)

A. W. CAGMAN, 17, Manor-st., Wolverhampton, deep Glucke winning strain, and some of my wins: 1 first, 7 seconds, 5 thirds, 7 fourths, 8 fifths, 3 sixths, 4 sevenths, 4 vhc, 9 hc, 5 c, 55 specials, three cups, 10 medals and numerous other prizes; a few hens left 5/- to 7/- each; seven stock cocks; also pure Roller cocks. (16)

PURE Randall's; my last lot of young cocks ready; these are bred from my last season's three prize-winners, which scored 27, 25, 24 points, and brothers to my highly commended and ex-fourth this season; price 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; hens, same strain, 4/-, B.R.C.C. rung 1914, 7 days' approval; deposit Editor: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (49)

BRITISH-BRED Rollers; pure Seiferts, Randall's glucke and water glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; hardwood cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/- each; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.

RANDALL'S cup strain, Waterglucke hens, cloh rung, 7/-; young rocks, full song, coming trained, all have good variety and length of tours, 15/-, 20/-; B 4.5, scored 17 points Bolton Roller Contest, 1915, 22.6 only; B4,9021 scored 22 points, a good Schoolmaster, 25/-; all customers during the last five years have bought the first Roller cocks I have sent, approval, deposit: Atherton, M.B.R.C.C., 35, Christian-rd., Preston.

H. POWELL'S wins this season: Ex first and special silver medal ex third and special, fourth and special prize, Provincial, Manchester; second and special best Glucke, fourth and special best bass, young birds, second and third and five special prizes, including silver medal, Midland B.C.C., Wolverhampton, second and special, fourth and special, two other special prizes at Bolton; second team cups and second and special prize, City of Birmingham; international wins at London, Feb. 5th and 6th; a few good cocks from 30/-; hens, 12/6: H., 881, Highst., West Bromwich, Staffs. (49)

ROLLER COCKS WARRANTED

6/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens, three for 5/-, satisfaction guaranteed, cash orders, no waiting: Cruse, 74, Boundary-rd., Walthamstow. (60)

LAST TWO HENS

All cocks sold. These hens are bred from cock 2nd Leeds, scoring B.R. 7, Glucke 5, Bass 5; B4 rung, 5/- each, 8/- the pair: H. G. Hill, "Ashleigh" Aviaries, School-rd., Moseley, Birmingham.

BRITISH BRED ROLLERS

Having purchased the whole stock of Mr. Wirth, of Liverpool, including his winners, etc., I am offering cocks, in full song, at 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, and 25/- each; hens, 5/- each; all B.R.C.C. rung; also cabinets and training cages, to be cleared cheap; one Buhl's training organ, in perfect condition; first P.O. £2 secures it; originally cost £3 10/-; 1 Quack's organ 30/-: R. Kremner, 101, Tib-st., Manchester.

You Can Try All the Way

and then you cannot obtain such quality, at the price anywhere else in England. **I hear every bird go through its song personally**, hence each is tested before being sent out, and having been in my time an amateur instrumentalist and vocalist, I deem myself competent to know their value, so no bird is sold by guess work. Have on approval; it is the only safeguard against receiving unsound specimens dear at any price. Amongst the following are some very highly trained birds, which include water Glucke, pure Seifert, British-bred Rollers, Randall's etc.; cocks, **6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-**; hens, **1/9, 2/-, 2/6**; a graud lot of pedigree hens, **3/6** and **5/-**, in finest breeding condition; if you pay **10/-** each, you can get none better than these. I can strongly and honestly recommend them. Buy now, and save disappointment later; pair matched for breeding, **7/6, 8/6, 10/6**, to **25/-**; cages **3d.**: **W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.**

Rollers—Real Hartz Rollers

Cock Canaries, the first lot offered this season, and the finest that could be purchased for cash; every bird in grand condition, and real schoolmasters, and contest singers, only, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each, or 42/- the stick of seven; hens, 1/6, 2/- each, 3 for 4/-; stick of 14 14/-; Belgian Rollers, cock Canaries, trained under the schoolmaster, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, 1/3, 1/6 each, 12/- dozen; cock Siskins, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; established a century; cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1975)

14 DAYS' TRIAL—OUR RISK

Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years and have received thousands of testimonials. These wonderful songsters only 15/- each, on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised and be your own judge. Hens same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each; Yorkshire, Norwich and other Canaries on the same terms; list free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (30)

STOREY'S ROLLERS

There is a lot of shunt about strains and breeds. Some there is, and some there is not. What you want is a real good German trained songster, one that you can rely upon, a breed that has stood the test against all comers for the last twenty years, a class of Rollers that has merited the praise of every purchaser, and all hearers. I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and prices are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Storey's genuine trained St. Andreasburg or Hartz Rollers, cocks with full change of song by day and artificial light, price according to quality of song, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, a few extra good songsters 12/6 each. I have none of the common half-bred rubbish, but have a few classic hens, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages, 3d. each, 2/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: E. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

VOOGT'S CANARIES.

Having just returned from Holland, where I spent three days collecting Hartz birds from the various breeders, and have perfected arrangements for a weekly supply, I can now offer as follows:—

Hens, 2 in cage, **3/-**, 14 in 7 cages **14/-**. Unless 14 birds taken, the price is **1/6** each.

Cocks, No. I., **10/-** each, 7 in 7 cages **50/-**. These are highly marked, splendid songsters.

Cocks, No. II., **7/6** each, 7 in 7 cages **42/-**. These are the birds usually advertised having the Nightingale and Woodlark note, with sundry other qualifications.

Cocks, No. III., **6/-** each, 7 in 7 cages **35/-**. There is a great demand for this class of bird. Early application requested.

Kindly Note Terms.

Cash with order only. No birds have been sent away to anyone in Great Britain without cash in advance. The respective Classes, I., II., III., have private distinctive markings. This ensures every buyer receiving whatever he pays for. Every order is numbered and sent away in rotation—first come first served, irrespective of cash buyers here in London. Telephone, 6341 Avenue.

JOHN HAMLYN,
221, St. George's Street, London Docks, East.

Scotch Fancies.

FOR sale, five buff piebald cocks, want to yellow hen: Wm. Wallace, Cabbagehall, Leslie, Fife. (49)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, yellow and buff cocks and hens, well bred: J. Fleming, 166, Meor Park, Renfrew. (47)

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young birds, all colours, cocks, hens, good birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st, Paisley.

I HAVE a few cocks and hens, clears, first-class birds, can win, cheap, all 1914; wanted, a green or pied cock, a large bird; approval: Clyne, Mercy-st., Wick. (15)

SCOTCH Fancy Canaries, cocks and hens, cheap to clear, giving up breeding: Miller, 55, Deptford Bridge, Greenwich.

SCOTCH Fancy cocks, yellow, green, buff foul, buff pied, young, 1/- each, approval, stamp: Service, Dunsdale, Bute. (49)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, young, some good birds, cheap: approval: Hugh Howie, 29, Oswald-rd., Kirkcaldy.

THREE buff pied and yellow hens from my well-known strain, also feeders: McIlwain, School Mount, Florida, Glasgow. (31)

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TWELVE Scotch Fancies for sale, lot cheap to clear; or exchange Yorkshires; approval: John Hamey, 236, Arinbank Ayrshire. (32)

YELLOW Scotch Fancy Canaries 12/6; even marked Border cocks, 6/6; Crested cock, good bird, 10/-: Strachan, 30, Maule-st., Arbroath. (48)

SCOTCH Fancies, buff and yellow piebald hens, 20/- each; buff foul cock, 4th only time out, 40/-: Renwick, 126, Ingleby Drive, Glasgow. (47)

1914 FIRST cross yellow cock, grand top and shoulders, 30/-; also 1914 first cross buff cock, good stock bird, 20/-; or exchange both for good buff hen; approval: Powell, 79, Seedhill-rd., Paisley. (50)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, Yorkshire Specialists, unbeatable 30 years, championship, best in show, Palace, 1914. Some of the best living for disposal, wonderful length and quality; approval: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

BAILEY, winner outright A.C.C. 20 guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

YORKSHIRES, few pairs to clear from £1: Bisset, 83, High-st., Fraserburgh. (46)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Selater-st., Shoreditch

BEAUTIFUL long slim buff Yorkshire cock, 8/6: B., 25, Poynders-rd., Clapham Park. (43)

SMART yellows and buffs, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (47)

WANTED, Yorkshires, for cash, either sex: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury Avenue, London. (51)

GRAND Yorkshires for sale, 1914, 15/- pair; approval: J. B. Lenton, Market Deeping, Lincs. (25)

FIVE days' approval, buff Yorkshire cock, 10/6; do hen, 5/-: J. Appleton, 27, Albion-terrace, Hebden Bridge. (54)

SIX unflighted Yorkshire cocks, 6/- each; 4 or hens, 4/- each, or 50/- lot: T. Barfe, Pateley Bridge. (34)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

PAIR good Yorkshires, yellow cock, and buff green hen, 25/-, or offers: 27, North-st., Rushden, Northants. (55)

TWO pairs 1914 yellow cocks, buff hens, 10/6 pair to clear; few hens, 3/- and 4/- each: 71, Kelvin-rd., Highbury, N. (60)

SIX racy Yorkshire hens in breeding condition, 3/- each; 5/6 for two: Mrs. Jones, 7, George-st., Aberystwyth. (61)

GRAND pair Yorkshires, cold-room bred, long, slim birds, 10/- the pair, bargain: Scott, 58, Dudley-rd., Ilford. (47)

FEW first-class Yorkshires, cocks, full song, 5/-, hens 3/-; approval; cash or deposit: F. Perry, 17, Warren-rd., Rhyl. (52)

1914 YORKSHIRE cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-; hens 1/6, prize bred; full song cocks, 5/-: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon, Glam. (49)

GRAND variegated buff cock, first East Ham, 12/6; good buff cocks, 1/6; hens, 3/-: Thomas, 20, St Verage-rd., East Ham. (54)

YORKSHIRES for sale, 1914 cold-room bred cocks full song, 7/6; hens, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-: Adey, 76, St Mary-st., Weymouth. (56)

I HAVE still a few real good Yorkshires for sale, cocks from 6/-, hens from 4/-: Stobart, 26, Bairstow lane, Sowerby Bridge. (52)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6; stamp reply: Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (21)

FOR sale, prize bred Yorkshires, yellows and buffs, cocks from 7/6, hens from 2/6: Miss P. Phicox, Pre Fleuri, Horsell, Woking. (1982)

T. C. CRAWHALL, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne, offers a few of his well-known strain, singles or pairs. (47)

HIGH class Yorkshires for sale at reasonable prices, inspection invited; seen any time: Hutton, Alexandra Hotel, Penge. (58)

A FEW Yorkshire Canaries for sale, Dykes' strain; cocks, 6/6; hens, 2/6: William Cox, Graves-lane, Erdingley, Southwell, Notts. (45)

SIX long stylish unflighted hens, Crisp and Hawes' strain, 5/- to 10/- each: Hannaford, 65, St. Quintin-aven., North Kensington.

YORKSHIRES, long slim 1914 yellow marked hen, beauty, 5/-; four good buff ditto, 4/- each: Goldsmith, Station-r, Wadenhoe.

TWELVE Yorkshire Canaries (1914), 4 cocks, 6/6 each, 8 hens 3/- each; lot 45/-: H. Clark, The Cricketers, Chatteris, Cambs. (56)

FIFTY Yorkshire hens, all colours, 3/- each; in breeding condition; two for 5/6: North, Breeder, 445, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (58)

YORKSHIRES, bred from winners, must sell owing to removal; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/- upwards: O. Fisher, Station-st., Chatteris, Cambs. (46)

UNFLIGHTED clear Yorkshires, from winners; hens, 4/6; cocks, 8/6; pairs, 12/-: Herbert, The Hollies, Poplar-rd., Middlesex. (36)

YORKSHIRE greens, one buff cock, ditto hen, champion pedigree, great bargain, 17/6; a sacrifice: Austin, 114, Wadsley-st., Sheffield. (54)

HIGH-CLASS young colour-fed exhibition Yorkshire cocks, in full song, 7/6 and up; pairs, 10/6 and up: Simons, 16, Albermarle-st., Hull. (1997)

PAIR of good unflighted stock Yorkshires, buff cock, yellow hen, 11/6; genuine bargains; approval: Eddy, Bellvue-ter., Penzance. (46)

YORKSHIRES, 25 hens, 12 cocks, 5x4x2ft. flight, 4 breeding, 6 box cages, good condition: Whitby, 31, Therapia-rd., Honor Oak, S.E. (52)

BUFF Yorkshire cocks, 8/6; Yorkshire hens, 5/-; chubby yellow-marked Norwich hen wanted: The Acacias, Ermeston Park, Ermeston. (54)

LONG 1914 Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, hens 3/6; good buff variegated cock, 10/6; approval: 54, Falmouth-rd., New Kent-rd., London. (51)

UNFLIGHTED green-marked yellow cock, standard length, also Cinnamon hen, rather small, 7/- pair: Parkinson, Thornton Dale, Pickering. (53)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKellar, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

YORKSHIRE and Belgian crossed 1914 hens, bargain, 4/6 each; buff Belgian cock 15/-; approval, deposit: Cowben, Outfitter, Portland. (60)

HIGH CLASS Yorkshire cocks from 8/-, hens from 5/-, bred from my winners; any evening after 6: H. F. Bowring, 67, Everington-st., Fulham. (54)

CLEAR buff cock, 3rd Sheffield O.S., district show, £1; two others, 12/6 each; both buffs; approval, deposit: Wingfield, 14, Colver-rd., Sheffield. (55)

GRAND upstanding birds, several yellow and buff cocks, 7 inches long, also some splendid hens, reasonable: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (50)

HIGH CLASS Yorkshires, grand, long, slim, typical cocks from 5/-; approval; satisfaction guaranteed; Greenwood, Colin-rd, Crosshills, Keighley. (47)

SALE, buff Yorkshire cock, unflighted, 7in. long, first prize Southport show, 10/-; yellow hen, 5/-; deposit. Wright, 10, Shellfield-rd., Southport. (55)

Yorkshires & Norwich

Just one testimonial out of scores received lately: From 3, Tennent St., Whifflet, Coatbridge, Jan. 12, 1915. The Buff hen I purchased from you last season bred me a yellow cock that won the cup this season. I am highly pleased, and will recommend you to all I know requiring good birds. J. McCallum to J. Taylor. Grand, long, slim yellow or Buff Yorkshire Cocks at **6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-** each. All on full song, and seven inches long. Pairs, matched to breed winners, at **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-** per pair. In Clears, Ticked, Green-marked, and Cinnamon-marked. Colour-fed and natural colour. Cold-room bred and kept. Extra good Yellow or Buff Yorkshire hens, at **3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6** each. Also large stock of big Norwich Plainheads at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at **6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6** each, day and gaslight songsters. Also some good Crests and Crestbreds very reasonable. State wants, or send for my illustrated Price List post free. **Easy Payments**: Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.

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36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

REDUCING stock; about 20 splendid Yorkshires, cocks and hens, going very cheap, good size birds: Stubbs, 83, Wellington Row, Bethnal Green, E. (48)

FEW first-class Yorkshires from 12/6 pair; several typical yellow hens cheap; seen by appointment: Rorke, 59, Ringmar-avenue, Munster-rd., Fulham.

YELLOW and buff unflighted Yorkshires, cocks 10/- upwards, hens 5/- upwards; approval, deposit: L. Jebson, Wood-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield.

H. GATER can spare a few pairs of long, typical Yorkshires, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- pair; 7 days' approval; please state wants: 6, Jones'-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam.

YORKSHIRES; large yellow cocks; seen any time; price reasonable; guaranteed healthy; see them and judge for yourself: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (50)

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PELTON FELL C.B.S.

As the amalgamation of the three shows Birtley, Chester-le-Street, and Pelton Fell—is done with, I wish to let members know that we intend having a meeting on Feb. 11 to set about the dates of our N.E. and annual shows, and further to see about having a supper. Will old members who would not join last year through being amalgamated send their names in to the sec. or attend the meeting, and see if we can make this meeting as strong as every Sub. will be the same as before the amalgamation, 5s.; new members, 1s. old ones 1s. 6d. If we can get all the old members back again we might run a few open classes at our annual show. Meeting to be held at Mr. A. Garland's Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell, at 6.30.—John Robinson, Sec.

KENDAL C.B.S.

Seventh annual show, Town Hall, Dec. 26, with an entry of 220 birds. Norwich were a nice lot, and some first-class exhibits were staged by Messrs. Alexander, Heywood, Hoyle, and Dickenson. Yorkshires were not quite so numerous, Mr. Harrison, of Morecambe, taking the cream with some good stylish birds. Borders were good in numbers, but not quite the class of birds usually seen. British were not strong, but the two Goldies shown by the sec. were very good; the winner is now eight years old but still in the pink of condition. The committee all worked well, headed by the veteran, J. C. Parker, who acted in his usual capacity as judge's steward. The sec., Mr. Heywood, had all in good order. Judging was a somewhat difficult task, as the light was very bad indeed, but improved towards noon. Mr. E. Brunskill, Southport, judged.

NOR. CL. ETC. CK. (10): 1, hc, B. Alexander; 2, c, Dickenson; 3, vhc, Hoyle; res, Bland. HEN (15): 1, res, Heywood; 2, Mercer; 3, c, Hoyle; vhc, Dickenson; hc, Hawthornthwaite. UNFLIG. CK. (7): 1, Hoyle; 2, vhc, Dickenson; 3, hc, Crossley; res, c, Dixon. HEN (5): 1, Heywood; 2, Whalley; 3, Dixon; res, Mercer; vhc, Crossley. NON-FED. CK. (8): 1, Heywood; 2, Dent; 3, c, Mitchell; res, Dickenson; vhc, Forth; hc, Forth. HEN (7): 1, Mitchell; 2, Dent; 3, Heywood; res, Allen; vhc, c, Sumpter; hc, Dickenson. YORKS., YELL. CK. (6): 1, 3, res, Harrison; 2, Pye; vhc, hc, Cafferty. HEN (5): 1, 2, 3, Harrison; res, Cafferty; vhc, Allen. BUFF CK. (6): 1, 2, 3, Harrison; res, Higginson; vhc, hc, Cafferty. HEN (5): 1, 3, vhc, Harrison; 2, Mercer; res, Cafferty. BORD., YELL. CK. (13): 1, vhc, Allen; 2, hc, W. Little; 3, res, Heywood; c, Newby. BUFF (9): 1, Pearce; 2, 3, Allen; res, Mitchell; vhc, c, Dickenson; hc, Little. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 3, Dickenson; 2, Mitchell; res, Allen; vhc, Crossley. BUFF (12): 1, 3, res, Pearce; 2, c, Allen; vhc, Heywood; hc, Dickenson. NOV. CK. (3): 1, 2, Forth; 3, Hodgson. HEN (4): 1, Newby; 2, 3, Foth; res, Hodgson. A.O.V. (6): 1, 3, res, Hawthornthwaite; 2, Varl; vhc, Mercer; hc, Dickenson. GOLDF. (12): 1, 2, Heywood; 3, res, Fisher and Dixon; vhc, Higginson; hc, c, Alexander. BUFF. (7): 1, Alexander; 2, Fisher and Dixon; 3, Hodgson; res, Armstrong; vhc, Dent; hc, Ashworth. LINNET (7): 1, Whalley; 2, res, Alexander; 3, vhc, hc, Dent; c, Hodgson. A.O. BRIT. (8): 1, res, hc, Fisher and Dixon; 2, 3, Alexander; vhc, c, Dickenson. HVB. (3): 1, 2, 3, Alexander. MULE (12): 1, 2, vhc, c, Fisher and Dixon; 3, Ashworth; res, Alexander; hc, Whalley. GIRT (16): 1, Harrison; 2, Varl; 3, Dickenson; res, Heywood; vhc, Hawthornthwaite; hc, Sumpter; c, Pearce.

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Twitterings.

The annual show of the Sheffield O.S. has been fixed for Nov. 5, 6. Judges, Messrs. J. Robson, J. C. Barnes, and W. Battye.

We have appointed Mr. Peter McQuiston (Ayr) and Mr. J. Maddison (Newcastle-on-Tyne) as judges for Bathgate show, Feb. 27, writes Mr. A. Nicol, hon. sec.

Warrington C.B.S. is holding its annual show Oct. 15 and 16, writes Mr. H. Warburton, sec. Would other secs. please make a note of the date, to avoid clashing.

The annual show of the Bournemouth C.B.A. is fixed for Nov. 9-10, judge Mr. H. Norman, writes Mr. L. Bonsfield, hon. treas. Will secs. please note date to avoid clashing?

At Llanelly show your reporter states that 1st in yellow Yorkshire cocks was Thompson, writes Mr. L. Dykes. Same should read: 1st L. Dykes, 2nd Thompson. Also at Scottish National I won 3rd in unflighted Yorks hens, not Binns, as stated in report.

We are pleased to hear from Mr. W. Erskine, the new hon. sec. of the Dumfries and S. of Scotland C.B.A., that as a result of the show held for the benefit of various War funds, the very nice total of £11 18s. 6d. was available for distribution. This was apportioned as stated in the club report published in this issue.

Owing to the inability of the judge to be with us for the pair and Finch show, writes Mr. F. H. Marhoff, hon. sec. Poplar C.B.S., we found that it was necessary to postpone it until Feb. 11, when we hope to have a very nice show at the headquarters, East India Dock Road, Poplar, at 6.30; no entrance fees. Friends and fanciers welcome.

Members of the Chester C.B.S. please note that Mr. A. Hibbert, 35, St. Mark's Terrace, Saltney, Chester, has undertaken to carry on the secretary's duties during absence through illness of Mr. L. Cavanagh. It is hoped that members will give him a little encouragement, and endeavour to make the pair show, Feb. 10, a record one for the society.

Owing to being up with the Reserve, I am compelled to part with my remaining stock and cages. I am advertising them in another column of CAGE BIRDS. I am sorry, as I have spent many happy hours with them. At present I am guarding German prisoners of war, and have plenty of chances of watching the wild birds, some of which I have never seen before. After the war I intend to start again as a British birdman. Every good wish to you and the paper I have often had to thank for my success.—Pte. W. E. Wilson (King's Own Lancasters).

We are asked to notify the following secretarial changes:—Glasgow Queen's Park C.B.S., Mr. E. Holliday, 76, Coplaw St., Govanhill, Glasgow (replacing Mr. R. Heggie); Walkden Roller, Mr. E. Hibbert, 27, Pendlebury Rd., Swinton, Manchester (replacing Mr. H. Howard); Midland Roller, Mr. J. W. Thomson, 9, Gorsebrook Rd., Wolverhampton (replacing Mr. T. J. Smith).

Noticing the appeal in last week's "Twitterings," writes Mr. O. Millsum (Margate) re occupation for Mr. Best, formerly of Antwerp, I venture to make a few remarks in Mr. Best's favour (quite unknown to him at time of writing) as being fully qualified to have charge of any live stock. I have had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Best at home with his birds at Antwerp, and I can say that he not only traded in birds and animals, but has a fancier's love for them. Anyone in a position to find Mr. Best occupation during this trying time of War will have great satisfaction. There will be no language difficulty, as Mr. Best both speaks and writes English.

The Welsh National show, held in the Hall of the Carlton Hotel, Cardiff, this week-end (Fri., Sat. and Monday) has closed with the grand total of over 1,100 birds, writes Mr. W. Sampson, the manager. Several classes have had to be cancelled, notably in the Foreign section, where the entry is under twenty. The Canary section is great, as also are the Hybrids and British. Many famous birds will be on view, including Mr. Crawshaw's unflighted yellow Norwich, Dr. Wilson's team, Mr. Dykes' ticked yellow "Dreadnought," and many big winners of Messrs. Ogden, Towers, Crawhall, etc. Messrs. Martin and Archer's "Perfection" and teams by Messrs. Crone, Lamb, etc., are in the Hybrid section. Mr. E. Taylor sends "Dusky Monarch," and the Crests are represented by Messrs. Bale, Colledge, the Rev. Joyce, etc. Our Scotch friends have been very good to us, and are well represented by Messrs. Heggie, Crone, Conkie and Louden, Arnott, Wilson, etc.

OBITUARY.

MR. W. LOWNE (Yarmouth).

We deeply regret to learn of the death of that sterling fancier, Mr. W. Lowne. His genial personality made him a wide circle of friends. Mr. Lowne, in business as a taxidermist, was a naturalist of considerable repute, also a good judge of British birds, having officiated in this capacity at the Crystal Palace show, while CAGE BIRDS has published several valuable articles from his pen. The hon. sec. of the Lowestoft F.S., Mr. E. L. A. Crow, writes that Mr. Lowne had been in failing health for some time, and after a painful illness of about six weeks passed away on Jan. 27. Much sympathy is felt for the widow and relatives, and all fanciers will join us in an expression of regret at their irreparable loss.

MR. GEO. MACKIE (Aberdeen).

I am sorry, writes Mr. John Hector, to have to report the death of one of Aberdeen's oldest fanciers, Mr. Geo. Mackie. We have lost a true friend, and many at a distance will read with regret of his demise. He was for twenty-two years the trusted and loyal servant of one of the largest firms in the city. George was a true fancier, and we all felt that he never was fortunate in the breeding room in obtaining the success he deserved, both with Crests and Norwich Plainheads, birds near his heart, more especially the former. He loved his birds. George was a man of few words. At our Society meetings he was ever quiet and thoughtful, and when he did speak the words he uttered were full of weight; wrangling and unnecessary delay annoyed him, and he fidgeted as if he would leave the room. To many a young fancier Mr. Mackie was helpful; many bought birds from him every year, proving that they were treated well. Death only makes such a life shine with a more attractive lustre; to meditate on such a simple, kindly, quiet, useful life leaves us better men. Our sympathy goes out to his widow and family in their sore bereavement.

And Very Nice Too!

On the morning of Sunday, Jan. 10, a brace of Partridges entered the house of Mr. Fosbrooke, by a side door, and were found flying about the passages by the servants.

Eggs for our Wounded.

Poultry keepers throughout the United Kingdom are responding most generously to the appeal for new-laid eggs for our Wounded Soldiers and Sailors. The National Egg Collection has only been organised a short time, but already over 117,000 eggs have been collected for the Wounded. Egg-collecting Depôts now numbering over 380 have been established throughout the country, a full list being obtainable from the Secretary, National Egg Collection, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. Eggs may be handed in at any of the Depôts or sent direct to the Central Depôt, c/o Messrs. Harrods, Trevor Square, London.

THE LADY IN THE CASE.

By **H. NORMAN** (Carshalton).

Our well-known artist lays stress on the value of good hens in the breeding room.

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An article written round the drawing on page 14 of our recent Birthday Number, a limited number of copies of which, including the coloured plate, can be had post free for three penny stamps.

A LITTLE more depth of chest in the hen in the top left hand corner of the sketch would be an improvement, but she has other good points that go to make her a desirable bird to breed from—a neat head, short wings, and exceptional quality of feather. The owner of this bird assures me he can trace her parentage on the hen's side back two generations, and each of her ancestors possessed the depth of chest she lacks. Therefore one feels there is more than a sporting chance of her turning out something up to the mark.

The fact that she is an unflighted bird is rather in her favour; like certain other females she may "put on weight" with advancing years. That, unfortunately, is just one point in the Norwich Canary that we cannot always rely upon. Many birds that are almost ideal in type as unflighted specimens, lengthen between the moults, and those nice short wings appear to have grown out of all proportion.

In making up our standards we have, of course, gone to extremes in the two popular varieties, the Norwich and the Yorkshire, and in breeding both there seems to be a striving by Dame Nature to turn out something almost the opposite to what we want. We are always afraid of our Norwich putting on length, and our Yorkshire increasing in bulk. Of course these little peculiarities are only part of the game, and make the breeding of ideal specimens a difficult task, requiring a good deal of time and patience. I advise young fanciers to put in plenty of both.

The Road to Travel.

There is no royal road to success in bird breeding, and it is a long road for the ordinary fancier to travel—that is, from a beginner in the novice stage, to a successful breeder and exhibitor at, say, the Palace in the champion section. But many have successfully travelled the road, and many will do so again. Looking forward to, and hoping to do better at the next season, is one of the charms of our fascinating hobby. Whatever is done in the breeding room, there should always be an advance in the merits of one's stock, year after year. In some seasons the improvement will possibly not be great; for one reason, there may not be a tremendous advance to be made, or it may be we are striving for some particular points that do not make a big show or admit of much progress.

The two bottom hens in the sketch are mother and daughter, and these are both as true to life in outline as I am able to get them, and I think the novice will be able to see at a glance that considerable progress has been made. The mother is rather chubbily built, but shows quite enough neck, and is cut off rather square behind, besides showing a certain roughness in feather on the back, which I find can be traced back a couple of generations. She was mated with a tight feathered buff cock with a particularly smart tail carriage, clean cut, and with what some fanciers term a good shoot away, which is really the opposite to a tendency to drop the tail (an objectionable feature that, I am glad to say, appears to be decreasing in the best bred stock).

From this pair the wing marked hen was bred. She is not a big one, but very typical, with nice width of shoulders and back skull. In this respect she is an improvement on her grandmother who, although possessing a fairly wide entrance, was practically no wider at the base of the skull; otherwise she was very typical. Her daughter was an only child, and perhaps for that reason was retained; as the Irishman says "there is no selection in one." Anyway she must have inherited some of her mother's good qualities or she could not be the parent of the wing-marked bird.

Now, although this latter hen is somewhat small, she will not be despised in the breeding room. Hens of her build and quality are just the birds to make use of to prevent too much coarseness creeping into one's stock when striving for size. If we bred from all big birds we should soon get coarse ones with an abundance of undesirable feathers; so these smallish, short winged hens are most desirable birds for those who know how to make the best use of them.

An Undesirable Hen.

There is another type of hen that personally I have no liking for; it is the big bird with narrow shoulders. Such hens are in a sense flat-sided, and generally fairly long. They require very careful mating, and seldom throw anything exceptionally good. Their great size frequently tempts a breeder to make use of them, but if he does, he should be particularly careful in his selection of the young ones for the following season.

And I might here point out once again the value of a properly kept stock book, so that these little points can be traced. Some fanciers are simply content to enter the bird's number with its parentage. But I think one should go much further than this. The bird's good and bad points should be noted for future reference, so that one is able to trace any particular point that may crop up. Further, if for some reason we are obliged to breed from one weak in a certain way, we can look up its pedigree and see how far back it is since one of its ancestors possessed the same failing. We can then judge fairly well if it is likely to be reproduced in the young.

In conclusion I would ask all beginners and novices to be very careful in their selection of hens. See that you have birds as typical as possible, even if they are a shade small. And do not forget quality of feather. This appears to me to be a point that is entirely overlooked by the majority of young fanciers, yet if they attend the shows they will notice that the winning birds are mostly conspicuous for their good quality of feather, whatever their other points may be.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL O.S. ANNUAL DINNER.

A Merry and Enjoyable Evening.

Though by force of circumstances denied this year the pleasure of holding the National show at the Crystal Palace, the members of the L. and P.O.S. decided to proceed with the annual dinner, and this event took place on Jan. 21 in the Crown Room of the Holborn Restaurant. The gathering of members and friends was not a large one, but, as one of the speakers happily said, the company reminded him of a phrase he had often noticed employed in show reports—the entry was on the small side, but the quality was quite first-rate!

And it can truly be said that everything was first-rate—a magnificent dinner was followed by quite the most enjoyable and distinguished musical programme if has been our good fortune to listen to at a function of this kind. The genial hon. sec., Mr. C. W. Law, certainly fully merited the kind things said about him by the various speakers, and his able assistant, Mr. Huggins, deservedly shared in these encomiums, for nothing was left undone that could add to the comfort and enjoyment of the diners.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. Law, Mr. and Mrs. Oldacre, Mr. and Mrs. Gill, Mr. and Mrs. Trower, Mr. and Mrs. Davey, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, M. and Madame Feist-Madewell, Mrs. James, the Misses and Madame Feist-Madewell, Mrs. James, the Misses L. and W. James, and Messrs. G. Mortlock, Mortlock, junr., G. Crabb, W. Gilbert, L. A. Bigg, L. Montgomery, and G. E. Weston.

The excellent menu was:

Side Dishes.
Clear Bourgeoise.
St. Germain.
Poached Turbot Cubat.
Saddle of Mutton with Red Currant Jelly.
New Potatoes Rissolés. Brussels Sprouts.
Roast Pheasant with Watercress. Salad.
Orange Pudding. Plombiere Ice.
Wafers. Dessert.

The toasts were commendably few and the speakers commendably brief. After "The King and Royal Family" had been honoured, Mr. Geo. Crabb, who presided in his usual excellent style, proposed "Success to the L. and P.O.S." His remarks evidenced the continued prosperity of the society, and the good work in the Fancy it had done during the past year and was planning for the future. The cash in hand, despite a loss on the autumn show, had slightly increased. They had arranged an attractive programme of events for the coming season and hoped to have their meeting, largely attended by members and friends.

Mr. Harris, in the course of an able response, said that the L. and P.O.S. had decided to go through with its business, war or no war, and looked forward to a highly successful year.

Mr. Mortlock proposed the toast of "The Ladies" in happy terms, paying them many fitting compliments. Madame Madewell, in replying, made an excellent speech which was quite the "hit" of the evening, keeping her hearers convulsed with laughter with her humorous recital of her doings in the Fancy generally and the L. and P.O.S. in particular. Mr. Weston was also called upon to respond.

The superlatively good musical programme has already been referred to. This was provided by Mr. Fred Gibson, who is himself a humorist of a very high order, his songs, and the duets with Miss Nancy Haines (a talented soubrette) being responsible for many aching sides. Miss Alice Lilley proved the possessor of a lovely soprano voice, and Mr. F. Gregory a splendid baritone, while as for the monologues and character songs of Mr. G. Ellis, nothing could be better. Miss Hilda Bertram's pianoforte solos aroused great enthusiasm, and she proved a perfect accompanist. Mr. Gibson is to be congratulated alike on the excellence of his artistes and the excellence of his programme.

The Shows.

ROTHESAY.

Bute U.F.S. 14th annual show, Empire Theatre, Rothesay, Dec. 9, under the distinguished patronage of Lord Bute, Captain Colin Macrae, Mr. Harry Hope, M.P., Col. D. F. D. Neill, Sheriff Martin, R. D. Whyte, Esq., Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Town Council of Rothesay. During judging there was a good attendance of the nobility, including Lady Mary Bute, the Earl of Dumfries, and several members of the Bute family, who were shown round by Bailie Hill. The proceeds are to be handed over to the Red Cross Society. The gift and other classes were heartily supported, and a nice little sum will go to swell a deserving cause. The efforts of the committee met with a record entry despite that several members have volunteered for active service. Scotch Fancy topped the list, several capable of holding their own in open competition, Messrs. Brown and David winning three specials with a good all-round bird. Special best Brit. was won by R. Jeffrey, best Bord. A. H. Lister, best Nor. ck. T. Napier, hen J. W. Dobbie. The management was all that could be wished for, and none did better than sec., J. W. Dobbie, and treas. John McCrone, who were ably assisted by the Rev. C. T. Beale, Bailie Hill, Messrs. Napier, Brown, Leckie, McFarlane, Espin, Weir, Lister, Holmes, Cunningham, Jeffrey, Miller, Clark, and Mitchell, and the tidy little sum of £15 was realised to hand over to the Red Cross Society. Mr. W. Connelly (Glasgow) judged, and his awards were well received.

SCOTCH FANCY CL. OR FOUL CK.: 1, 2 sps, 4, 6, 7, Brown and David, 1 foul yell., fine size and thickness for a yell., rare length of side, grand shoulders, 2, sp, cl. buff, nice style and action; 3, sp, Lister, cl. buff, fine drive and action, behind sub.; 5, Whiteford. HEN: 1, 3 sps, 2, 3, 4, 5, Brown and David, grand team, leader excels in drive, and wins sp best in hall, best S.F., and best in classes. PIED AND GR. CK.: 1, sp, Lister, grand style, rare top end, and drive, takes perches well, and pulls hard; 2, 3, 4, 5, Brown and David, 2 yell. pied, fine style and pos., 3 buff, fine snaky head and neck. HEN: 1, Lister, nice head and neck, good drive, fine sweep of tail, takes pces quickly and pulls hard all the time, a little more thickness and would be a topper; 2, 3, 5, Brown and David; 4, Whiteford; 6, sp, Napier. BORD. CK.: 1, sp, 6, Lister, cl. buff, fine round head and body, good qual. and wing carr.; 2, Spiers, cl. buff, equal type and qual., scarcely so neat wing carr.; 3, Gillies, cl. yell., fine even col. and qual.; 4, Lister; 5, Hutton. HEN: 1, 2, Lister, beauties, excellent qual. and cond., best of wings; 3, Hutton, cinn., rare qual. and col., neat type and carr.; 4, Gilles. NOR. CL. CK.: 1, McLean, cl. buff, good size, fine head, neck, and front, A1 col., qual., and cond.; 2, Wise, non-fed, cl. buff, good qual., fine cobby body, nice short flights and tail; 3, Dobbie, good qual., col., and cond.; 4, Whiteford; 5, Mitchell; 6, McCrone. HEN: 1, sp, 6, Dobbie, 1 good size and sub., fine qual. and col.; 2, Napier, good sub., fine head and neck; 3, McLean, good qual. and cond.; 4, Wise; 5, Mitchell. VAR. CK.: 1, sp, Napier, buff, good head and cheeks, fine deep front, neat flights and tail, A1 qual. and col.; 2, Whiteford, yell., lovely col. and qual., fine head and neck; 3, Mitchell, good size and col. HEN: 1, McCrone, well up in size, rare head and neck, short cobby body, good col.; 2, Dobbie, excellent qual., good size and sub.; 3, McLean, good qual. and cond. YORKS.: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, 5, Jeffrey, 1 ch. yell., stands alone, rare length, col., and qual., high cond., 2 cl. buff, lovely qual., fine length of wing, rare pos., tight feather, 3 cl., buff, scarcely the length, fine slim type; 6, no name. GOLDF.: 1, Johnstone, very smart, not big, but very rich col. blaze, nicely tanned body, good cond.; 2, Jeffrey, bigger, only loses in col.; 3, Wise, fine size and shape; 4, Miller. BULLF.: 1, sp, best Brit., Jeffrey, grand size and shape, rare cap and wing bars, fine order, little more col. would be a topper; 2, Miller, behind size only, good shape, cap, and bars; 3, Brown and David, trifle rough; 4, Johnstone. LINNET: 1, Jeffrey, good size, shape, and col., finely laced front, rare whites. No. 2 was a very pretty Albino Twite, much admired. TWITE: 1, sp, Napier, fine size and col., well laced. A.O. HARDBILL: All Greenfinches: 1, Wise, fine size and shape, extra good qual. and col.; 2, Jeffrey, well made, good size, bold head; 3, Johnstone, nice flights and tail. SOFTBILL: 1, sp, 3, Wise, lively little Whitethroat, pure in col., nice size and cond.; 2, Jamieson, almost pure white Blackbird, rare size. HEN: All Bullf.: 1, sp, Jeffrey, good cap and bars, shade dull in col.; 2, Johnstone, loses size; 3, Wise, good stamp, trifle rough in feather; 4, McCrone. FOR.: 1, Cunningham, Blue-fronted Amazon Parrot, grand plumage. MULE, DK.: 1, Jeffrey, Goldf., nice face, good col. SELL. (11): 1, sp, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, Brown and David; 4, Napier. GIFT (9): 1, Brown and David; 2, Lister; 3, Cunningham; 4, Mitchell; 5, Holmes; 6, Dobbie; 7, McCrone. BRIT (BOYS OR GIRLS) (8): 1, J. Miller, fine big Goldf., rare square cut face, nice cond.; 2, 3, J. Pendreigh, 2 grand rich col. Bullf., fine order, 3 Mealy Redpoll, good size and cond.; 4, T. Derby, Goldf.; 5, Margaret McMurchie, Bullf.; 6, J. Derby, Linnet. Good and interesting class.

BOSCOMBE F.A.

Third Annual Show, Curzon Hall, Curzon Road, Bournemouth, Nov. 18. Entries were well up to previous years, about 150. The committee, who are to be complimented on the success of the show were Messrs. Harris (chair), M. Cook, R. Howard, S. T. Fisher, A. E. East, J. Calvert, E. E. Hutchins, and G. Hinves. The secretarial duties were capably discharged by Mr. E. T. Hames. Mr. W. A. Haysom judged. NOR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, sp, Cook; 2, Howard; 3, vhc, hc, Mrs. Farrer; c, Calvert. BUFF (7): 1, hc, c, sp, Cook; 2, vhc, Mrs. Farrer; 3, Howard. HEN (10): 1, sp, 3, Cook; 2, vhc, hc, c, Mrs Farrer; res, Howard. UNFLIG. CK. (12): 1, sp, Mr. Farrer; 2, 3, res, Cook. vhc, Sarsons; hc, c, Howard. HEN (4): 1, sp, 2, 3, M. Cook; vhc, Hinves. NOV.: (11): 1, cup, res, hc, Mrs. Lydford; 2, sp, 3, vhc, Matcham. YORKS. (8): 1, sp, Calvert; 2, 4, hc, c, Edwards; 3, vhc, sp, Harris. UNFLIG. (6): 1, sp, 2, res, vhc, Edward; 3, Harris, hc, Hutchins. NOV. (3): 1, sp, Last; 2, Calvert; 3, Bradshaw-Smith. NON-FED (6): 1, sp, Howard; 2, Edwards; 3, Hames; vhc, Sims, hc, c, Fisher. PAIRS (5): 1, sp, 2, Cook; 3, Hinves; vhc, hc, Hames. MULES AND HYBRIDS (5): 1, sp, Hinves; 2, Hamer; 3, Newell; vhc, Hutchins; hc, East. GOLDF. OR BULLF., HM (6): 1, sp, Cook; 2, vhc, sp, Hotchkins; 3, Parsons; res, Stone; we, Stone. F.M. (8): 1, sp, 3, Last; 2, res, vhc, sp, Newell; hc, Hinves; c, Cook. LINNET, ETC. (8): 1, sp, Hames; 2, 3, Hinves; res, Cook; vhc, Fisher; hc, Cook; c, Newell. HARDBILL (8): 1, sp, Sarsons; 2, 3, vhc, hc Hinves; res, Parsons; c, Cook. Challenge cup was won outright by Mr. M. Cook amateur cup, R. Howard; British, G. Hinves; Novice, Mrs. Lydford. E. T. Hames, Sec.

HALIFAX C.B.S.

First annual members', Jan. 16, King Cross Band Room. There was a splendid entry of 110 birds and the show proved a bumping success considering the society is in the first year of its existence. Many of the big winners at the Yorkshire Union shows were on view, and the birds altogether were a fine lot. Mr. T. Ogden, Bradford, judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction. Mr. Owen Wade and James C. Sutcliffe filled the capacity of stewards in excellent fashion, and Mr. E. Stobart, chairman, very ably helped with the secretarial duties. A nice lot of specials were offered for competition, and were won by the following: Messrs. J. T. Sharpe, G. Mitchell, J. E. Priestley, J. Gelder, E. Stobart, J. Corney, L. Stansfield, H. Johnson, C. Wilson, E. Savile, E. Benson, F. P. Sunderland, C. Senior, Sladdin and Baldwin, A. Crabtree, and A. Sutcliffe. Mr. A. Sutcliffe had the secretarial duties in hand.

OPEN, CL. OR TKD. YELL. YK.: 1, Priestley; 2, Stobart; 3, Sutcliffe. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Stobart; 3, vhc, hc, Savile. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Stobart; 2, Sutcliffe. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Priestley; 4, vhc, hc, Sutcliffe. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Priestley; 2, Stobart; vhc, Savile. BUFF: 1, 2, Priestley; 3, Stobart; 4, Savile; vhc, hc, Sutcliffe. EVEN, ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Priestley; 2, 3, 4, Stobart; vhc, Savile; hc, Sutcliffe. BUFF: 1, Savile; 2, Sutcliffe. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Gelder; 2, 3, Mitchell; 4, Wilson; vhc, Johnson. BUFF: 1, 2, Mitchell; 3, 4, Johnson; vhc, Gelder; hc, Corney; c, Stansfield. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Stansfield; 2, c, Sharpe; 3, Benson; 4, Mitchell; vhc, Corney; hc, Gelder. BUFF: 1, Sharpe; 2, Wilson; 3, vhc, Gelder; 4, Corney; hc, Senior. YELL. HEN: 1, Sharpe; 2, Stansfield; 3, Johnson; 4, Sunderland; vhc, Gelder; hc, Corney. BUFF: 1, Corney; 2, Gelder; 3, hc, Benson; 4, Stansfield; vhc, Sunderland. YELL. A.V.: 1, 2, Sharpe; 3, c, Mitchell; 4, Wilson; vhc, Sladdin and Baldwin; hc, Gelder. BUFF: 1, 3, Mitchell; 2, Sharpe; 4, Corney; vhc, Gelder; hc, Stansfield. EVEN, ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Stansfield; 2, Wilson; 3, Senior; 4, Gelder; vhc, Corney; hc, Crabtree; c, Sladdin and Baldwin. BUFF: 1, 2, Sharpe; 3, Johnson; 4, Crabtree. BRIT.: 1, Corney; 2, 3, Johnson; 4, vhc, Sunderland. This show closes the competition. Points gained with four highest awards of each member at the season's shows: J. Gelder 92 points, G. Mitchell 88½, J. E. Priestley 78, E. Savile 51½, E. Stobart 45, C. Senior 43, H. Johnson 36½, J. Corney 32, E. Benson 26½, J. T. Sharpe 25, A. Sutcliffe 23½, C. Wilson 23½, L. Stansfield 22, P. Child 13, Sladdin and Baldwin 12½, F. P. Sunderland 12½, E. Lumb 8, E. Holroyd 7, H. W. Walsh 7, A. Tinkler 6½, A. Crabtree 4. If any error in above points kindly notify me at once.—A. Sutcliffe, Sec.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Annual club show, Volunteer Inn, George St., Oldham; judge Mr. N. Stansfield (Denton).

LANCS. YELL. COPPY: 1, Fitton; 2, 3, Hordern; 4, Ridgard; vhc, Fitton. BUFF: 1, Hordern; 2, Fitton; 3, Swalwell. YELL. PLAINHEAD: 1, 2, Hordern. BUFF: 1, 2, Hordern; 3, Ridgard; 4, Swalwell. COPPY HEN: 1, Hordern; 2, Fitton. P.A. HEN: 1, Swalwell; 2, Ridgard. LANCS., 1914: 1, Swalwell; 2, Fitton; 3, Ridgard. GOLD LIZARD, OLD: 1, Barnes; 2, Bradley; 3, vhc, Hampshire; 4, Hamer; hc, Bambleton. SILVER: 1, Hamer; 2, Barnes; 3, Hampshire; 4, Rukin. GOLD LIZ. CK.: 1, 2, Hamer; 3, Rukin; 4, Barnes; vhc, hc, Hampshire. SILVER CL. CAP: 1, 2, Hamer; 3, Rukin; 4, Hampshire; vhc, hc, Bradley; c, Clegg. GOLD BROKEN: 1, Hamer; 2, 4, c, Hampshire; 3, Rukin; vhc, Bradley; hc, Clegg. SILVER: 1, 4, Hamer; 2, Barnes; 3, c, Hampshire; vhc, Rukin; hc, Clegg. GOLD HEN, CL. CAP: 1, 3, vhc, hc, J. Hampshire; 2, J. Rukin; 4, Hamer. SILVER: 1, 3, Rukin; 2, Hamer; 4, Hampshire. GOLD HEN, BROKEN: 1, Barnes; 2, 3, Rukin; 4, Bradley; vhc, hc, Hampshire. SILVER: 1, Barnes; 2, 3, Rukin; 4, Hamer; vhc, Hampshire. NOV. LIZ., GOLD CK.: 1, Bosworth; 2, Millington; 3, Moorbey. SILVER: 1, Millinglon; 2, Bosworth. GOLD HEN: 1, Millington; 2, Bosworth. SILVER: 1 Bosworth; 2, vhc, Moorbey; 3, 4, c, Hambleton; hc, Millington. Sp. best yell. coppy G. Fitton, plainhead A. Bordern, Lancs. A. Hordern, cl. gold Liz., silver, broken gold, silver, T. Hamer; most entries J. Hampshire, most points Messrs. Hampshire and Hamer, 2nd most points F. Hamer, entries Messrs. Hamer and Rukin. Mr. Bradley's sp. most points with four highest Lizards F. Hamer.

EMPIRE C.B.A. (New York).

Second annual show, Grand Central Palace, New York, Dec. 1 to 5, in conjunction with the Empire Poultry Association, and the Yorkville Canary Society. There were some 420 entries, the highest honours falling to the Yorkshires. In For., Mr. Frank Gambo, the worthy sec., carried off highest honours with his red-faced Gouldian, a grand bird, in the pink of condition, and our new member, Mr. W. F. Vollmer, had a lovely pair of Shama Thrushes, which have bred and reared young in a cage. Mr. J. Mebus carried off the silver cup for best collection of Rollers. Mr. W. Toasland, silver cup best hybrid, with his Goldie, a very fine fellow, showing his sire to perfection. Mr. A. C. Ibbeken made a grand display with his two large aviaries, in one of them being 125 birds of different varieties. There was only one American bird shown by a member, he having a permit to trap and keep same. Anyone can apply for a permit to keep an American bird from the Conservation Commission, Albany, N.Y., but everyone is not fortunate enough to get one. The exhibition was the biggest ever held in New York City. The Association is the only one of its kind in New York. Next year we hope to get twice as many entries, and in the course of time to rival the Crystal Palace show. The judges were: Canaries, Mr. F. Grey: For., Mr. G. Crandall.

CRESTS: Smart, 4 firsts, 4 seconds. YORKS.: Hibbard, 3 firsts, 2 seconds; Mrs. Hibbard, 1 first, 1 second. BELG.: Dietson, 1 first, 1 second. LIZ.: Woodward, 1 first, 1 second. ROLLERS: Mebus, highest points. BRIT.: Miss Eddy, 1 first; Miss Jack, 1 second; Toasland, 1 first; Campini, 1 first, 1 second; Sciandra, 1 first; Woodward, 2 seconds; Ibbeken, 1 first, 2 second. FOR.: Woodward, 6 firsts, 12 seconds, 4 thirds; Ibbeken, 1 first, 3 seconds, 2 thirds; Smart, 1 first, 3 seconds, 1 third; Miss Jack, 4 firsts; Vollmer, 1 second; Sciandra, 4 firsts; Anfield, 1 third; Gambo, 2 firsts. HYB.: 1, Toasland; 2, Campini. CAGES: 1, Woodward; 2, Brass. AVIARIES: 1, 2, Ibbeken. Cups: Best Canary and best 1914 Can., Hibbard; best For., Woodward.

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ROCHDALE AMALGAMATION.

To keep the flag of the Fancy flying in the district, the members of the Rochdale O.C., Rochdale Good Intent, Smallbridge, Littleborough, Bury, and North Manchester, decided to run combined show, and it came off on Jan. 23 in the Club House of the Rochdale O.C. Entries did not come up so well as had been expected. Quality though was good, and some remarkably fine birds were shown, especially in the Lancashires. Sp. best bird fell to a magnificent yellow coppy shown by Mr. Hordern, which was closely pressed by the yellow Yorks. of Mr. Blackburn's, which took second sp. Mr. Jameson's noted ticked buff coppy continued its victorious career, and was fancied by many for the best bird special. Amongst the young birds the ticked buff coppy shown by the veteran Robert Barrass stood out. It was admired by all, and only needs a good adult moult to make one of the best Lancashires ever seen. Yorks. were particularly nice, birds of grand type and style, being well to the front. Norwich also were a good typical lot, but several of them carried just a trifle too much feather. In British were some very handsome birds, about the pick of the bunch were Mr. Francis's grandly mkd. rich coloured Goldfinch, and Mr. Blincoe's Bullfinch. It was a pity they had to meet in the same class. Mr. Adams made a most excellent secretary, and he was well assisted by the committee. Mr. C. A. House judged.

LANCS. COPPY YELL. (5): 1, 2, 4, vhc, sp best in show, Hordern; 3, Collinge. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Jameson; 2, Fielding; 3, Bordern; 4, Newill; hc, Adams. P.H. YELL. (5): 1, Fielding; 2, Newell; 3, 4, vhc, Hordern. BUFF (5): 1, 4, Bordern; 2, 3, Collinge; vhc, Jameson. HEN, COPPY (5): 1, vhc, Hordern; 2, 3, Newell; 4, Fielding. P.H. (4): 1, 3, Collinge; 2, 4, Newell. 1914 (4): 1, Barrass; 2, Jameson; 3, Fielding; 4, Newell. P.H. (5): 1, vhc, Newell; 2, Barrass; 3, Collinge; 4, Fielding. LIZ. CK. (7): 1, Naylor; 2, 3, 4, c, Naylor; vhc, Cheetham; hc, Corking. HEN (5): 1, 4, vhc, Hordern; 2, 3, Naylor. CREST OR C.B. (4): 1, 4, Collinge; 2, Hordern; 3, Armistead. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, sp 2nd best bird in show, Blackburn; 2, Leach; 3, Bamford; 4, Cocking; vhc, Clarke; hc, Howarth. BUFF (5): 1, Howarth; 2, Bordern; 3, Francis; 4, Bamford; vhc, Leach. HEN YELL. (4): 1, Francis; 2, Howarth; 3, Bamford; 4, Tonks. BUFF (4): 1, Bamford; 2, Heathcote; 3, Blackburn; 4, Tonks. 1914 YELL. (5): 1, Clarke; 2, Lees; 3, Howarth; 4, Heatheote; vhc, Clarke. HEN (4): 1, Cocking; 2, Sonpe; 3, Leach; 4, Tonks. NOV. YELL. (4): 1, sp 2nd best, 4, Collinge; 2, Cocking; 3, Dutton. BUFF (3): 1, sp best novice, Cocking; 2, 3, Collinge. NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Howarth; 2, vhc, Armistead; 3, Blackburn; 4, Blincoe; hc, Lees. BUFF (6): 1, Armistead; 2, Heatheote; 3, Howarth; 4, Francis; vhc, Colley; hc, Blincoe. HEN YELL. (4): 1, Howarth; 2, 3, Lees; 4, Hordern. BUFF (7): 1, hc, Leach; 2, Colley; 3, Armistead; 4, Cheetham; vhc, Howarth; c, Blincoe. YELL. UNFLIG. (3): 1, Lees; 2, Bamford; 3, Hordern. BUFF (3): 1, Robinson; 2, Colley; 3, Blincoe. BORDER CK. (4): 1, Dutton; 2, 3, 4, Colley. HEN (3): 1, Colley; 2, 3, Dutton. A.O.V. (3): 1, Collinge; 2, Leach. MULES (3): 1, Doley; 2, Rabbitt. GOLDF., ETC. (12): 1, Francis; 2, 4, c, Blincoe; 3, Daley; vhc, Robinson; hc, Hamer. GREENF., ETC. (12): 1, hc, Blincoe; 2, 4, Windle; 3, Hamer; vhc, Daley; c, Francis. A.O. HARDBILL (5): 1, 2, 4, Blincoe; 3, Daley; vhc, Robinson. Section Sps.: LANCS.: 1, Hordern; 2, Newill. LIZARDS: 1, Naylor; 2, Hordern. CREST: 1, Collinge; 2, Hordern. YORKS.: 1, Howarth and Cocking equal. NOR.: 1, Armistead; 2, Howarth. BORD.: 1, Colley; 2, Dutton. MULES AND BRIT.: 1, Blincoe; 2, Doley. NOV.: 1, Collinge; 2, Cocking. R.O.C. cup: Collinge.

LANCASTER C.B.S.

Sixteenth annual show, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, Nov. 20, 21. Entries were somewhat affected on account of the large number of members away on military duty. Mr. W. Mundell judged. The quality of exhibits was generally high. The official duties were efficiently discharged by Mr. C. J. Cafferty (Chairman), Mr. T. Swainson (Hon. Treas.) and Mr. H. Hoyle (Hon. Sec.). Spl. best bird in show was won by Mr. T. P. Alexander; Mr. T. Swainson cup most points Nor.; Mr. J. Harrison Yorks.; and Mr. T. Fisher British Mules and Hybrids. Mr. W. Wilson secured the medal most points Borders, and Mr. W. Winn in Novice.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Hoyle; 2, Haythornthwaite; 3, 4, Johnson. BUFF: 1, Swainson; 2, 4, Haythornthwaite; 3, Hoyle. HEN: 1, Mercer; 2, Haythornthwaite; 3, Beetham; 4, Hoyle. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 4, Swainson; 3, Hoyle. YORKS., YELL.: 1, 3, Cafferty and Son; 2, Mulliner; 4, Harrison. BUFF: 1, 2, Harrison; 3, 4, Cafferty and Son. HEN: 1, Cafferty and Son; 2, Mercer; 3, 4, Harrison. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Harrison; 3, Mulliner; 4, Cafferty and Son. CINN., NOB. YELL.: 1, 2, Haythornthwaite; 3, 4, Swainson. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, Haythornthwaite. HEN: 1, 2, Haythornthwaite; 3, Beetham; 4, Swainson. BORD.: 1, 4, Johnson; 2, 3, Mulliner. A.O.V.: 1, Mercer; 2, 3, 4, Swainson. HYB.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Alexander. MULE, EXCEPT. BULLF. CROSS: 1, 2, 3, 4, Fisher. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 4, Alexander; 2, 3, Fisher. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Fisher; 2, 3, 4, Alexander. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 3, Alexander; 2, 4, Fisher. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, 3, 4, Fisher. NOV., NOR. YELL.: 1, Radcliffe; 2, 3, 4, Winn. BUFF: 1 3, Winn; 2, 4, Radcliffe. GIFT: 1, Cafferty and Son; 2, Hoyle; 3, Mulliner; 4, Taylor.

LLANDUDNO O.S.

First members' show Mostyn Art Gallery, on Nov. 28. Entries came up well, total 92, some well-known winners put in an appearance. A word of praise is due to Mr. Williams, the new sec., who had every thing on the tip of his fingers. Mr. Sheldon judged.

NOR. YELL.: 1, 4, W. H. Williams, cl. yell., in grand fettle, easy win; 2, Fildes, nice feather and cond.; 3, R. W. Jones, clean cut, on the slim side; vhc, c, Hartle and Nolan. BUFF: 1, 3, W. H. Williams, 1st four-pointed, needs no comment, 3rd our choice for 2nd, short thick-set, good qual.; 2, Griffiths, nice qual. and feather; 4, Davies; vhc, Jones; c, Hartle and Nolan. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, vhc, W. H. Williams, former cl. yell., good bird all through, 2nd bull, not much to choose; 3, 4, c, R. W. Jones, good col., but not quite the class of leaders; hc, Hartle and Nolan. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, H. Thomas, cl. yell., nice pos., 2nd nice type; 3, Sergt. Evans; 4, vhc, A. M. Williams. BUFF: 1, 2, H. Thomas, good stock bird, 2nd nice bird, good feather and qual.; 3, Hartle and Nolan, clean cut, good all round, our choice for 1st; 4, Nolan; vhc, W. M. Jones; hc, Thompson; c, A. M. William. UNFLIG.: 1, Nolan, cl. bull, grand qual. of feather, A1 style, clean cut, easy win, 2, Sergt. Evans, check mark bull, nice type and qual., medium size; 3, H. Thomas, cl. yell., plenty of length, nice carr. and feather; 4, vhc, D. M. Jones; hc, Thomas; c, A. M. Williams. HEN: 1, A. M. Williams, clean cut, in grand form, easy win; 2, 3, W. M. Jones, cl. yell., grand type, well braced wings, good pos., 3rd cl. buff, good qual. all round; 4, Thomas, vhc, Thompson. BORD.: 1, Nolan, nice qual., in grand form; 2nd mkd. buff, good cond. MULES OR HYB.: 1, 3, 4, vhc, W. Williams, nice Siskin Mule, would do with more subs., 3rd grand Greenie Mule in grand form and colour; 2, Nolan, clear. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 4, Hartle and Nolan, nice Goldf., good square blaze, nice tanning and buttons; 2, vhc, good Bullf., grand col., good cap; 3, Fildes, Bullf. hen, good size, broad cap, grand cond.; vhc, Williams; hc, Roberts; c, Moss. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Nolan, nice Linnet, plenty of size, grand pencilling; 2, W. Williams, nice Linnet, but on small side, good markings; 3, R. W. Jones, good sized Redpoll, nice form; 4, vhc, Fildes. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, Nolan, one of the finest Waxwings out, not a feather out of place, perfect cond., 2nd good Hawfinch, plenty of size, grand cond.; 3, W. Williams, grand Greenf. FOR.: 1, Miss Taylor, nice White Javas; 2, 3, Moss, both nice Budgerigars; 4, Fildes.

CORK P.P. AND C.B.A.

Annual show, Nov. 25 and 26, City Hall. The show was organised on a more ambitious scheme than any preceding one, and the committee were well rewarded for their efforts. Mr. E. C. Dawson judged Canaries and Hyb., M. O'Reeffe and M. Arnstein Brit., and their awards were well received. Mr. Wm. Neville won Yorks. challenge cup for the third time, which now becomes his own property, and Mr. E. C. Dawson won for the fifth time the Brit. chall. cup, which also becomes his property. Mrs. O'Reeffe won sp. best Nor. hen; J. Cottrell, best Nor. ck. The hon. secs., Mr. W. E. Bourke, worked indefatigably.

CL. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 2, 3, Neville; res, Cottrell; vhc, hc, Lees. HEN (8): 1, Dalton; 2, Mills; 3, Neville. CL. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Lees; 2, Buckley; 3, Mills; res, Green. HEN (12): 1, Dalton; 2, Lee; 3, Lynch; res, Green; vhc, Mills; hc, Buckley; c, O'Reeffe. CINN. OR CINN. MKD. CK. (9): 1, Cottrell; 2, res, vhc, c, O'Reeffe; 3, Lynch. HEN (8): 1, Neville; 2, Lee; 3, Buckley; res, c, Lynch; vhc, hc, O'Reeffe. YORKS. A.O.C. CK. (15): The hottest class in the show, some ideal Yorkies out of the money: 1, Green; 2, Buckley; 3, vhc, Neville; res, Dalton; hc, Mill; c, Cottrell. HEN (7): 1, Green; 2, 3, res, Neville; vhc, hc, Mills. YORKS. CK. CONFINED (9): 1, 2, 3, Dalton; res, Wright; vhc, hc, c, Green. HEN (9): 1, Wright; 2, 3, c, Dalton; res, vhc, hc, Green. NOR. CL. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 2, res, 3, c, O'Reeffe; vhc, Miss Ruby; hc, Lee. BUFF CK. (6): 1, res, vhc, O'Reeffe; 2, Lee; 3, Miss Ruby. BUFF HEN (8): 1, 3, res, vhc, c, O'Reeffe; 2, Lee. DARK GOLDF.-CAN. (5): 1, 2, 3, Southwood. GOLDF. (6): 1, Dawson; 2, Cronin; 3, Southwood; res, vhc, Patterson. LINNET (7): 1, Dawson; 2, Southwood; 3, vhc, Patterson; res, O'Reilly; hc, Griffin; c, Cronin. BULLF. (10): 1, Dawson; 2, Southwood; 3, O'Reilly; res, vhc, Conron; hc, Noonan; c, Southwood. SISKIN (2): 1, 2, Dawson. TWITE OR REDPOLL (7): 1, 3, Dawson; 2, vhc, Reilly; res, Bishop; hc, Patterson. LARK (6): 1, res, Dawson; 2, 3, vhc, Patterson. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (7): 1, res, vhc, Dawson; 2, Abbot; 3, hc, Southwood. A.O BRIT. (8): 1, 2, 3, Dawson.

HEMSWORTH AND DONCASTER.

Second inter-club show of Hemsworth and Doncaster C.B. Societies for the Thellusson challenge cup, Doncaster, Nov. 28. Mr. W. Brotherton judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction. Points gained by each society: Hemsworth 111, Doncaster 107; during the season, Hemsworth 215, Doncaster 201, and the cup went to Hemsworth.

YELL. YORKS.: 1, Taylor; 2, Truman; 3, Brooks. BUFF: 1, Kendrick; 2, Blanchon; 3, Taylor. YELL. HEN: 1, Blanchon; 2, Hall; 3, Kelsey. BUFF: 1, Brooks; 2, Parkes; 3, Cook. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Blanchon; 2, Middleton; 3, Parkes. BUFF: 1, Rusling; 2, Parkes; 3, Taylor. HEN: 1, Cook; 2, Rusling; 3, Truman. YELL. NOR.: 1, A. Smith; 2, Truman; 3, W. Smith. BUFF: 1, Parkes; 2, Truman; 3, A. Smith. YELL. HEN: 1, W. Smith; 2, Blanchon; 3, Truman. BUFF: 1, Kelsey; 2, Parkes; 3, W. Smith. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Flint; 2, 3, Parkes. BUFF: 1, Graham; 2, Kendrick; 3, Truman. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Truman; 2, J. Ball; 3, Frost. GREENF.: 1, 2, 3, Blanchon. LINNET: 1, Govier; 2, Rusling; 3, Pogmore. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Ball; 2, Pogmore; 3, Simpson. BRIT. F.M.: 1, 2, Parkes; 3, Middleton. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2, Boscoby; 3, Truman. MULE: 1, Frost; 2, 3, Blanchon. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Hartshon. A. Graham, Sec.

KILMARNOCK.

Fortieth annual show, Co-operative Hall, Nov. 21. The hall is very suitable in every respect, plenty of top light and free from draughts. Entries were in excess of last year, and some grand exhibits were on view. Competition in most classes was very keen. Scotch Fancy cup, Allan; Nor., Armour; Bord., Smillie; Mule, Dunsmuir; Brit. and For., Metcalfe. Mr. W. Guthrie won Johnstone cup for best Canary with a grand buff Nor., and Mr. Metcalfe spl. best Brit. with a grand Bullf., he also won the Munro medal for most points. Judges were: Scotch Fancy and Nor., R. Martin, Kirkintilloch; Bord., T. Findlay, Muirkirk; Mules, Brit. and For., D. Hopkins, Darvel.

SCOTCH FANCY, PIED OR DARK CK. (5): 1, 2, 3, Allan. CL. OR FOUL HEN (1): Allan. PIED OR DARK HEN (4): 1, 2, 3, Allan. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Kerr; 2, Candish; 3, Muir. VAR. YELL. (9): 1, Muir; 2, Jones; 3, Guthrie. BUFF (9): 1, Guthrie; 2, 3, Black. VAR. BUFF (13): 1, Picken; 2, Armour; 3, Muir. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, 3, Muir; 2, Armour. VAR. AND YELL. HEN (7): 1, 2, Picken; 3, Jones. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN (12): 1, 2, Armour; 3, Jones. VAR. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Armour; 2, Muir; 3, Guthrie. N.F. CK. (5): 1, Armour; 2, McBride; 3, Jones. HEN (4): 1, Armour; 2, Kerr; 3, Muir. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Smillie; 2, Ferguson; 3, Robertson. VAR. (7): 1, 3, Smillie; 2, Robertson. BUFF CK. (12): 1, Crainie; 2, 3, Smillie. VAR. BUFF (8): 1, Ferguson; 2, Crainie; 3, Gibson. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Smillie; 2, Cree; 3, Robertson. VAR. YELL. (5): 1, Smillie; 2, Ferguson; 3, Gibson. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (11): 1, Smillie; 2, Crainie; 3, Gibson. VAR. (6): 1, Robertson; 2, Gibson; 3, Robertson. CINN. (1): 1, Boyd; 2, Robertson; 3, Cree. GR. (9): 1, Smillie; 2, 3, Robertson. MULE, DK. GOLDF. (8): 1, 3, Dunsmuir; 2, Brown. LINNET OR GREENF. (7): 1, 2, Jones; 3, Dunsmuir. A.O.V. (3): 1, Dall; 2, 3, Dunsmuir. GOLDF. (10): 1, 3, Jardine; 2, McGill. LINNET (4): 1, Dunsmuir; 2, Gardner; 3, McGill. GREENF., N.F. (10): 1, Jardine; 2, Cree; 3, Metcalfe. BULLF. (7): 1, Metcalfe; 2, 3, Dunsmuir. SISKIN, ETC. (11): 1, 2, Metcalfe; 3, Ireland. A.O. HARDBILL (11): 1, Dale; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Jardine. BULLF. HEN (8): 1, Metcalfe; 2, Smillie; 3, Jardine. A.O.B., HEN (11): 1, Metcalfe; 2, Race; 3, Dale. REDPOLL (12): 1, Dale; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Jardine. FOR. GOLDF. (5): 1, Metcalfe; 2, Race; 3, Parker. V.O. FOR. (1): 1, Parker. NOV., NOB. (7): 1, 2, Black; 3, Kerr. YORKS., CK. (6): 1, 2, 3, Thornton. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Thornton. GIFT (4): 1, Gibson; 2, Guthrie; 3, Ferguson.—J. Ferguson, Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this, just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

EDINBURGH (North Eastern) O.S.

Twenty third annual Members' Show, Regent Hall, Abbeymount, Nov. 14. Entries numbered 275. Mr. C. E. Dewar judged Scotch Fancy and Nor. and Mr. Wm. Dodds Bord. and Brit., and gave satisfaction. Mr. Morri on won cup for best Scotch Fancy, Mr. J. D. Dalrymple Norwich cup, Mr. J. Erskine Bord. cup.

SCOTCH FANCY CK. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, Morrison; 5, Malcolm. HEN (5): 1, Morrison; 2, 3, 4, Malcolm. RESE. CK. (10): 1, Dalrymple; 2, 4, Spence; 3, 6, Archibald; 5, Miss Kidd. HEN (10): 1, 2, Dalrymple; 3, Gourlay; 4, McGinty; 5, Miss Kidd. C.B. CK. (16): 1, 6, Spence; 2, Mason; 3, Kidd; 4, Archibald; 5, Gourlay. HEN (13): 1, 3, Courlay; 2, Spence; 4, Archibald; 5, Dalrymple. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Spence; 2, McGinty; 3, Currie; 4, Garrie; 5, Borthwick. BUFF (14): 1, 2, Murray; 3, McGinty; 4, 5, Clark; 6, McCartney. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Weir; 2, Borthwick; 3, 5, Spence; 4, Currie. BUFF (11): 1, 3, 4, Murray; 2, Currie; 5, Gourlay. VAR. CK. (11): 1, 2, Murray; 3, Dalrymple; 4, McCartney; 5, Currie. HEN (12): 1, Dalrymple; 2, Garrie; 3, Weir; 4, 5, 6, Murray. LINN. OR GR. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, McGinty. N.F. CK. (9): 1, 4, 7, Dalling; 2, Caincross; 3, Mason; 5, Reid. HEN (10): 1, 3, Purdie; 2, Mason; 4, Cairncross; 5, Reid. LINNET (12): 1, 3, McCartney; 2, Currie; 4, Weir; 5, Purdie. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 5, Forman; 2, Young; 3, Erskine; 4, Garrie. HEN (10): 1, 3, Erskine; 2, Young; 4, Rankin; 5, McGinty. BUFF CK. (14): 1, 4, Erskine; 2, 3, Young; 5, McGinty. HEN (8): 1, Erskine; 2, Rankin; 3, Young; 4, Garrie; 5, Weir. VAR. CK. (8): 1, 2, Erskine; 3, Weir; 4, Forman; 5, Garrie. HEN (4): 1, 2, Forman; 3, Weir. CINN. GR. CK. (13): 1, 5, Young; 2, 3, Erskine; 4, 6, McGinty. HEN (11): 1, Young; 2, 6, Erskine; 3, 4, McGinty; 5, Dougall. MULES (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Weir. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (6): 1, McGinty; 2, Weir; 3, Dalrymple. GREENF. (12): 1, 3, 5, Weir; 2, Cairncross; 4, Reid. LINNET (8): 1, McGinty; 2, 5, Reid; 3, Cairncross; 4, Dalrymple.

CUMNOCK C.B.S.

Annual show, Nov. 28, with a record entry of 271. Cup for most points was won for the third time by T. Findlay in Borders. Club medals for most points in sections: Scotch Fancy, Hainey; Norwich, Alexander; Bord., Findlay; Bord. club medal, Mossie; Brit., Smart and Mair.

Scotch Fancy: CL. OR FOUL CK.: 1, 3, Ralston; 2, 4, Hainey. HEN: 1, 2, Hainey; 3, 4, Ralston. PIED OR GR. CK.: 1, 3, Ralston; 2, 4, Hainey. HEN: 1, 3, Hainey; 2, Ralston. CLASS 5: 1, 2, 3, Hainey; vhc, hc, c, Ralston. NOR. YELL. VAR. CK.: 1, Black; 2, Alexander; 3, McDongall; 4, Richmond. HEN: 1, 3, Alexander; 2, McSorland; 4, McDongall; vhc, hc, Black. BUFF: 1, Wyper; 2, 3, Alexander; 4, hc, McSorland; vhc, McDongall. HEN: 1, McSorland; 2, 4, McDongall; 3, Alexander; vhc, Black; hc, Bannatyne. UNFLIG.: 1, Alexander; 2, Wyper; 3, Richmond; 4, hc, McSorland; vhc, Alexander; c, Bannatyne. HEN: 1, 2, Alexander; 3, 4, vhc, McSorland. BORD. YELL.: 1, McKean; 2, Mossie; 3, Findlay; 4, Dunlop. HEN: 1, 3, Findlay; 2, McKean; 4, Montgomery; vhc, Hunter. BUFF: 1, medal, Mossie; 2, Findlay; 3, Montgomery; 4, Crawford; vhc, Hunter. HEN: 1, 2, Findlay; 3, Mossie; 4, McKean; vhc, Montgomery. VAR. CK.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Findlay; 3, Montgomery; 4, c, Mossie. HEN: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Findlay; 3, Montgomery; 4, c, Mossie. YELL. MKD.: 1, 2, 4, hc, Findlay; 3, Mossie; vhc, Montgomery. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, hc, Findlay; 4, Mossie; vhc, Montgomery. GREEN: 1, 4, c, Findlay; 2, 3, hc, Richmond; vhc, Dunlop. CINN.: 1, 3, Montgomery; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Findlay. A.O.V.: 1, McDougall. GREENF.: 1, vhc, McGavin; 2, 4, Wyper; 3, Morgan. GOLDF.: 1, Smart; 2, Murray; 3, hc, Wyper; 4, McGavin; vhc, Murray. BULLF.: 1, Smart; 2, Wright; 3, Wyper; 4, Alexander; vhc, Wilson; hc, Boyes; c, Black. LINNET: 1, 2, Smart; 3, Wright; 4, Clewes; vhc, McGavin; hc, Alexander; c, Wyper. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, 3, Smart; 2, Robertson; 4, hc, Wright; vhc, Morgan; c, Murray. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Smart; 2, Dunlop; 3, McGavin; 4, Dunlop; vhc, Mitchell; hc, Wyper; c, Murray. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 4, Wyper; 2, Smart; 3, McGavin; vhc, McSorland; hc, Wilson. HEN: 1, McGavin; 2, c, Smart; 3, 4, Wyper; vhc, McSorland; hc, Howie. F.M. BRIT.: 1, 4, Smart; 2, hc, Murray; 3, Wright; vhc, McGavin; c, Nutt. LIGHT MULE: 1, Smart; 2, Wyper. DARK: 1, 2, vhc, Smart; 3, Murray; 4, Morgan; hc, Wyper; c, McGavin. HYB.: 1, Wilson; 2, Wyper; 3, Morgan. BOYS and GIRLS: 1, Steele; 2, Murray; 3, Richmond; 4, Morgan; vhc, Reid; hc, Nutt. GIFT: 1, Murray; 2, Findlay; 3, Steele; 4, McDougall.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Foresters' Hall, Nov. 28. One of the best the society has ever had both in regard to number (which was a record) and quality. Yorkshires particularly were a grand lot, and the splendid team of birds shown by Messrs. Bingham and Furniss came in for much admiration; they almost cleared the deck, taking five firsts in the six classes, as well as special for best young Yorks., with a slashing cl. yell. The bulk of the prizes in champ. Norwich went to Mr. A. H. Waters, who showed a grand team, and got special for best young Nor. The novice exhibitors are to be complimented on the advance made. Altogether the show was one of which the members had reason to be proud, and the object for which it was held was one of the best, viz., the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund. The show was officially opened by Councillor J. W. Crowther. Mr. P. Mason judged, and gave every satisfaction. Cup winners were: Champ. Yorks., Bingham and Furniss; novice, D. Pickering; champ. Nor., A. H. Waters; nov., A. W. Sparkes; Crest, J. Evans; Brit., L. Talding; F.M. Brit., S. Richards; best young Yorks., Bingham and Furniss; nov. bird, A. Bagshaw; young Nor., A. H. Waters; hottest bird, T. Dunford. Ring specials: champ. Yorks., 1st Bingham and Furniss; 2, Champion; 3, Jones. Nov., 1, Pickering; 2, Bagshaw. Champ. Nor., 1, Woolhouse; 2, Dunford. Nov., 1, Sparkes; 2, Woolhouse; 3, White. Crests, 1, Evans.

CHAMP. YORKS., CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, sp., vhc, c, Bingham and Furniss, 2, 4, Gregory; 3, W. H. Champion; hc, Drabble. BUFF: 1, Jones; 2, c, Drabble; 3, vhc, hc, Bingham and Furniss; 4, Webster. MKD.: 1, 2, Bingham and Furniss; 3, Drabble; 4, hc, Champion; vhc, Thorpe; c, F. Jones. YELL. HEN: 1, hc, Bingham and Furniss; 2, Gregory; 3, Jones; 4, Champion; vhc, Thorpe; c, Drabble. BUFF: 1, 4, vhc, Bingham and Furniss; 2, c, Drabble; 3, Gregory, hc, Webster. NOV. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, sp., 2, Bagshaw; 3, 4, Pickering; vhc, hc, Tow. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Pickering; 2, Tow; 4, c, Bagshaw; hc, Goodison. MKD.: 1, hc, Tow; 2, 4, Pickering; 3, Howarth; vhc, Bagshaw. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, 4, vhc, c, Pickering; 2, Goodison; hc, Howarth. BUFF: 1, 3, Tow; 2, 4, Pickering; vhc, Howarth; hc, c, Goodison. CHAMP. NOR., CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, sp., 2, vhc, Waters; 3, Hobson; 4, Hemming. BUFF: 1, 2, Waters; 3, hc, Hemming; 4, Dunford; vhc, Woolhouse. MKD.: 1, 2, 3, hc, Water; 4, vhc, Dunford; c, Hemming. YELL. HEN: 1, Waters; 2, 3, Dunford; 4, Woolhouse; vhc, Hemming. BUFF: 1, 3, Woolhouse; 2, 4, Waters; vhc, Hemming; hc, Dunford; c, Drabble. NOV. NOR., CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, Sisson; 2, Woolhouse; 3, Curley; 4, Sparkes; hc, Gill. CL. or TKD. BUFF: 1, Wragg; 2, Sparkes; 3, Curley; 4, Woolhouse; vhc, c, Sissons; hc, Goodison. UNEVEN MKD.: 1, c, Sparkes; 2, 3, White; 4, vhc, Curley; hc, Sisson. YELL. HEN: 1, Curley; 2, 3, Sparkes; 4, Wragg; vhc, Gill; hc, White. BUFF: 1, Woolhouse; 2, Gill; 3, Varley; 4, Wragg; vhc, White; hc, Marcroft; c, Curley. CRESTS: 1, 2, 3, Evans; 4, vhc, hc, c, Memmott. C.B.: 1, 3, Memmott; 2, 4, Evans. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 4, hc, Walsh; 2, 3, vhc, c, Fallding. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Fallding; 4, vhc, Walsh. NOV. BRIT., LINNET, ETC.: 1, c, Farnell; 2, 4, hc, Bearder; 3, Bailey; vhc, Richards. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Bearder; 3, hc, Bailey; 4, Richards; vhc, Gears; c, Farnell. OLD BIRDS YORKS., YELL., 1, 2, 3, Bingham and Furniss; 4, vhc, Wakefield. NOR. YELL.: 1, Gears; 2, 3, Dunford; 4 vhc, Waters; hc, Hemming; c, White. BUFF 1 4, Dunford; 2, Waters; 3, Marcroft; vhc, Robson; hc, Gears; c, Hemming. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Dunford; 2, Hobson; 3, Waters; vhc, c, Hemming; hc, Hobson. CRESTS: 1, 3, Evans; 2, 4, Memmott. GIFT: 1, Hobson; 2, Evans; 3, Waters; 4, Woolhouse; vhc, Bingham and Furniss; hc, White; c, Woolhouse. F.M. BRIT.: 1, 2, 4, c, Richards; 3, Fallding; vhc, Bearder; hc, Bailey.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Members' exhibition, Nov. 12, in place of the Open Show, Grange Park Hall; entries numbered about 60 above last year's entry in the members' section. The special feature was the fine gathering of Crest and C.B., Messrs. Wallace, Franz, Rhodes, Wheller, etc., all putting down some excellent specimens, Mr. Franz winning Champion, Wilson and Crested cups with a real beauty. The amateur cup went to Mr. Parker with a stylish Yorkie. Mr. Tuck with a capital young buff Nor. won Novice Trophy. Merit all through was quite high-class, amateurs and novices running the champions hard for many of the numerous spls. The show was once more in the capable hands of Messrs. Forse and Son, who have nothing to learn in the management, consequently everything was quite up to date. In their efforts they were ably assisted by Messrs. Farmer (Assist. Sec.), Wallace, Dalton, W. East, Taylor, etc. The show was well attended, Messrs. Robson and Norman judged.

NOR., YELL.: 1, 3, Taylor. BUFF: 2, 4, Taylor. HENS: 1, Taylor. UNFLIG: 1, 2, 3, Taylor. YORKS., YELL: 1, Jones; 2, Forse. BUFF: 1, 3, Jones; 2, Forse; 4, Bennett. VAR.: 1, Bennett; 2, Jones; 3, 4, Forse. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Bennett; 2, Williams; 3, Jones; vhc, King. BUFF: 1, vhc, Forse; 2, Bennett; 3, Jones; 4, King. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, vhc, Forse; 2, Jones; 3, King; 4, Williams; hc, Bennett. BUFF: 1, King; 2, Williams; 3, Forse. CREST: 1, 3, 4, Wallace; 2, Franz. C.B.: 1, 3, 4, Wallace; 2, Franz. UNFLIG.: 1, Franz; 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, c, Wallace. AMAT., NOR.: 1, 4, Dalton; 2, 3, Marshall. VAR.: 1, 2, Dalton. YELL. HEN: 1, Dalton; 2, Marshall. BUFF: 1, Dalton; 2, 3, Marshall. UNFLIG.: 1, Dalton; 2, Marshall. YORKS., YELL.: 1, Wyatt; 2, 3, Parker; 4, Wilkins. BUFF: 1, Parker; 2, Wilkins. VAR.: 1, 2, Parker; 3, Wyatt. HEN, YELL.: 1, Wyatt; 2, Wilkins; 3, Parker. BUFF: 1, Wyatt; 2, Parker. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Parker; 3, Wyatt; 4, Wilkins. BUFF: 1, Parker; 2, 4, Wilkins; 3, Wyatt. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Parker. NOV. NOR.: 1, 2, Tuck; 3, Underhay; 4, Mayor. VAR.: 1, 2, Major. HEN, YELL.: 1, Tuck; 2, Bloomfield. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Underhay; 2, Cooper. BUFF: 1, Tuck; 2, Underhay; 3, Cooper; 4, Bloomfield; vhc, Cooper. YORKS., YELL: 1, Marsh; 2, Longhurst; 3, Baxter; 4, Mrs. Ballard; vhc, Stevens; hc, Smith; c, East. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Collinge; 3, Longhurst; 4, East; vhc, Blackman; hc, Mrs. Ballard; c, Baxter. VARIEG.: 1, Stevens; 2, Baxter; 3, Ballard; 4, Smith; vhc, Major. HEN, YELL.: 1, Blackman; 2, Smith; 3, vhc, c, East; hc, Byford. BUFF: 1, Marsh; 2, Baxter; 3, Mrs. Ballard; 4, Byford; vhc, Stevens. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Smith; 2, Collinge; 3, Mrs. Ballard; 4, Wilson; vhc, East; hc, Byford; c, Baxter. BUFF: 1, Blackman; 2, Baxter; 3, Christie 4, Smith; vhc, East. NON-FED.: 1, Christie. CREST: 1, 4, vhc, c, Rhodes; 2, 3, hc, Whiller. C.B.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, Rhodes; 2, Reed; 4, Whiller. UNFLIG.: 1, 4, hc, c, Rhodes; 2, 3, Whiller. BORD.: 1, Hutchinson; 2, hc, c, Withers; 3, 4, Stevens; vhc, Fish. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Hutchinson; 3, 4, c, Withers; vhc, hc, Stevens. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Mrs. Ballard. LIGHT HYB.: 1, 3, Archer; 2, Barker; 4, vhc, Mrs. Ballard. DK.: 1, 3, Bayliss; 2, 4, Mrs. Ballard. A.O.V.: 1, Archer. BRIT.: 1, Parker; 2, Bayliss; 3, Mrs. Ballard. GREENF.: 1, Parker; 2, East; 3, Pettet; 4, Hellens. LINNET, ETC.: 1, hc, Parker; 2, 3, Pettet; 4, Dalton; vhc, c, Golding. A.O.V.: 1, Parker; 2, Pettet; 3, Dalton. SOFTBILL: 1, Fish. FOR.: 1, 2, Parker; 3, Bayliss; 4, Reed.

MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.—Show for hens, Jan. 9, Wharf Hotel. Mr. T. Filling, Halifax, judged a fair entry. Principal winners: Open, Sutcliffe and Walker and Mitchell. Nov., Thornton, Hardy, Wild.

SELBY C.B.S.—Second members' show, Museum Hall, Jan. 23. Mr. J. H. Dixon, judge. Winners of specials: Best Yorks. cock, J. Cliff; hen, J. Cliff; Yorks. ck., 1914, S. Parvin; hen, J. Cliff; Brit., D. Parvin.

CK.: 1, vhc, Cliff; 2, Parvin; 3, c, Brankett; hc, Hallett. 1914: 1, Parvin; 2, hc, Cliff; 3, c, Hallett; vhc, Wetherell. HEN: 1, 3, Cliff; 2, hc, Hallett; vhc, Prankett; c, Wetherell. BRIT., ETC.: 1, vhc, Parvin; 2, 3, Puleyn.—J. Cliff, Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.—Members' show, King's Arms Assembly Rooms, Blaenavon, Jan. 13. Nearly 80 entries; Mr. F. J. Bevan, Tredegar, judged. Principal winners: NOR.: Mortimer, Broome. NOV.: Selby and Morton, Thomas and Durham. YORKS.: Pritchard, Newell, Richards. NOV.: Morris, Warr, Richards. BORD.: Lapworth, Jones, Cooper. HYB.: Edward. BRIT.: Edwards, Morris, Thomas and Durham, Mortimer. NON FED YORKS.: Warr, H. H. Mortimer, hon. sec.

LEIGH C.B.S. Very successful joint show with Leigh and Bolton members, Rly. Hotel, Leigh, Jan. 23; 120 birds entered, and quality very good. Mr. J. Davies took sp. best bird, and best unflig. Nor.; Mr. G. E. Morris, best unflig. Yorks.; Mr. J. Davies, sp. most points by Bolton member; Mr. C. Walkden, most points by Leigh member. Mr. J. Beswick, Stockport, judged. Principal winners: NOR.: Davies, Ordish, Lawton, Dawson, Bailey. YORKS: Brooks, Spiby, Brierley, Morris, Davies. CRESTS: Lomas, Walkden. C.B.: Green, Lomas. A.O.V.: Green, Walkden. MULES: Taylor, Lomas, Cann. BRIT.: Walkden, Cann. FOR.: Cann, Walkden.—R. Charleson, Sec., 12, Lloyd Street, Leigh.

WALTON AND EVERTON C.B.S.

First old show, Mill Road Schools with a grand entry of 410. The duties of secretaries were carried out by Messrs. Robinson and Burns, who are new to the job, but got through their work in grand style. Cards were soon up. Special winners printed, and prize money all paid day of show.

The G.C.A. novice patronage was held in conjunction with above. 60 birds were benched, and would have given the champions a fair race. Messrs. Ogden Bros. and Wellings judged. YORKS CL. YELL.: 1, Evans; 2, Skilling; 3, Algie; vhc, Handley; hc, Rothwell; c, Steinart. BUFF: 1, 2, Skilling; 3, Rothwell; vhc, c, Evans; hc, Rothwell. TKD. YELL.: 1, Skilling; 2, Steinart; 3, Douglas; vhc, Evans. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, vhc, Handley; 3, Algie; hc, Metcalfe; c, Evans. VAR. YELL.: 1, Algie; 2, Brindle; 3, Evans; vhc, Skilling; hc, Steinart. BUFF: 1, vhc, Skilling; 2, Rothwell; 3, Evans; hc, Algie. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, c, Rothwell; 2, Steinart; 3, Handley; vhc, Evans; hc, Algie. BUFF: 1, c, Skilling; 2, hc, Algie; 3, Handley; vhc, Rothwell. CL. YELL HEN: 1, Metcalfe; 2, vhc, Handley; 3, Rothwell; hc, Evans; c, Steinart. BUFF: 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, c, Evans; vhc, Metcalfe; hc, Skilling. TKD. YELL.: 1, Skilling; 2, Lowe; 3, Williams. BUFF: 1, Handley; 2, Algie; 3, Steinart. VAR. YELL. HEN: 1, Roberts; 2, Rothwell; 3, Steinart; vhc, Algie. BUFF: 1, Rothwell; 2, Evans; 3, Algie; vhc, Huyton. UNFLI. YELL. HEN: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Handley; 3, Skilling; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Steinart; c, Algie. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Algie; 3, hc, Handley; vhc, Metcalfe; c, Evans. CINN.: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Evans; 3, Parsons. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, Steinart; 2, Skilling; 3, Evans; vhc, c, Parsons; hc, Rothwell. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Rothwell; 3, Evans. FOUL YELL.: 1, Bell; 2, Steinart; 3, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Algie; 3, Handley; vhc, Bell; hc, Brindle; c, Parsons. YELL. HEN: 1, hc, Algie; 2, Parsons; 3, Evans; vhc, Skilling; c, Brindle. BUFF: 1, Steinart; 2, Brindle; 3, Skilling; vhc, Algie; hc, Bell; c, Evans. UNFLI. YELL.: 1, vhc, Smith; 2, hc, Algie; 3, Steinart; c, Rothwell. BUFF: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Algie; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Parsons; c, Evans. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN: 1, Parsons; 2, Rothwell; 3, Evans; vhc, Algie. BUFF: 1, 3, Algie; 2, vhc, Bell; hc, Smith; c, Evans. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Wilkins; 2, Roberts; vhc, Huyton; hc, Rev. Pink; c, Parsons. YELL. HEN: 1, Roberts; 2, Parsons. YELL. OR BUFF: 1, Parsons; 2, Roberts; 3, Brindle. HEN: 1, Roberts; 2, Parsons. YORKS., NAT. COL.: 1, Algie; 2, Handley; 3, Brindle; vhc, Holmes; hc, Steinart. G.C.A. Novice Green Classes. YORKS. GR. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Richardson; 3, Rogers; vhc, hc, Evans; c, Steinart. YELL. HEN: 1, Richardson; 2, Cutts; 3, Smith; vhc, Steinart; hc, Roger; c, Postlethwaite. NOR. GR. BUFF: 1, Bache; 2, Parsons; 3, hc, Stead; vhc, c, Pugh. YELL. HEN: 1, Bache; 2, hc, Pugh; 3, vhc, Stead. BORD. GR. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Collier; hc, Redpath; c, Longmore. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, hc, Collier; 2, Longmore; vhc, c, Redpath. NOV. MEMB. YORKS. CL. YELL: 1, vhc, Huyton; 2, Holmes; 3, Broadbent; hc, c, Kewn. BUFF: 1, Huyton; 2, Holmes; 3, Broadbent; vhc, hc, Lowe; c, Williams. TKD. BUFF: 1, Huyton; 2, Broadbent; 3, Lowe; vhc, Rev. Pink; hc, Draper. VAR. YELL.: 1, Huyton; 2, Roberts; 3, Lowe. UNFLI. YELL.: 1, hc, Broadbent; 2, 3, vhc, Huyton; c, Rev. Pink. BUFF: 1, Douglas; 2, vhc, hc, c, Broadbent; 3, Roberts. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, vhc, Huyton; 3, Broadbent; hc, Roberts; c, Lowe. BUFF: 1, Lowe; 2, c, Huyton; 3, Broadbent; vhc, Kewn; hc, Roberts. TKD. BUFF: 1, Broadbent; 2, Lowe; 3, Rev. Pink. UNFLI. YELL HEN: 1, Broadbent; 2, Douglas; 3, vhc, Huyton. BUFF: 1, 3, Broadbent; 2, hc, Huyton; vhc, Rev. Pink; c, Williams. CINN.: 1, Huyton; 2, Holmes; 2, Roberts. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, Longmore; 2, vhc, Roberts; 3, Richardson. BUFF: 1, Kewn; 2, 3, Handley; vhc, Williams. FOUL YELL.: 1, Handley; 2, Richardson; 3, Holmes. BUFF: 1, 3, Roberts; 2, Longmore. YELL. HEN.: 1, Roberts; 2, vhc, Broadbent; 3, Lowe; vhc, Douglas; c, Handley. BUFF: 1, Roberts; 2, Douglas; 3, Handley; vhc, Huyton; hc, Lowe; c, Longmore. UNFLI. YELL.: 1, Richardson; 2, 3, Jones; vhc, Handley; hc, c, Roberts. BUFF: 1, Jones; 2, Richardson; 3, Longmore; vhc, Roberts; hc, Douglas; c, Lowe. UNFLI. YELL. HEN: 1, Handley; 2, 3, Roberts. BUFF: 1, 2, Roberts; 3, Douglas; vhc, Kewn; hc, Handley; c, Williams. NOR. CL. BUFF HEN: 1, vhc, Redpath; 2, Wilkins; 3, Roberts; hc, Huyton. VAR.: 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, Roberts; vhc, Redpath. BORD. GR.: 1, vhc, hc, Kewn; 2, Longmore; 3, Williams. LINNET, H.M.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Brindle. GREENF.: 1, Lowe; 2, Bell; 3, Rothwell. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH: 1, 2, 3, Rothwell; vhc, Lowe. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, Metcalfe; vhc, hc, Lowe. LINNET, F.M.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Bell. HEN, A.V.: 1, Lowe; 2, Rothwell. MULE: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Rothwell.

LEIGH C.B.S.

Annual show, Nov. 28, Railway Hotel, Assembly Room. About 120 exhibits faced Mr. Chas. Boult n, who judged. Nor. and Yorks. came up very strong, and competition ruled very keen. The birds right through were of high class, and quite fit for any open competition. Best bird cup went to a remarkable buff Yorkshire ck. shown by Mr. Spiby, who won the cup as well. Other specials: Messrs. Marginson, Ordish, and Collier. Mr. Charleson, the hon. sec., always has matters in good order, and gets well supported in every way by his members. An open Linnet class was well supported by the contest singing Linnet fanciers, and some of these in their hop cages looked really up to the mark. Altogether it was a real good members' show.

NOR. YELL. CK.: (9): 1, Ordish, fine bold headed bird, good body, wings and tail, nice col. and cond.; 2, hc, Marginson, ck., level col. and feather, nice type and cond.; 3, Collier, rare head and shape; vhc, Lomas; c, Dawson. BUFF (3): 1, sp. 2, best in show, Marginson, typical cobby variegated, lovely bloom, well mealed, in grand feather; 2, Collier, very typical clear, lovely bloom and silky feather; 3, hc, c, Dawson, rather longer, fine head, good col. and cond.; vhc, Lomas. YELL. HEN (9): 1, 2, Ordish, fine birds, both in A1 cond.; 3, Dawson, good sound col., feathered well; vhc Wilkinson; hc, Walkden; c, Marginson. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Marginson, slashing big cobby bird, rare head and back, lovely qual.; 2, c, Dawson, smaller, but A1 feather, shape, etc.; 3, variegated, lovely bloom and cond.; vhc, Wilkinson; hc, Lomas. YELL. YORKS. CK. (9): 1, vhc, hc, c, Spiby, grand quartet, leader a grand bird all over; 2, Ashton, more breedy, very upstanding; 3, Hulme, A1 pos. BUFF (10): 1, 3, c, Spiby, very pretty trio, and little in the lot, 1st takes sp. best bird in show, real model to day; 2, Collier, shade heavier, full of col., bloom, and style; vhc, Taylor; hc, Hulme. YELL. HEN (9): 1, vhc, hc, Spiby, grand trio, of the right stamp; 2, 3, Hamer, both good type and stand, grand cond.; c, Collier. BUFF (8): 1, 2, vhc, Spiby, lovely trio of good Yorks., in grand order; 3, c, Hamer, larger, nice style and carr.; hc, Ashton. CRESTS: 1, 3, Lomas, leader heaviest and best formed crest, well clothed; 2, vhc, Green, 2 veiny crest, tilts just a little in rear of crest to-day, like a hen. C.B.: 1, Green, variegated, fine skull, well feathered, good size; 2, 3, Lomas, smaller all round. A.O.V.: 1, Green, well laced Lizard; 2, 3, vhc, Walkden, good Borders and a well laced Lizard. MULE: 1, 2, hc, Taylor, grand dark buff Gold-Can. leading, grand size, 2 uneven, small buff Gold.-Can. A1 cond.; 3, Cann, dark buff Linnet Can.; vhc, Lomas. BRIT.: 1, 3, Cann, fine, well Spotted Thrush, and a neat Greenf.; 2, Walkden, pretty Bullf., fine col., bloom and cond.; vhc, hc, Charleson. GIFT: 1, Collier; 2, Spiby; 3, Dawson. OPEN, LINNET (11): 1, Mullineaux, very fine size, shape, markings, and cond.; 2, Davies, good shape, a little smaller than 1; 3, Jones; vhc, Cowburn; hc, Roughly; c, Statham. FOR. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Cann, perfect White Java leading, all in fine cond.; hc, Walkden.

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SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(Continued from page 33.)

THE plan of keeping a number of Parrots at liberty is one which not many aviculturists will care to attempt, since the conditions indispensable to success are not to be found everywhere, and heavy losses are likely to be sustained, especially at the outset of the experiment. Nevertheless there is a charm about it which atones for many disappointments; and successes, when they do come, are perhaps all the better appreciated for the failures which may have gone before.

The beauty of the birds' plumage is certainly most apparent when they are living in complete freedom, partly because they attain a depth and brilliance of colour seldom seen among the inhabitants of even the largest and best-kept aviaries. There is, too, the satisfactory knowledge that *if* a true pair can only be induced to stay they are practically certain to make an attempt at breeding, and the results are likely to be satisfactory; for, while bad weather and accidents do, often enough, spoil one's hopes, infertile eggs and neglected young are almost unknown where birds are nesting under more or less natural conditions. Lastly, there are many interesting facts brought to light about the wild life of both rare and common species which can never be discovered as long as the birds are in any degree confined.

Three Essential Conditions.

The three conditions most necessary to success are:—(1) Good winter cover. (2) Good natural nesting accommodation. (3) Trustworthy neighbours who can see an unfamiliar bird without instantly trying to shoot it.

A really thick spruce wood provides about the best form of winter cover, but any kind of tall, dense evergreen will answer the purpose well enough. *Abies orientalis* gives even better shelter than *Abies excelsa*, but is seldom found planted in any other way than as a single specimen tree. For nesting purposes English trees unfortunately appear to furnish very indifferent accommodation, especially for Long-tailed Parrakeets, which will sometimes spend many weeks in an unsuccessful search after a home to suit their taste, and finally leave the neighbourhood in disgust never to return.

Very old oaks, elms, beeches and poplars are most likely to provide Parrots with habitable quarters, and where these are absent some good may be done by fixing up artificial nest barrels. These should always be placed as far from the ground as possible, and where small or medium-sized birds are kept they should have entrance holes narrow enough to keep out Brown and White Owls, which are apt to play havoc among the nestlings and sitting hens. To exclude a Barn Owl the hole should not be more than 2 5-8th inches in diameter; to exclude a Brown Owl 3 1-8th inches; 2 3-8th inches will keep out a Jackdaw, and 2 1-8th inches a Little Owl.

Cockatoos, the larger Parrakeets, and, in fact, most members of the Parrot family are usually, in the first instance, best turned with cut wings into a roomy grass enclosure out of which they cannot climb. If released full-winged they are more than likely to be lost at once, but where the other plan is adopted their powers of flight are restored gradually during the course of the moult, and they are for a long time only capable of going short distances in the neighbourhood of their home.

Mind Your Valuable Trees.

The enclosure, which should contain no valuable trees or shrubs (since cut winged Parrots are ten times more destructive than those which are able to fly) must be provided with plenty of branches for the birds to perch on, good temporary shelter from rain and wind, and a feeding tray of the same pattern as those on which the birds will find their seed after they have scattered about the wood or garden in which it is hoped that they will make their home.

A certain amount of trouble is often caused by fighting, and it is an unfortunate fact that where both assailant and victim are unable to fly, the latter for some reason has usually great difficulty in making its escape. The only plan is to shut up the worst offenders—usually old cocks in breeding condition—until such time as their mates, if they have any, are able to fly, when they may be allowed to join them without much risk of straying.

Very tame Amazon Parrots and Macaws can generally be allowed the full use of their wings from the first; but it is desirable that they should become thoroughly familiar with their surroundings before being released, and it is also well to allow them a little preliminary flying practice in an aviary or large room. It sometimes happens that Parrots which have been long confined in cages are very clumsy and erratic in their flight during the first few days of their unaccustomed liberty, and having settled in a tall tree they will starve for many hours before they can summon up courage to attempt a descent to the ground.

Lovebirds should also be released full-winged after having been kept for some weeks in an aviary containing a feeding tray of the same appearance as those they will find outside. They behave like small Finches similarly treated, and seldom give trouble by straying on the day they receive full liberty.

In dealing with Cockatoos, Lorikeets, and certain Parrakeets, it is sometimes safe in the case of mated pairs more or less in breeding condition to allow the male bird to fly, and some weeks later, when he has become thoroughly familiar with his surroundings, to permit his wife to join him. In following this plan it is of vital importance that the hen should remain in full view of her mate when he first goes out, and it is most risky to attempt it unless the mutual affection of the two birds is obviously very great indeed.

How Circumstances Count.

When new arrivals will find other individuals of their own species already at liberty the necessity for wing-cutting may or may not exist, and will depend on circumstances. In the case of sociable and highly gregarious kinds the strangers may usually be expected to join their companions at liberty and give no trouble, especially if they are released one at a time. On the other hand, in dealing with birds not particularly sociable and gregarious, considerable care must be taken, or losses will be sure to follow. Let us take the *Platycercinæ* as an illustration.

If you have three adult pairs of Rosellas flying at large and desire to add to your stock by importation, it is perfectly useless to turn the new birds out full-winged in the hope that the others will induce them to stay; they will do no such thing, and will only bully them and accelerate their departure. If you have a small flock of young Rosellas which have not yet paired, the case is rather different, and it is usually safe to allow other young birds and even adults cocks to join them full-winged. Adult hens, on the other hand, are intolerant of the presence of young birds which do not belong to them, and are apt to resent rather than welcome their company.

(To be Continued.)

Correspondence.

Six Bullfinch Hens in One Nest.

SIR,—I had a curious experience with a nest of Bullies last season. I took the nest, which contained young, when they were three days old, and successfully hand-reared them. After the autumn moult they all proved to be hens, and should be invaluable as hybrid breeders. I wonder if any of your readers has heard of such a case, and would give their opinion of the cause.

D. ROBERTSON.

Home Grown Bird Seed.

SIR,—There is no difficulty in growing some of our bird seeds in England. A considerable quantity of canary seed was at one time grown in Kent. The seed was somewhat smaller than the so-called Spanish, but was nice and full, and readily eaten by the birds. It does best in a light soil, and should be sown in rows about eight inches apart. In an ordinary summer it ripens easily. Unfortunately wild birds are also partial to it, and it needs watching just as it ripens. The same remark applies to rape, for if there should happen to be a decent crop, all the Linnets for miles around find it out and flock to the feast—a beautiful study in bird life, but bad for the cultivator.

H. N.

How to Make Members Attend Meetings.

SIR,—"Anxious" in his last letter touches upon a matter which is vitally associated with the future well-being of the Fancy. As the majority of the cage-bird societies are established "to promote the proper keeping of cage birds"—which is an essentially unselfish object—it would appear that fanciers should need no inducement to attend meetings if they are genuinely in sympathy with the aims of their association. I can only deplore, however, that not only are fanciers lackadaisical in supporting their societies, but even the societies themselves seem to be too insular and jealous of each other. Many big towns have several societies. Here in London I suppose we have at least a dozen first-class clubs, and I am of opinion that if all these clubs made a practice of throwing all their club shows open to all fanciers who undertook the delivery and collection of their birds, the advantages to the Fancy would be enormous. So far, at any rate, as London is concerned, the exhibition "season" would be practically the whole year round, and Canary fanciers could get a variety of expert opinions on their pairs at the various pair shows. Furthermore, there would be a tendency for fanciers to belong to several societies, which latter would benefit by a larger subscription list. In order to induce or compel backward fanciers to attend meetings, a rule could be passed that no member could exhibit at a lower entry fee than outsiders unless he attended at least, say, three meetings a year.

A. R. COE.

Morley and District C.B.S. is Revived.

SIR,—On Jan. 26, at the "Shoulder of Mutton," a few of the old members, together with some two or three new members, met and reformed the Morley and District C.B.S. We elected all the officials for the year, and passed the rules used by the old society, with an exception, that the subscription is 3s. a year, 1s. on admission, and the other 2s. to be paid before the 31st of Dec. Next meeting at the above place, first Tuesday in March. We welcome any fanciers in the district. Why we in Morley should not have a really good society I am at a loss to see. Now Morley fanciers, please wake up and rally round. I was elected secretary with Mr. Bywater as assistant, and shall be pleased to give any information to any one.

J. W. MITCHELL.

14, Pairson Street, Morley.

The Cause and Cure of Sweating Hens.

SIR,—All my life I have been keenly interested in anything alive, especially birds. Re sweating hens: Doubtless these have been the ruin of some of my brightest hopes, and after a lot of research I have come to the conclusion that it is not owing to one, or two, causes, but to many. Now sweating is only the effect of looseness of the bowels in the chicks, generally caused by debility and a breakdown in the constitution of the parent stock. When sweating appears to any extent in a breeding room, it is not a matter to be patched up. The fancier will know that it is Nature's warning that she has reached the limit, and that it is time for him to apply the brake. Let him ask himself such questions as these: Have I been overshowing; using too much heat; feeding up too much; forcing into breeding condition; inbreeding; mating delicate stock; allowing insufficient exercise; keeping the stock in damp or a draught; giving too much pepper, etc? Should a fancier have a valuable hen and her first nest of chicks "sweat," I should advise him to turn her into the flight for the rest of the season. In fact it would be a good thing for the Fancy if all fanciers would run a percentage of their young hens over the first season. Should be pleased to discuss above causes and remedies with any fancier.

F. R. P.

(Correspondence continued overleaf.)

THE WINTER MANAGEMENT OF CANARIES.

By E. W. ALLSOPP (Cardiff).

(Concluded from page 51.)

WITH great astonishment I have on occasions noted the opinions of some writers, who declare how very inferior to, and what shockingly poor substitutes for, nature's items of diet are the seeds of commerce, and other foodstuffs we offer our birds when in captivity. I agree with this until the tale is told how deficient in feeding value are they compared with nature's bill of fare. If such writers are agreed that in those plump grubs and insects, their eggs and seeds and greenstuffs in various stages of development, there is some nourishment, I will say there is more in them that is not nourishment. Nature, I really think, has seen to the nourishment in these things being reduced to an almost irreducible minimum.

Every time I watch a Spotted Flycatcher launch itself into the air and catch an insect, I realise its effort, though so natural, has drawn some little toll upon its energy which that captured insect will no more than replace; and so, practically, from daylight to dark, the bird simply has to keep on catching insects to live. In the same way have I noted a flock of Linnets or Greenfinches foraging during the winter. Acres of land are covered each day, merely to clear perhaps a few obnoxious weed seeds, which I agree are better suited to them than the seeds we supply during captivity, but only so because our seeds are much too nourishing under the changed environments.

Just reflect upon the life of a Canary in a twenty-four inch cage; is it not almost a life of eating merely to live? What amount of energy has been put forth, for example, to hop from the perch to seed box, in a few moments to be comfortably outside a dozen or twenty grains of canary seed? Such a feed in nature during winter would have cost a Greenfinch a whole morning's work, perhaps. And it is because of all this my feeding tends to bulk and not nourishment.

If there is not more actual nourishment in a teaspoonful of hemp, rape, niger, or maw seed, than any of our seed-eaters could procure outside during a winter's day, then I am deceived. But I think I am not, and so see to it that none of my birds get the opportunity of more than a quarter of a teaspoonful per day of any of those seeds mentioned, because I fail to reason why they require more. I am quite sure the liberal manner in which our birds are sometimes treated in this respect does no more than defeat the very object we seek, viz., good health and condition.

Canary seed is undoubtedly a splendid staple diet in every way, and additional seed diet should be more in the nature of a little with a big promise of more. A dozen hemp seeds per bird per day during bitterly cold weather constitutes a real feed, and beneficial, and which may be varied upon other days by a pinch of niger, maw, or rape. And when I say a "pinch," don't compare it with the liberal pinches of snuff some old folks take, which fetch neither a sneeze nor a tear, but just a pinch, sufficient, perhaps, for a threepenny bit to carry. In the event of a prolonged spell of cold weather, a small helping of crushed oats is good; also just one per bird, nicely boiled haricot or butter bean, or blue pea. Another nice change is boiled rape, and if steadily boiled for ten minutes or so, you may dish out quite a quarter of a teaspoonful per bird. It is rather relaxing, and after so boiling I regard it more in the light of a filling, bulky ration, rather than sustaining.

For distinctly milder weather, apples, pears, bananas, boiled carrot, beetroot and potato are capital, bulky, and filling, daily auxiliary items to canary seed, and as we have rather long spells of mild weather in Cardiff, I find it necessary to practically confine the rations of seeds, other than canary, to merely promises, and rely upon the "spoon vittals," as someone described anything that was not meat. Occasionally I offer a small cube per bird of milk sop, made either with bread, or plain granulated biscuit, with a little sugar added in each instance. But eggs in any form I strictly taboo from the end of the breeding season until the first family arrives in the next season.

Each day it is the rule to add something to the daily diet of canary seed, and it varies in character according to the weather and the individual bird. But strict moderation is the key-note, and although I do not wish to emulate the Frenchman, who persuaded his donkey to live upon one straw a day, in the feeding management of my stock, I must admit the tighter my grip becomes upon the various oil seeds we generally use in conjunction with canary seed, the more firm becomes my grip upon the good health of the stock.

Prudence forbids me going so fully into this as I might, as I am mindful I am writing of my own stock and methods. Nevertheless I trust I have furnished ample reasons to support my views that under the environment of cage life much of our troubles in the bird-room may be eliminated either with a greater opportunity for exercise being afforded our stock or by considerably modifying the rations of rich, stimulating seeds. It is worth a trial, and for the birds' sakes I hope it will be tried where not yet adopted. Don't tend your stock as an automatic machine, but sometimes pause and ask: "Why do I do these things?" This will spell progress.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

Medals in Lieu of Money.

Sir,—I am glad to notice the suggestion of "Hopeful" that the Welsh National Show should give successful competitors the option of selecting a medal in place of prize-money. I observe from the balance-sheet just to hand that the Scottish National Show does so as well as the Crystal Palace. I feel that the option would be much appreciated by those who do not hunger after prize-money, but follow out the Fancy as a recreative hobby.

James Hay.

The Value of "Push."

Sir,—I hasten to assure Mr. H. Coker that my reference to "truthful language" has no bearing in the manner he perhaps has accepted it. Many advertisers "truthfully tell untruths" by under or over-rating the excellence of the birds, due to their inability to grasp or retain in their minds the average standard of excellence as drawn up for each particular breed. Apart from this point I gathered from Mr. Coker's letter that sales failed to materialise because of lack of enquiries, and as he seems very certain his birds were the full value of prices asked, I can only regret he has not submitted examples of his advertisements that we may judge whether he has, or not, done himself and birds full credit. On every hand I hear of this season, with Plainhead fanciers, being one of the best on record, one breeder already having booked nearly twenty pounds' worth of stock to breed and deliver next season, and I do hope if Mr. Coker happens to be a Plainhead man and still has good stock on offer, that he will not fail to proclaim the good news with an advt., resulting in mutual satisfaction to seller and buyer, which is really the soul of business even when selling our surplus birds.

E. W. Allsopp.

Mice and Rats in Aviaries.

Sir.—I can heartily sympathise with Mr. W. Bennett as I have suffered greatly from rats. Though none of my birds were very valuable, they were pets, and their loss was keenly felt. Out of a total of twelve, eight birds were taken within a week until I stopped the rats' entrance holes by cementing the floor. The brutes did not even leave so much as a feather; the only trace of violence being stains of blood. One of the slaughtered birds was a hen Cutthroat which used fearlessly to perch on my hand and eat mealworms out of it while I stood in the aviary. I have not given up, however, in spite of the fact that my foreign bird experiences only started in June, and am waiting to restock the aviary.

R. Maxwell Savage.

Sir.—Cementing up all holes is a good plan. Many well-baited traps will keep the number down. This is better, however:—Cage wire fronts made with small mesh of ⅜in., with hooded seed and water vessels, or food and water inside cage. I have not known a mouse get through a ⅜-in. mesh.

J. Kay.

Sir,—I notice Mr. Bennett's letter, and should be much surprised if the cause of death was really mice. These vermin do give a deal of trouble in fouling the seed trough, but I can scarcely think they have attacked the birds; though they may scare them to flutter to death in the dark. My idea is that rats have done the mischief, by hypnotising them as they roost, and seizing them when they fall.

W. G. Smithson.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—In reply to the editorial remarks at the bottom of my letter of last week, I never mentioned that Mr. Maddison had anything to do with starting the present discussion, but I did state near enough that he, Mr. M., sent the letter signed "Scotch Thistle."

R. D. Parlett.

[Whatever Mr. Parlett's intentions may have been, his letter certainly seemed to us to assert that Mr. Maddison was responsible for the present discussion.—Editor.]

Sir,—I hasten to thank Mr. Parlett for his courteous letter in last week's Cage Birds. This is the second time he has given me a free and valuable advertisement in connection with his Hybrid. I hope Mr. Parlett will forgive me for having an opinion of my own, and for daring to back up that opinion. He accuses me of being afraid to sign my name, and yet previously he complained of three occasions where I did sign my name, and I rather suspect it is the remembrance of the same that is still rankling in his mind. No, sir, it was neither shame nor cowardice that caused me to use a nom de plume to the few lines I sent you. I was under the impression that the sensational Hybrid was the subject under discussion. Evidently Mr. Parlett is using the proverbial red herring to try and divert your readers' attention. Mr. Parlett is a good guesser—as anyone would be, after requesting, and receiving, a few lines of poetry and afterwards seeing a copy of it in your paper. Had I imagined that its appearance in Cage Birds would have intensified his soreness I would not have sent it to you.

That grand Hybrid, "White Rose," may
now dance, sing, or whistle.
And laugh at his critics, "Red Rose," and
"Scotch Thistle";
They've got what is vulgarly termed a
"knockout."
It's been finally settled beyond any doubt,
That instead of one father, "White Rose"
has had two,
He proves it as clearly as birdie can do.
This fact should be duly recorded in history,
While we're all jolly glad we have solved
the great mystery.

White Rose.

Affairs of the Yorkshire C.C. of Scotland.

Sir,—"One Less" calls attention to a note in the catalogue of the recent Glasgow open show which states that the above club is doing everything in its power to strengthen the hold of the Yorkshire in Scotland. The same note goes on to say that those interested or wanting information will be furnished with all particulars by the secretary (whose name and address is given). Therefore had "One Less" only been wanting information he could have written, and the same would have been supplied. We therefore conclude that, although his letter consists of questions, information was not the object.

Taking questions 1 and 2 together, there were no novice classes in the schedules of the patronage shows, for although the proportion of novices in the membership is considerable, they could scarcely expect that open shows would take the risk of novice classes when it is known what has been done for the novice, and what the result has been. There is a valuable cup confined to novices. This year that cup was won with 8 points; last year it was won with 7 points; a good special for runner-up was not won at all—showing what good triers the novice members are. Other specials in the classes were confined to novices. I am not aware that any "official" of the S.Y.C.C. exhibited birds in another fancier's name; but if "One Less" knew this to be the case, or that any rule was broken, the proper course was open to him to protest, and the committee of any of the Glasgow societies would have given the matter careful attention; but it is perhaps easier for "One Less" to make insinuations than to risk a few shillings for a protest. Re the statement that a judge officiated on birds which he had sold during the previous fortnight, if "One Less" will say which judge he refers to, the party accused will be the best one to explain for himself. As genuine sales are not uncommon among good fanciers (not of the class of "One Less") it would be foolish of any judge to think that "One Less" referred to him, unless he has the courage to make a direct statement.

Re the election of office-bearers: A more modern method is not (to my knowledge) in vogue in any society. It is fair and honourable, as it puts into office the men whom the majority of the members want. The judges for the patronage shows are not elected by the S.Y.C.C., but by the society holding the show, and if they are not considered suitable (their names being given when patronage is applied for) then the patronage can be withheld, while no judge can under the rules officiate at two patronage shows. If "One Less" was at the meeting, he would have had his say with the others. It is very evident he was not or, at least, has not had the courage to state his grievances there (although he says he is deeply interested), as this is the first we have heard of these complaints. In the interests of the Yorkshire C.C. of Scotland, I am glad to hear he is to be "One Less," as one or two less of that kind of member would be for the good of the club, when, I have no doubt, their places will be taken up by one or two more of the desirable exhibitors who work in harmony for the real advancement of the Yorkshire.

A Member.

Sir.—With reference to the letter on the above which appeared in your last issue, I have heard my name freely mentioned on several occasions as its author. Possibly the fact that I have been at no pains to conceal my opinion on the third point raised by "One Less" is responsible for this; nevertheless, I did not write the letter, nor have I the remotest idea who did. I shall therefore be glad if you will give this disclaimer the same publicity as the letter in question.

R. B. Gibb.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—If your correspondents will keep to the point, and not wander into the wilds, harmony will prevail and good come of the discussion. What is the principal point in the modern Plainhead Norwich? Personally I think head, for when you have produced the wide and full cheeked head, the short neck is sure to accompany it. Which is the best cross to use? I think a yellow Crest-bred hen, short and thick, with good cushion head; if it has a dash of Cinnamon blood in it, so much the better. The young from this cross in the first season will be feathery, but if you have succeeded in getting more size, and an increase in size of head, you will have done well. I think by using the Crest-bred hen in preference to a Crest-bred cock you will be able to get shorter specimens, and better quality. If any of this Cross show too much feather, here is a chance to use double yellows the next season. I should like to hear from any fancier who has adopted this course, and learn the result.

J. Bastock.

A letter from Mr. Clegg will appear next week.—Ed.

The Alleged "Canker" in the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.

Sir,—Will "A. S. P." kindly read the following, put before the members at our meeting of the 2nd inst. To fellow members: The writer, in taking up the challenge of "A. S. P.," will be glad to give £5 to any charitable institution the society likes to name if any officer or member of this or any other society, or any bird fancier not connected with a society, can prove that I at any time have met other gentlemen on Sunday morning, afternoon or evening to discuss or enter into conversation concerning any business in connection with this or other societies.

A. E. Thorpe.

Sir,—The statement of "A. S. P." respecting a "canker" is perfectly true if he himself is a member of our society (which I seriously doubt). But presuming that "A. S. P." is a member, then I would advise you to be a man, attend the next meeting, and explain yourself. Leave the asp sting at home, and bring an oiled feather instead. Use it gently and freely, and you will be surprised at the result—why, that "canker" will clear out of your system and you will find yourself in your right mind, enjoying taking part in the discussions as a man free from bias. Those gentlemen who you have called machinators and schemers, I call the roof and the sides of our organisation. I have been a member and have watched the growth of our society from its infancy up to the day when it volunteered for the front (with its open show), was accepted, and succeeded in what many older societies were afraid to touch at all this season, owing to the trying time we are passing through. What has been the cause of our success? Simply, that we have always had good men in office, who have brought their business acumen with them to our meetings, also their good fellowship. At our open show on the Friday night, who do you think acted as watchmen through the silent hours of the night, so that our feathered pets should come to no harm? Why, four of these "schemers," one of them a professional man (more honour to his cloth), two others travellers, and the last, our worthy secretary, more power to him, though he ought to have been in bed (where I suppose "A. S. P." was keeping his canker warm) Shame on you, for trying to belittle men who found us a home, and a good one at that, when we were in great danger of being without a shelter.

W. Bowning.

Sir,—"A.S.P." cannot be a member of the society or he would not make such an accusation. Having myself been a member almost from the beginning, and also an active worker as far as the time at my disposal would allow, thus coming in contact with almost all the members, I must say I have always found them a most social lot of fellows and I think a more base and false accusation has never been made—not even by those experts, the Germans. Bear in mind "A.S.P." that good old motto: If you cannot do anyone any good don't do them any harm.

R. Booth.

[This correspondence is now closed.—Ed.]

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Club Reports.

BOURNEMOUTH C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Quadrant Restaurant, January 28, Mr. G. W. Jones, chair. Balance sheet presented and considered very satisfactory, showing a cash balance at bank of £42 7s. Mr. L. Bousfield was re-elected hon. treas., Mr. G. W. Jones hon. sec., and Mr. F. L. Jarmyn, hon. auditor; committee, Miss Onslow, Miss Penrice, Mr. F. Fulford, F. House, W. Briant, A. Troke, H. Matthews, E. Bousfield, H. Goodland, A. Tuck. Annual show takes place Nov. 9 and 10, Mr. H. Norman judge, and a N.F. show in July. Hon. sec. will be glad to hear from fanciers in Hampshire and Dorset who wish to join the Association. —G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Road.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

General meeting, Kelvedon Hall, Walham Green, Jan. 21, Mr. G. Harrison, chair. Balance sheet was put back for next meeting, and the office of president was left open. Mr. Harrison was elected chair; Mr. Larking, treas.; Mr. Bowring, hon. sec.; Mr. Piggens, assist. sec.; Messrs. Slade, B. Green, Garrod, Raine, Newbury, Jeffries. Decided that Messrs. Robson, Norman, and G. Gardner be asked to judge the shows; arranged that Mr. Norman judge pair show, Feb. 18, Mr. Robson, young birds, June 12, and Mr. Norman, annual, Nov. 27. A hearty vote of thanks was given the officers for their work. New members were elected. Anyone wishing to become a member, now is the time. Send along to the sec.; nomination, 1s.; subs., fee, 2s. 6d.—H. F. Bowring, Hon. Sec., 67, Everington Street, Fulham.

QUEEN'S PARK (Glasgow) C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, headquarters, Marie Stuart Halls, Crosshill, Jan. 27. There was a good attendance, and a large agenda was got through in good time. Seven new members were balloted for and admitted. Financial statements read, showing a balance of £7 6s., and carried unanimously; prize-money won at annual show was handed out. Election of office-bearers for 1915: Pres., Mr. R. Heggie; vice-pres., Messrs. Foreman and Cairns; sec., Mr. Edward Holliday; committee, Messrs. Jeffrey, Hamilton, Fulton, J. R. Steel, McClymont, Wm. Steel, Alex. Steel, Connelly, Galbraith; auditors, Messrs. Naismith and Stewart. The committee to report any suggested alterations in rules a next meeting. Members having any suggestion to make regarding any rule or rules might forward same to sec. before Feb. 13. Next meeting and pair show, Feb. 24, 8 p.m. Vote of thanks chair brought a pleasant meeting to a close. —E. Holliday, Sec.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Headquarters, Nightingale Hotel, High Road, Wood Green, Jan. 6, with a very good attendance of members and visitors, Mr. S. T. Willis presiding. Balance-sheet for 1914 was read and passed, showing a balance in hand of £4 5s. 5d., and staging and cups on hand value £8 8s. 6d. Officers elected for the year:—Chair, Mr. S. T. Willis; vice, Mr. E. Stephens; hon. sec. and treas., Mr. P. Brooks, 3, Triuity Road, Wood Green; assist. sec., Mr. Bates; committee, Messrs. Huggins, Hawie, Everett, F. E. Pledger, Surridge, Titchener, Martin, and Pettit. A good programme for the year has been arranged, including table shows and lectures. Young stock show, June 25. Judge, Mr. H. Norman. Annual show, Nov. 20. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. Anyone wishing to become a member of this ever-increasing society should communicate with sec. as above, when a book of fixtures will be forwarded.—P. Brooks, Hon. Sec.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Meeting Jan. 25, Mr. W. Phipps chair. A very fair number present to see Mr. T. Harris give a washing exhibition. The lecturer commenced by showing us how to tell temperature of waters by dipping the elbow into each. He then explained the use of different brushes and sponge and cloths, and showed us how to handle the bird and his method of washing and drying. Whilst birds were drying sec. read a report of show held on Dec. 10. This show helped the club funds a great deal, as members took no prize-money. It brought the sum of £1 into the club. Ten new members were elected, including Mr. R. Clouting, who becomes a vice-pres. The meeting approved of sec.'s action in paying £2 for use of room. Decided to hold a pair show early in March, schedule as last year with an additional class for Borders. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Harris brought the meeting to a close. Mr. Robert Clouting is presenting the society with a cup and medal for most points throughout year.—Geo. Birch, Hon. Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting, Gardner's Restaurant, Jan. 27, with a very large turn-out of members; a most interesting meeting gone through, and much business of a sound character was done. Sec. intimated that he had secured the Mayor of the town to act as president, which was received by the members with much delight; also that there was every prospect of securing some of the most popular gentlemen of the town to further the Fancy and make it of deeper interest and more value. We are specially interesting ourselves in novices, and give an invitation to all bird lovers to become members. Table show for muling pairs, some keen competition was shown. 1, Neil, a beautiful Goldie and Yellow Norwich hen; 2, McFarlane, a fine Linnet pair; 3, C. Shackley, good Linnet pair; vhc, Panting; vhc, Mr. Armstrong. The most interesting part of the meeting was the judging competition, and this event caused a great amount of amusement and instruction, especially to novices. Mr. G. Large won the prize in being nearest to the judge's decision. Mr. J. Hudson judged, and his awards were well received. Decided to hold a table show and judging competition Feb. 10, next meeting night, of Yorks. and Nor. pairs. Mr. Saul judge. We trust that bird lovers will accept our special invitation to become members. After giving high tribute to our late sec., Mr. Hudson, the Chairman brought a most enjoyable and instructive meeting to a close.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

British Roller C.C., Cock and Lion Hotel, 62, Wigmore Street, W., Feb. 19-20. Classes: Champ. Young, judge Mr. F. A. Lester; Nov. ditto, judge Mr. J. Tomlinson; champ. any age, judge Mr. F. E. Fisher; Amat. ditto, judge Mr. J. Tomlinson; Nov. ditto, judge Mr. F. E. Fisher; £2 limit, judge Mr. F. A. Lester. Prizes: Young bird classes, 12/-, 9/-, 7/-, 5/-, 3/6, 2/6, 2/-; other classes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Feb. 15 to J. W. Norris, 31, Scylla Road, Peckham Rye, S.E.

CLYDEBANK C.B.S.

Meeting, Jan. 21, Mr. McGown presiding. Classes fixed for pair show, Feb. 20: Nor. 2 classes, Crest, Yorks., Bord., A.O.V., Muling Pairs, Brit., Hyb. Pairs, For. Hyb. Pairs, 1 each. Sec. was instructed to write and secure the judge from among several gentlemen nominated, and if possible to arrange for lectures at next two meetings. Two new members were elected.—Wm. Kane, Sec.

CRYSTAL PALACE & PENGE C.B.S

Meeting, Alexander Hotel, Mr. C. Stone, Pres., being present. Mr. Foxen chair, and a fair attendance. Balance sheet read and passed; cash in hand £2 13s. 4d. Vote of thanks to the late sec. for past services. Winners of gold medals, Mr. Britten, Brit.; Mr. Last, Canary; silver cup, presented by the President at annual show for most points, 4 nominated birds, tie. Mr. Fairman, Mr. Last, Mr. Hutton only losing by 1 point. We are in a fair way to have 3 cups this year. New members wanted, sub., 1s. per quarter.—Hon. Sec., W. Fryett, 25, Gowland Place, Beckenham.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Annual meeting, Jan. 27, at Porth Hotel, with a good attendance; Mr. Legg chair. Election of officers for 1915: Mr. J. H. Bevan, chair.; Mr. Legg, vice-chair.; Mr. J. S. Jones, re-elected sec. Election of treas. next meeting. Will all members please note that our matched pair show will be held at the Porth Hotel, Feb. 24; entries close Feb. 22; W. Castree judge. Some subs. are over-due; please attend next meeting, Wed. 10th, at 7 sharp, as some very important matters are to be gone through. Mr. T. Emanuel was elected a member. Hoping each member will bring a new member next meeting.—J. S. Jones, hon. sec.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Meeting, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, Jan. 19, a fair turn-out of members being present, Pres., Mr. G. Staines, chair. New members elected: Messrs. C. Duncan, J. Mills, H. Norton, A. Stewart. It was left in hands of sec. to try and arrange for lecture and washing exhibition, in addition to table shows, for the season, also to get syllabuses printed. A post-card was read, and after considerable discussion, it was decided that the matter be dropped altogether, as no conviction could be proved. Sec. was instructed to write to members who had not settled up for tickets for annual show. Next meeting, election of judges and classification for annual show. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.—J. C. Charlton, Sec.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.

First annual general meeting, headquarters, Boy Scout Room, Station Hill, Jan. 25. There was a good muster present, and officers for season were elected. Mr. H. Johnson was voted in the chair (vice Mr. T. Lees, who is serving the Colours), F. Thornback, vice-chair. Mr. J. Alderslade, Hon. Sec., Mr. W. G. Clark, Assist. Sec. Some very good suggestions were put forward for building up the society, and the Chairman wished all members (present and absent) to bring forward any suggestions that may benefit the society. Sec. promised that he would do all in his power to make the year another successful one; at present four medals had been presented to him for competition, and he hoped that it would be another good fight for the shield. Subs. are now due; and there will be no alteration in the fee, 1s. 7d.; membership open to all.—J. Alderslade.

WOOD GREEN F.F.A.

Annual meeting. Officers elected:—Pres., C. T. Willson; chair, A. W. H. Brand; vice, H. Befts; vice-pres., T. J. Hudson, A. Groom, W. Dean, P. L. Frost, — Woodin, and T. Callegari; hon. sec., G. T. Harris; treas., W. Shillito; show sec., C. Tolfree; auditors, Messrs. Tilley and Fellowes, and a capable committee. Balance-sheet was presented showing a balance in hand; the society is in a healthy condition financially. Young stock show will be held June 19, annual show Nov. 13. Arrangements have been made for eight monthly evening shows, two for each section. Silver spoons, two for each show, will be given, and as the expense is rather heavy members are asked to enter as freely as possible, fee 2d. The committee hope that in 1915 the members will attend the meetings in large numbers and show their appreciation of our efforts to cater for them. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Fancy Press for the many favours received during the past year. Subs. are due.—T. Callegari, Assist.-Sec.

CAMBRIDGE & COUNTY C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Prince of Wales' Hotel, Sidney Street, January 25th. There was a fair attendance, presided over by Mr. G. W. Bishop. Balance-sheet was presented by the Hon. Sec. and Treas., Mr. W. Ridgeon, and showed that the Association had had a successful season, there being a balance in hand of £6 11s. 8d. The members' show in November had attracted a very satisfactory entry. Officers were elected for ensuing year:—Pres., Mr. E. Moore; chair, Mr. G. W. Bishop; vice, Mr. W. R. P. Stiles; hon. sec. and treas., Mr. W. Ridgeon; assist. sec., Mr. C. G. Taylor; committee, Messrs. A. Bye, G. Langley, F. Ridgewell, G. Moore, A. Hills, E. Nichols, C. G. Williams, F. Papworth, and J. H. Pope. It was announced that two medals had been presented for competition during the coming season. These would be devoted to the Canary and British sections respectively. Last year's winners in these sections were Mr. G. Bishop and Mr. H. P. Hart. Following a discussion of the rules, it was decided to hold a members' show Feb. 18, for pairs matched for breeding, etc. —C. G. Taylor, Assist. Hon. Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Fourth annual meeting, Jan. 13, before a splendid gathering, over 30 being present. Mr. Willmott (chair), with Vice Chairman Hughes and full officers. Also special meeting, Jan. 27. Chairman presented the annual report and spoke of the splendid progress of the society. Although the increase in membership last year had not been so rapid as in previous years, it was encouraging to find such a grand list of names on the books. As to the laggards in subscriptions, many of whom had paid only for the half year, he thought at least these members should write to the Sec. and state if they intended to go on or had withdrawn from the Society. The balance-sheet, he continued, was a source of pleasure. The total cash in hand was close on £10, a sign that things were progressing well. He had pleasure in proposing on behalf of members a hearty vote of thanks to stewards, show manager, and sec. for the excellent way it had been conducted. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the past chairman, vice-chair, and committee, treas., and the popular sec. Elected for 1915: Pres., Dr. A. H. C. Taylor; Chair., E. T. Willmott; Vice, J. Hughes; Committee, Messrs. Swindon, Burke, Hickling, Yardley; Treas., W. Harding; Show Manager, G. Bayliss; Auditors, Messrs. Buckman and Rees; Sec., J. Sheppard. On the proposition of Mr. Hughes, a cash present was made to the Sec. for past services. The Sec. responded with his best thanks. Speaking of the work of the S.B.O.S., he said that what gave him the greatest satisfaction was the whole-hearted support all the members had given him. The shows had been a success, the meetings and exhibitions the same. Heartiest congratulations to Messrs. Cowley and Thompson on securing the cups for 1914; also to our British man, Mr. Raby, on winning the cup outright. Another had been purchased, and he hoped better competition would make this year's British section stronger and give better satisfaction to Mr. Raby. He thanked all again, and his great wish was greater success than ever to the well-established South Birmingham O.S. It is hoped that members will make an effort to again be present at the Feb. meeting, when some important items will be dealt with. Committee meeting Feb. 3.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

CHESTER C.B.S.

General meeting Boot Inn, Jan. 26. Balance sheet for 1914 showing balance £3 1s. 9½d. carried forward, passed and read. Decided to hold pair show Feb. 10, 1915, at 7. Officers for 1915 appointed. Mr. A. Hibbert, 35, St. Mark's Terrace, Saltney, Chester, has kindly undertaken to act as sec. pro. tem., and all communications should be addressed to him.—L. Cavanagh, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE AMAL. SOCIETIES.

(Committee met) Jan. 30, at Market Tavern, Bradford, to consider the advisability of holding an annual dinner and prize distribution. Unanimously passed that each specialist club should present its own prizes at its annual general meeting, and that the annual general gathering be dispensed with for the present year. Statement of accounts for last annual prize distribution was passed as read.—H. Hill, Sec.

CINNAMON-MARKED Y.C.C.

Result of novices' competitions:—1, Baker Bros., 53 points and Ramsden's special for nov. or amat.; 2, J. Harney, 51; 4, J. W. Bushby, 40; 4, J. T. Sharp, 36. 5th not won, but if I have overlooked any novice member who has competed at five shows with cinn. mkd. or cinn. tkd. birds they must write me as early as possible stating at what shows and in what classes they entered their birds. Open competition:—1, H. H. Towers, 148, and Ramsden's; 2, C. Morrison, 137; 3, Atkiyen and Firth, 84; 4, J. Thomas, 57.—R. Garnett, Sec.

GLASGOW & W. OF SCOTLAND B.C

Annual general meeting, Masonic Halls, 100, West Regent Street, Glasgow; Mr. M. Craig chair. Office-bearers for 1915 elected:—Pres., Mr. F. Taylor; vice-pres., Mr. A. Maxwell; sec. and treas., A. K. Chalmers; committee, Messrs. E. Barren, J. Brown, P. Braid, John Campbell, Allan Chalmers, John Chalmers, R. B. Clubbs, D. Cunninghame, T. C. Dowell, W. Dunlop, E. Hadley, D. Hannay, J. McLay, R. Martin, J. F. Park, R. V. Rain, A. Sloan, A. Smith, and J. Swan; auditors, Messrs. M. Craig and D. F. Webster. Pair show, Masonic Halls, Feb. 23.: Nor. Yell. Cock and Buff Hen, Buff Cock and Yell. Hen, Crests, Bord., Yorks., A.O.V. Can., Muling, Bullf. Hyb., and A.O.V. Hyb., Pairs. Prizes on sliding scale. A good turnout earnestly requested. Annual subs. 5s. Particulars from A. K. Chalmers, 39, Causeyside Street, Paisley.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Annual general meeting, Blythswood Halls, Jan. 20th, Mr. Gibb presiding over a good attendance. This meeting ended a very successful year, enabling us to carry forward a substantial balance. Office-bearers for ensuing year elected: Pres., Mr. R. B. Gibb; vice-pres., Mr. Thom and Mr. J. Stewart; sec. and treas., Mr. J. Houston; committee, Messrs. Phillips, Findlay, senr., R. Brown, Paterson, P. Houston, Loan and Taylor; auditors, Messrs. A. Crawford, M. Stewart. Fanciers in the surrounding district are given a hearty welcome to join us. Full particulars from Mr. John Houston, sec., 51, Willowbank Crescent, Glasgow.

Special monthly meeting, Wilton Halls, 106, Napiershall Street, Jan. 26, Mr. Gibb presiding over a good attendance. An attractive syllabus for the ensuing year was drawn up. Three new members were admitted: A. McNicol, J. Gallacher, and A. Burt.

YORKS UNION OF C.B.S.

Meeting of the Council, Jan. 30th, Market Tavern, Bradford, Mr. W. Cruise (President), chair. Sandy Lane and Dis. tendered their resignation from the Union, and this was accepted with regret. The case of a defaulting member was allowed to drop for lack of sufficient evidence. A complaint from a Union member in respect to his entries at one of the Union shows was allowed to lie on the table. The case of a disqualification made at Windhill Show was gone into by the Council, and the Council decided that he was not a qualified member of the Union at the time, for although he had joined a Union Society previous to the show, his name and entry fee had not been sent to the Union sec. and the disqualification was allowed to stand. Letter from Bradford National Show read, inviting workers from the Union to attend their meetings. Decided to lay same before the members of each society. Decided to give the order for supply of Union gold medals to the same firm as for the past three years, providing they will guarantee same specification as before, failing this, that tenders be applied for. Pres. and sec. were elected as representatives on the annual Prize Distribution Committee. In the novice section there was a mistake in one of the catalogues; rectification by the judges' slips makes Mr. J. T. Sharpe and Messrs. Fisher and Dyson tie for first place, with 172 points each.—H. Hill, Sec.

BARRY F. AND F.S.

Annual meeting, headquarters, January 20, Mr. W. Marshall chair. Decided to hold a series of young stock shows at monthly meetings in connection with which we shall hold amateur judging competition for members. Officials for 1915 elected: Pres., Mr. R. R. Cory; vice-pres., Messrs. A. D. Mein; S. R. Jones, J.P.; H. G. Lewis; R. A. Sprent, J.P., and J. Webb; chair, W. W. Marshall; vice, J. Chaunings; treas., F. W. Edmonds; committee, W. Shead, W. Mote, H. Olney, W. P. Greenham, E. J. Tembett, A. Nicholson, Geo. Chick, J. Murby, and F. Mathravers; sec., H. P. Thomas; assist. sec., W. E. Davies.—H. P. Thomas.

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ST. JAMES-THE-LESS F.A.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 18, Men's Club, St. James's Road, N.E. F. H. Marhoff, chair. Balance-sheet for 1914 showed cash in hand £10 15s., assets £27 10s. Membership is open to a radius of 3 miles from Victoria Park; there are 81 fully-paid-up members. Nominations received for membership:—Messrs. J. W. Edwards, T. Williams, C. Ellerton, H. Adams, T. W. Bransford, H. Redwell, A. Whitford, R. S. Needham, W. Riley, C. Fipler, C. Lang, and A. Green. Officers elected:—Pres. and treas., Rev. E. A. Dunn; vice-pres., Messrs. J. E. Austin, S. Forecast, G. Boree; chair. (pro tem.), T. G. Bransford; vice-treas., Geo. Longcroft; hon. sec., F. E. Adams; assist. hon. sec., T. W. Bransford, jun.; committee, Messrs. H. Castle, J. Colwell, W. Davey, R. Ford, J. Goodwin, W. Hahn, W. Lazell, F. A. May, F. H. Marhoff, J. Neale, W. Polfrey, E. A. Suter.—F. E. Adams, Hon. Sec. (Kindly note that matter must be sent in duplicate if it is wished that it shall appear both in CAGE BIRDS and "The Poultry World."—Ed.)

DUMFRIES S. OF SCOTLAND.

Second annual general meeting, Fountain Cafe, Mr. William Crosbie presiding. Sec. read a report of the work throughout the year, and it was highly satisfactory. The Treasurer gave a statement of the finance, showing a balance from proceeds of show, after all expenses are paid, of £9 1s. 6d., which the society agreed to divide among the following war funds: Local Wounded Soldiers' Fund, £4 10s.; Soldiers' and Sailors' Families, Dumfriesshire Branch, £2 11s. 6d.; Kirkcudbright Branch, £1; Wigtownshire Branch, £1. The Belgian Relief Fund had already received the sum of £2 17s., the proceeds from special decorated cage presented by Mr. Erskine. The meeting congratulated Mr. M'Holm, Secretary, and J. Crosbie, Treasurer, on the excellent manner in which the arrangements for the show were carried through. The following office-bearers were elected: Hon. Pres., Mr. R. Pattie; Pres., Mr. W. Crosbie; Vice-Pres., Mr. F. Paling; Committee, Messrs. T. Hannay, T. M'Creadie, J. B. Richardson; W. Edgar; J. Dickson, A. M'Holm, Wm. Toppin; Hon. Treas., Mr. A. Doyle; Hon. Sec., Mr. Wm. Erskine, 6, Lorchburnest., Dumfries.

NEWCASTLE (East End) C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Hall's Cafe, Heaton Assembly Rooms, Jan. 27, Mr. McPartling presiding over a good attendance. Balance-sheet for 1914 was presented, showing a balance of £15 10s. on the year's working, which was considered very satisfactory and favourably commented upon. A hearty vote of thanks was given to the auditors, Messrs. Harrison and McPartling, also to Mr. Hutchinson, to the secretary, and other members who had taken an active part in making the society a success. Officers for ensuing year elected:—Chair, Mr. G. McPartling; vice, Mr. Hutchinson; committee, Messrs. J. Morrison, R. Young, C. McKay, W. Harvey, Mr. Matthewson, J. Roy, E. Coltman, G. Wilson, J. Rushton, J. Harrison, W. Scott, R. H. Newton, J. Miller, T. Reader, A. Elder, J. Harbottle, T. Robson, T. Doughty; auditors, Messrs. J. Harrison and W. Scott; sec. and treas., J. W. Coutts, 122, Brinkburn Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. A vote of thanks being given to the chairman, other business was left over until our next meeting, usual date, at Hall's Cafe.—J. W. Coutts.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, Jan. 30, Mr. Hampshire chair. Decided to leave over the question of having a tea and social, also distribution of prizes, until general meeting at Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, March 6. We hope that members will keep this date open, as a good muster is particularly wanted to decide this question. Mr. Bradley raised the question as to whether our society has made any progress. In regard to the Lizards, it was generally considered we had made some progress, as classes had been better filled than was generally the case. In Lancashires there was no progress claimed, as the bulk of showing has once again fallen on the shoulders of two or three exhibitors. Winners of trophies for most points in Lancs. and Liz. classes: Lancs. champ., G. Fitton, 79 points; W. Ridgard, 30; A. Hordern, 28; J. Swalwell, 23; T. H. Collinge, 14. Liz.: F. Hamer, 131 points; J. Rukin, 124; W. P. Barnes, 98; J. Hampshire, 84; A. Bradley, 55; E. Ollerenshaw, 24; B. Clegg, 11; N. Stansfield, 1. Liz., Nov.; F. Millington, 41; C. F. Bosworth, 40; W. Moorbey, 14; W. Hambleton, 10.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

GRIMSBY O.S.

Eighth annual meeting, Jan. 27, Slatter's Rooms, Freeman Street, Mr. A. Oliver, chair. Balance sheet 1914 presented, showing a balance in hand of over £10, which was considered very satisfactory. Elected for ensuing year: Pres., A. Sutcliffe; vice, T. W. G. Hewitt; patrons, His Worship the Mayor (Coun. J. W. Eason), Lady Doughty, Ald. R. W. Roberts, Couns. W. H. Thickett and W. Womersley, Messrs. R. Johnson, H. Surfleet, J. Reinecke, J. W. Harness, and A. F. Slatter; chair, Mr. A. Oliver; vice, Mr. W. King; committee, Messrs. D. Sadler, A. Towl, H. Harding, W. Watson, E. Lawson, W. Kirman, and A. Cartwright; hon. treas., J. T. Cotterill; hon. auditors, Messrs. Harding and King; hon. auctioneer, J. W. Harness; Press corres., J. T. Cotterill; hon. sec., Mr. H. Towl, 205, Welholme Road, Grimsby. Decided to hold the following table shows during the year: Feb., matched pairs, Nov.; March, Hyb. pairs; May, June, July, August, and half-day show at end of year, including classes for British each month. There is to be a lecture by Mr. Harding, and a wild seed competition. The question of having an open show this year was left over for further consideration. We have added a Roller section to the classes, and there will be a singing contest each month; a cup is to be won outright this year, and Roller fanciers in the district who would like to join us would be made welcome; all information can be obtained any meeting night (last Thursday each month), at headquarters, or of sec., as above.—J. T. Cotterill, Press Corresp.

GLASGOW (West End) C.B.C.

Fifth annual general meeting, Co.-op. Hall, St. George's Cross, Jan. 29, Mr. A. Hendry presiding over a good attendance. Balance sheet for 1914 was gone over. The auditors reported that they had found the books, papers, etc., highly satisfactory. The handsome balance of £16 5s. 8d. was left on hand, and this was considered excellent, especially taking into consideration that our club has been depleted of several members, who have answered the call of King and country. We are still forging ahead, and are all working harder than ever. Our social interest in new and young members will always be a pleasure in the future as in the past. After granting sec. an honorarium for his services for the past year, it was decided to keep part of the money in the bank, the remainder to be divided in prize-money among the members. Office-bearers, etc., for ensuing year elected: Hon. Pres., Mr. W. Gibb Macra[illegible] Hendry; vice-pres., P. Allan, and [illegible] sec. and treas., W. S. Pro[illegible] C. Campbell, Geo. [illegible] Lunn, J. Campbell, A. Gillespie, Geo. Robertson, and C. Sellar; auditors, Messrs. G. G. Henderson and P. Allan. Rules were now gone over, and after some minute revising, were passed. New members enrolled: E. Docherty, McArdle, Hutchison, Lang, J. Young, J. McBride, W. McManus, D. Devane, T. Black, J. Braid, T. Murray. Monthly meetings as before, second Friday each month, Co-op Hall, St. George's Cross, at 8. Monthly table shows, Feb. 12th, March 12th, April 9th; F.F. show, July 16th. Annual, Nov. 20. The Co-op Hall has again been booked for meetings and shows. Post-cards will continue to be used for notifying meetings (but only for the four show months, or for any special meeting). Intending members, please note that the club caters for all varieties of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British and foreign. Annual subs., 4s., in two instalments if desired. All information from W. S. Proudfoot, Sec. and Treas., 145, Henderson Street, Glasgow.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.

Annual gen. meeting, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Manchester, January 30. A good attendance of members, over two dozen present. Four new members were enrolled. Messrs. Kilshaw and Leach were appointed auditors. Balance sheet was passed. Officers elected were practically the same as last year. Mr. G. Wareing, Pres.; Messrs. Massey, Leach, Foulds, Kilshaw, and Brooks, vice-pres.; Mr. A. Percival, sec. and treas.; Mr. W. Johnson, Manchester, assist. sec. A discussion, re rings, was deferred until next meeting.—Andrew Percival, Hon. Sec.

QUEEN'S PARK C.B.S.

Adjourned annual general meeting, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow-road, Jan. 21, a fair muster present, Mr. Clark chair. Mr. Lowe, late sec., presented the annual report and balance-sheet, and stated that the society was in a sound financial position with £7 standing to credit. It was his wish not to accept his salary, and in leaving same over he hoped the society would purchase another cup. Mr. Hannaford congratulated Mr. Lowe on his past work, and for leaving society in such a sound state, and wished him the best of luck, he having enlisted; in this all the members joined. Officers elected for the year:—Pres., Mr. Morris; chair, Mr. Clark; vice, Mr. Lawrence; treas., Mr. Burch; sec., Mr. Barton; assist. sec., Mr. Ratcliffe; and Messrs. Hannaford and Lloyd. All old rules are to stand as before. New members elected: Messrs. Hunt and Beasant. Decided to hold a match pair show Feb. 13, Mr. J. Robson judge; schedules will be sent members in a few days. It is hoped members will send a large entry and to time, and so help our new sec. to make his first show a success.—W. J. Ratcliffe, Assist.-Sec.

(Will Mr. Barton please forward his address for 1915 Annual?—Editor.)

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

PONTEFRACT.

Open Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Jan. 30. 28 entered. 1, Nelson, 104; 2, Jones, 86; 3, Pugh, 68. Open sing, Jan. 31, 34 entered, 1st Williamson, 103; 2, Jones, 80; 3, Wingham, 82.—S. Pugh, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, January 20. 1, J. Williams; 2, S. Morley; 3, J. Wainwright.—S. Morley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing for time, January 30, 24 birds entered, and some good singing was heard, only two birds failing to score a break of five seconds. R. Collinson's bird ran up a good score when it was practically dark. 1, Collinson, 87 secs; 2, Liversidge, 56 secs; 3, Plows, 52 secs. Time-keepers, O. Potter, J. Coper; tappers, A. Cooper, W. Perwin. J. Liversidge's bird will have to improve to get last year's reputation again, only getting second place by four seconds. A. Cooper was elected president for 1915.—R. Plows, Sec.

WESTHOUGHTON.

Linnet contest, Grey Mare, Bolton Road, Jan. 30, for time and quality. 31 birds entered, and some very good singing was heard by a large company. Quality: 1, Jones; 2, Statham; 3, Donnelly; 4, Forshaw. Time: 1, 2, Knowles, 122 and 113 secs.; 3, Aspey, 67; 4, Statham, 65. Judges for quality, E. Holcroft and J. Forshaw; for time, R. Disley and J. Halliwell; minutes, Griffiths; next contest for time and quality, Pendlebury, Feb. 6th, at Working Men's Club.—E. Bickman.

LEEDS.

Quality singing, for Linnets, old bird house, Skinner's Arms, Jan. 30, 19 birds sang; there was some beautiful singing, to the delight of the company. 1, Binns; 2, 3, shared by King and Laycock. Judges, C. Clayton, J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Contest for quality Linnet singing, Jan. 20, 18 birds sang. 1, Ward; 2, F. Johnson; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, Sissons, Crann and Naylor. Jan. 31, 26 sang. 1, Ward; 2, F. Johnson; 3, Ward; 4, Wood. Judges, Jennings and Naylor. Roller contest, Jan. 31, 16 sang. 1, J. Chadwick; 2, Condliffe; 3, F. Johnson. Judges, Lacy, Crane, Appleyard.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds L. and C.C. quality Linnet singing match, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Jan. 31, 17 birds: 1, H. Wigfield; 2, Jim Chippindale; 3, J. Bamfield. Judges, A. Lorriman and J. Clark.—Fred Turner, Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ROLLER COCK ILL (Miss M. Menee).—Keep bird in a fairly warm place, but not overheated, and see that it is free from cold draughts, extremes of temperature, or fumes of burning lights in the evenings. As staple diet give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and in addition give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of scalded rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats, and a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a small spray of watercress four times a week. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

LOSING FEATHERS (P. Bentham). I suspect the bird is subject to extremes of temperature, which is the cause of the continual loss of feathers, and it is practically certain that a removal to the cold room upstairs will bring on a rapid moult. As this will occur almost to a certainty even if you wait a month or more, my advice is to make the removal at once, and get it over well before the breeding season commences. Place it in a cosy corner of the room, quite out of draughts. Give a morsel of bread and milk every third day, and on the intervening days give first half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats, and next a morsel of banana, or a spray of watercress. After it has been in the cold room a week or so dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the water every second day until the feathers

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battyr's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stork Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Normon's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (2½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

cease dropping. This should be all that is necessary. The song will come naturally when the bird is quite got over the moulting.

HEN CANARY MOULTING (L. H.).—Your treatment is not calculated to improve matters, and I am afraid you are keeping the bird either in a draughty place or exposed to extremes of temperature. See that these exciting causes are quite removed. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and in addition give separately every second day a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and then sprinkled with soft sugar, and on the alternate days half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts niger, millet, and teazle. In the water add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn for three consecutive days. At the end of a week remove the bird to a colder room, but see that it is not exposed to draughts or extreme fluctuations, and treat it for the next month as advised to "P. Bentham" in this issue.

MATE FOR CREST-BRED (W. H.).—One cannot be quite definite in recommending a suitable mate for any given bird without seeing it, and also knowing something of its pedigree, because in the ideal mating one partner should as far as possible counteract the failings of the other, so that the pair possess between them as nearly as can be got the good features of an ideal bird. You do not even say whether your bird is a buff or a yellow. If a buff you should mate it with a yellow, and vice-versa, and as your bird is variegated, its mate should be clear, or a clear with a dark crest. You will require a crested bird in any case, and should get as much size and substance as possible: a short, stout beak, with a good breadth at the base; a well-formed crest, with a small neat centre, and no bare space at the back; and otherwise possessing features that as far as possible compensate any faults in the cock.

MOULTING, AND SINGING HEN (W. L.).—(1) See reply to "L. H." in this issue as to the exciting causes of this trouble, and see they are removed in your case. Then treat the bird the same as advised to "Feather-eater" in last week's issue. There is no reason why the bird should not soon get all right if in a healthy and normal condition apart from the moulting. (2) Singing hens are by no means rare, though not quite common, and some of them make quite tolerable performers. No reason can generally be assigned for the behaviour of these musical biddies.

VARIED (A. R. S.).—(1) You should not remove the eggs of Canaries that are breeding flying loose in an aviary, as you do in a breeding cage. Possibly your lack of success last season was due to having an equal number of each sex, or, perhaps, an insufficient supply of nesting sites. In your aviary, if the height is proportionate to the width and length, four cocks and about a dozen hens would be ample to stock it for breeding. About 20 nesting sites should be put up for this number of hens. (2) As regards cheap substitutes for eggs for rearing young, get a copy of our forthcoming "Annual," wherein you will find just the information you want. (3) To prevent young falling out of the nest when getting fully fledged, you should interfere with them as little as possible, and avoid all sudden noises or alarming movements about the aviary. You may also fix the nesting receptacles on a small platform which extends a little beyond the rim of the nest-box, or pan, all round, and provide roomy receptacles. The old-fashioned wooden boxes are best for this purpose.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

GREENFINCH FOR EXHIBITION (Saucey).—In choosing a Greenfinch for show purposes you require a large bird, nicely proportioned, that is, having a bold head in keeping with a full body. If a bird has a big full head and a small skimpy body, he is out of proportion, and consequently has to stand down. As regards colour, you do not want a bird too dark, nor the opposite. The dark birds as a rule do not show sufficient variation in plumage. If you examine a Greenfinch carefully you will see a good deal of variety in his colouring extending from bright yellow through green to grey. The yellow should predominate as much as possible, and be vivid in hue. The yellows are the darker and richer coloured birds, they are also a bit shorter in feather than the bulls. These latter are lighter with a mealy surface. They seldom do quite so well with the judges as the yellows, unless particularly large and extra good in quality.

LINNET OR GOLDFINCH (Harold Johnson). — Although you say you are a great reader of CAGE BIRDS I am afraid you miss a good deal of information that is given in the paper. For instance, you ask me the difference between a Linnet and a Goldfinch, and say you have what you think is a Goldfinch, although a fancier calls it a Linnet. Now, in our Birthday Number we published a col-

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

oured plate of Goldfinches. You should therefore know if your bird is a Goldfinch or not. The Linnet is an entirely different bird, he is nearly all brown in plumage, with darker markings, called pencilling, down his breast and flanks. His wing bars are white, the Goldfinch's bars are pure yellow, and the face or blaze rich crimson. As regards the value of the Linnet, it is impossible to say without seeing the bird, the majority are sold at about 1/- each, while some good show specimens have fetched as much as £4 or £5. If your fancier friend says yours is a good bird, why not show it at your nearest local show?

CANARY AND HEN BULLFINCH (Candid).—It is not so much the question of which Canary you shall run with the Bullfinch, as it is which Canary she will accept. I would advise you to try the larger one of the two first. Introduce them gently, and let them fly in a big flight until March, when separate them for a few days before putting them up finally for breeding. Size is such an important consideration that you cannot do better than attempt to breed good big ones.

BREEDING WITH LINNETS (Prestonian).—For a beginner you cannot do better than try for the cross with the Canary. These will rear their own young, whereas British hens are not to be relied upon to do so. What you must do is to procure three yellow Norwich hens; you may have some difficulty in getting young yellow hens, and, of course, if you are unable to do so, you will have to use buffs, but anyway I think if possible one or two of the hens should be yellows, as the young ones bred from yellow hens are more valuable for show purposes, but those bred from buffs are equally as good as songsters, for which purpose you may be breeding them. When you have secured your hens, turn them into a large cage or flight with the Linnets, and let them fly together until the middle of March. Then catch them up and put each pair in a breeding cage by themselves. If you see a Linnet taking particular notice of a certain hen or following her about the flight, be sure to mate those two together. You will have to supply them with nest-pans and plenty of nesting materials. If you require any further information later on you had better write again, or procure our book on Hybrid Breeding, post free 1s. 2d., from this office.

BREEDING WITH CHAFFINCH (A. Deeming).—The Chaffinch and Canary cross has not yet been produced, and as you are quite a novice I do not think it would be wise for you to make the attempt. Keep your Chaffinch for song, and if you have any inclination towards Mule breeding follow the advice given to Prestonian in this issue.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

NAPOLEON WEAVER (Napoleon).—The Napoleon Weaver is a seed-eater, and should have as a staple diet a mixture of one part canary seed and two parts white millet seeds, well mix and keep constant supply in cage. Also give an occasional millet spray as variety. In addition, you must supply the usual essentials for every seed-eater, viz., water for drinking and bathing, grit, cuttle-

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

bone and greenfood (during the winter months a slice of sweet apple or a little frame-lettuce is the best greenfood). The Weavers all have an eclipse plumage, and your bird, now in the moult, will lose all the rich yellow and black, and be little brighter than our Corn Bunting when the moult is complete, but will resume his brilliant plumage during the nesting season. As it is only just passing into the eclipse plumage, it will probably not don the nuptial splendour again before June or July. During the moult, and also during the change from eclipse to nuptial plumage, two or three mealworms or other insects per diem will be a great help to the bird.

YOUNG GREY PARROT (Reader of "Cage Birds," W. W.).—I should not be surprised from what you state, if your bird was dead before you receive this reply, and as you did not include your address, it was not possible to send you a post-card; moreover, you do not state a word as to how you are feeding it, etc., so I cannot give you a very helpful reply. If the bird still lives when you see this, give it three drops of tasteless castor oil, either direct to its beak or on anything absorptive it will eat. Give it a little boiled maize—boil till soft, drain off all water, then allow ten drops of cod liver oil emulsion to soak into it before supplying to the bird. You had better also give it a few sips of chilled brandy and water (very weak), about 3 times a day. Then write again, giving full details, and I will try and help you further. You had better also send to our Manager for the Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," which will give you more details than is possible in this column as to how to treat and keep; it is 2½d. post free.

BREEDING ZEBRA FINCHES IN A CAGE (C. H. M.).—You cannot treat either British or foreign Finches as you would domesticated Canaries. You will do better to have only the one pair in the cage. Zebra Finches are almost sure to breed with you, though it is possible it may be quite late in the summer before they make the attempt. As soon as young are hatched you should give a little soft food, crumbled sponge-cake, and ants' eggs in equal parts, slightly moistened with a little boiling milk; about a tablespoonful per diem will be as much as they will eat. Yes, the parents will take small mealworms and pass them on. You will, of course, supply the usual seeds, and while they are feeding young, keep a millet spray in the cage. When obtainable, seeding and flowering grass is the best greenfood. Hay and fresh grass will suffice for building material.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES.

Altrincham Open C.B.S. Feb. 10, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. Lecture on pairing, and pairing competition for novices, Mr. T. Harrison.—C. Bailey.

Annfield Plain F.F. and C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Queen's Head, 7. Arrangements for members' show, Feb. 27.—M. Archer.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Feb. 11, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.30. Cup rules and question night.—E. Johnson.

Barnsley C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Open show business; intending members please attend.—E. Poulson.

Barry F. and F.S.—Feb. 10, Headquarters, 8. Mr. A. Nicholson will give a lecture with practical demonstration of washing and preparing birds for exhibition.—H. P. Thomas.

Birmingham (South) O.S.—Feb. 10, Marlboro Hotel, 8.30. Pass alteration of general rules, debate on open show, lecture and spring programme.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Feb. 9, Joiners' Arms, 8. Balance-sheet and election of fresh sec.—J. Kilshaw.

Bristol (East) C.B.S.—Feb. 6, 6.30. Balance-sheet submitted; election of officers. Wm. J. Norman.

British Roller C.C.—Feb. 9, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martin's-le-Grand, 7.30.—J. W. Norris.

Burnhope C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Colliery Inn, 7. Stewards for show, schedules ready, subs. due, other important bus. J. W. Robson.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Feb. 8, Church Institute, 69, Paddington Street, 8. Lecture on British Birds by Mr. A. J. Marley; interest d visitors warmly welcomed.—A. Wyan.

Clay Cross C.B.S.—Feb. 8, Angel Hotel, 7.15. Business important.—J. Grilliths.

Craghead C.B.S. Feb. 6, Black House, 5. Paying out of prize-money and other business.—A. Dawson.

Darvel C.B.S.—Feb. 9, Town Hall, 7. Table show: Light Mule or Hyb., Dark, Bramble or Chaffinch, Bunting, Mealy 'Poll or Twite, A.O.V. Brit. cock., ditto hen, For., Goldf. or Bullf., For., single or pairs. J. Fairful.

Denton C.B.S.—Feb. 9, Silver Spring, 8. W. Redfern.

Derwent Valley C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Co operative Hall, Low Westwood, 7. Table show: Nor., Yorks., Green., F.M.—Jamieson and Johnson.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Feb 6, Black Swan, 7.30. Fixing of date for table show and prize distribution, etc.—A. Walton.

East Ham F.S. Feb. 2, Earl of Wakefield, 8. Balance-sheet, election of committee, prize-money and medal, etc.—W. Kite.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Feb. 8, Headquarters, 8. General bus. and arrangements for pair show. J. Alderslad..

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Feb. 6, Fountain Inn, 6. General meeting, election of officers for 1915, balance-sheet, arranging prize distribution, etc., please note time.—S. Wilcock.

Farnworth C.B.S. Feb. 10, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. General meeting, election of officers (1915) and new members; fanciers and friends invited.—W. Dawson.

Felling-on-Tyne F.S.—Feb. 6, Blue Bell Hotel, 6. Election of officers for 1915 and other important business; new members invited; please note time.—W. Stockton.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Feb. 10, Headquarters, 8. Annual General Meeting.—W. Curry.

Glasgow and Western Counties.—Feb. 6, 122, Ingram Street, 6.30. General meeting, balance-sheet, election of office-bearers, classification of pairs show and other business.—J. McGowan.

Great Horton O.S.—Feb. 13, Butchers' Arms, 8. Election of officers and other special business.—J. Holroyd.

Guisborough Priory C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Charlton's Ter., during judging of pair show; judge, Mr. J. W. Papple, West Hartlepool. Friends and fanciers invited, business general.—A. W. Knagge.

Halifax O.S.—Feb. 6, Plummet Line Hotel, 7. Syllabus and specials for members' shows for 1915.—H. Clegg.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Feb. 10, St. Georges', 7. Pair show and meeting: Classes, 2 Yorks., 2 Nors., 2 Bord., 1 Mule; judge, Mr. Woodhead.—J. W. Thornton.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Arranging rules and other important business.—G. Vipond.

Jarrow, Hebburn C.B.S.—Feb. 11, Victoria Hotel, 7.30. Show business.—W. Ayers.

Keighley and Dist. C.B.S. — Feb. 9, Hare and Hounds, 8. Show dates and judges, new members.—C. W. Town.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Feb. 6, Y.M. Halls, 6. Table show: F.M. Lesser Redpoll, F.M. Siskin, Mealy Redpoll or Twite. A. Thomson.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Feb. 6, Lockhart's, 7. Discussion on the value of general effect; members promised to bring birds.—H. Best.

Leeds C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Co-operative Hall, Church Street, Hunslet, 5.30. Tea, concert, and prize distribution; fanciers invited.—E. Norton.

Leith O.S.—Feb. 13, Kinnaird's Hall, Kirkgate, 3.30. Table show and judging competition, birds staged 3.30 prompt.—G. W. Brown.

Littleborough C.B.S. — Feb. 10, Headquarters, 8. Members please make an extra effort to be present, also intending members.—J. R. Windle.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Feb. 11, Oldham Hall, 8. Syllabus for 1915, discussion on Green versus Cinnamon Blood, by Mr. Raynes, of Manchester, and Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool; commence 8.30 prompt; friends and fanciers welcome.—T. R. Jones.

Loanhead C.B.S. — Feb. 13, Masons' Arms, 7.30. Enrolment of members for 1915, fanciers inside 10 miles radius invited to become members.—W. B. Smart.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Feb. 6, The Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., 8. Lecture by Mr. G. Gardner on Stock and Stockbreeding; fanciers will receive a hearty welcome.—W. Gilbert.

Manningham C.B.A. — Feb. 6, Mowbray Arms, 8. Special business.—F. Darwent.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Feb. 9, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. Important business, election of officers.—J. G. Royce.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Feb. 10, Club Room, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. General business, syllabus, etc.—A. W. Newton.

Partick C.B.S.—Feb. 5, Foresters' Hall, 8. Pair show: Nor., Yorks., Bord., Hyb., Pairs, Crests.—J. F. Park.

Poplar C.B.S.—Feb. 11, Headquarters, Allhallows' School Room, East India Dock Road, Poplar, 8. Pair and Finch show, birds staged 7.30.—F. H. Marhoff.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Feb. 10, Porth Hotel, 7. Election of officers and show business.—J. S. Jones.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—Feb. 11, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road, 8. Final arrangements for matched pair show, Feb. 13; judge, Mr. J. Robson.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Mrs. Abbott's Tea Rooms, 7. To form committee and other important business; members and intending members please attend.—Dodd and Wilfred.

St. James-the-Less F.A., Bethnal Green.—Feb. 15, Men's Club, St. James' Road, 8.30. Programme 1915, lecture by Mr. Thos. G. Bransford "In the trail of the Fancy," a retrospect of a Londoner.—F. E. Adams.

Scottish National C.B.S.—Feb. 6, 142, High Street, Edinburgh, 7.30. Annual general meeting, financial statement, election of office-bearers and other important items.—J. R. Meikle.

Skipton C.B.S.—Feb. 8, Friendly Societies' Hall, 7.30.—E. Gill.

Southend C.B.S.—Feb. 10, 5, Priory Avenue, Prittlewell, 8. Making arrangements for pair show.—Deer and Cundy.

South London Col. and F.A. — Feb. 11, Royal George, Tanners' Hill, Deptford, 7.30. Pair show, judge Mr. H. Norman; fanciers invited, admission free.—G. Burton.

Springburn, Possil Park C.B.C. — Feb. 10, Reid Hall, Springburn, 8. Adjourned annual general meeting, finish revision of rules, consider altering show date, and other important business. — W. Waugh.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—Feb. 9 Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Balance-sheet and important business.—W. Stafford.

Stratford and E. London F.S.—Feb. 10, "Eagle," 8. Annual general meeting, report and balance-sheet 1914, election of officers and committee.—A. Wasey.

The East Ham C.B.S.—Feb. 11, Town Hall, 8.30. Adjourned annual general meeting.—F. Onslow.

Tong C.B.S.—Feb. 9, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.30. Arrangement of prize distribution, subs. overdue for 1914.—W. Walker.

Wakefield Roller C.C.—Feb. 10, Elephant and Castle Inn. Members' show, judging commencing at 1.—H. Roebuck.

Walkley C.B.S.—Feb. 12, Westmorland Street Mission Hall. Please note alteration in date; pairing competition; fanciers invited.—C. Tomlinson.

Wallsend, Mid-Tyne C.B.A.—Feb. 10, Station Hotel, 7. Balance-sheet, election of officers and fixing date of annual and N.F. show. Members please don't leave business to a few.—G. Greenwell.

Walton, Everton C.B.C.—Feb. 10, Mission Hall, Kelshaw Street, 8. Important business.—Robinson and Roberts.

Wandsworth F.S.—Feb. 11, Sutton's Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, 8. Adjourned annual general meeting, election of officials for 1915.—W. Lightfoot.

Warrington C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, Members' show; Mr. J. D. Leigh, judge.—H. Warburton.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Feb. 9, Headquarters, 8.30. General business and passing balance-sheet.—W. G. Andrews.

West of Scotland O.S. — Feb. 6, Nelson Temp. Hotel, 5. Matched pair show: Crest, Plainhead, Bord., Yorks., Hyb. and Muling pairs.—Wm. Hutchison.

Wibsey C.B.S. — Feb. 6, Horse and Groom, 7. Arrangements for annual tea and presentation of prizes.—W. Chapman.

Wigan C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Lego of Man Hotel, 8. Balance-sheet, election of officers, and revision of cup rules; very important.—E. Ball.

Windhill C.B.S.—Feb. 6, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Dates and judges for members' shows, etc., tea and concert Feb. 13, tea on table 3.45, concert 5.30. Members and friends wishing to come to the tea must send notice not later than Feb. 10, so we may know how many to cater for; tickets 1/6.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wood Green F.A.—Feb. 9, Adult School, High Road. Show of Canaries (pairs), staged 8.30.—T. Callegari.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Mr. Brocker.—We regret to say that the interesting photographs you send are technically unsuitable for publication in an ordinary issue.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in **a box direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

N. P.—Pneumonia affecting both lungs. The liver was perfectly healthy: there was no existing or hereditary disease.

STANDARD Yorkshires; clear yellow cock, 7in. long, good long flights, well up on leg, 20/-; hen to match, worth double: Clayton: 76, Edgecumbe-st., Newland, Hull. (50)

FOUR good Yorkshire cocks, three ditto hens, one buff Border cock, all healthy birds, 45/- the lot; or will separate; approval, deposit: Bond, Terriers, High Wycombe. (48)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires; few grand slim racy yellow or buff hens for sale; 4/-, 5/- each; satisfaction guaranteed, approval: Wm. Clough, Leegreen, Mirfield, Yorkshire. (50)

WINNERS, two buff cocks, 30/- each; two buff marked hens, 15/- each; all good birds, worth double; approval: McLoughlin, Valley-rd., Liversedge, Yorkshire. (52)

FINE Yorkshire Canaries, my winning strain, guaranteed full song; cocks 5/-, racy hens 3/-; no swank; 7 days' approval cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett, Yorkshire. (24)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, my winning strain, cocks guaranteed full song, 5/-; quality hens, 3/-; no fancy prices; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (61)

SIX fine 1914 Yorkshire cocks, 5/6; four hens, 2/6 each; B.L. rung, cold-room; three buff Norwich cocks, 6/6 each; cash or deposit: A. Hind, 2, Queen's-rd., Linthorpe, Middlesbro. (46)

YOUNG healthy colour-fed exhibitiou Yorkshires, cocks in full song, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 3/6; at home 6 to 9 weekdays, all day Saturday and Sunday: 222, Ribblesdale-rd., Streatham. (30)

SIX Yorkshire cocks and nine hens, cold-room bred, had some colour food, 1913 and 1914 birds, £2 10/-; bargain; mostly green marked: Round, 28, Easton-st., Thornaby-on-Tees, Yorks. (45)

I HAVE some grand Yorks for disposal; cocks and hens in clears or marks; very reasonable prices; pairs from 10/-; approval: G. Simeson, 63, Beaconsfield-st., Acomb, York. (4)

OWING to business am compelled to reduce stock; have a few yellow cocks and buff hens, 10/-, 15/-; all related to winners, London, Windsor, Watford: Buckingham, Butcher, Watford. (52)

GIVING up Yorkshires; 1 marked and 1 ticked buff cocks, 7/6 each; 1 marked yellow and 1 marked buff hens, 5/- each: F. Walshaw, 46, Chilworth-st., Rusholme, Manchester. (52)

HANDSOME pair long unflighted Yorkshires, deep yellow cock, full song, buff hen (clears), took 2nd prize last December; card sent; 16/6; really worth double: Ellis, 1, Mill-rd., Kettering. (491)

PRIZE bred Yorkshires matched to breed winners, from 8/6 to 30/- pair: odd cocks from 7/-, odd hens from 2/6: Robinson, 35, Bessborough-gardens, Vauxhall Bridge-rd., Westminster, S.W. (57)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splend'd length, type and quality, typical cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Priestley, 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (29)

CLEARING out: My entire stock of Yorkshires for sale, including winners and stock birds; also breeding and show cages; inspection by appointment: W. J. Kent, 2, Bunyan-rd., Walthamstow. (45)

H. J. CHITTENDEN has splendid yellow stock cock and buff hen to match, grand pair, 25/-; also buff cock and yellow hen, 25/-; these are worth your attention; approval: 53, Carlisle-st., Manningham.

GRAND stylish Yorkshires, splendid length and quality, from my winners; cocks, 7/6 and 10/-; hens, 4/6 and 6/-; pairs, 12/6; also buffs, first-cross Belgians, 8/6; approval: Geo. York, Melbourne, Derbyshire. (45)

JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type, and quality; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval, carriage paid: Tobacconist 48 Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (39)

A. W. AUSTIN has some grand Yorkshires for sale, feathered like wax; cocks 7/6, hens 5/- upwards; pairs proportionate; approval with pleasure; cash or deposit: Foregate-st., Astwood Bank, Worcestershire. (52)

SIX grand Yorkshire hens, yellow and buffs; 2 yellow cocks, all 1914, good feather and position, relation to cup and open winners: on approval; inspection invited: Spiby, 21, Queen-st., Farnworth, Bolton. (53)

HIGH class Yorkshire Canaries. Having selected my breeding stock, I have a few very excellent birds of both sexes to dispose of; price according to quality; no dealers: Horace Harvey, Churchgate, Spalding. (26)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards: hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (3)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 12/6 upwards; hens 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (58)

WINNING Yorkshires, long, racy birds, best winning strains, cocks guaranteed, full song, 5/-, hens 3/-; satisfaction guaranteed; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Imeson, Commercial House, Ossett, Yorkshire. (61)

YORKSHIRES. Are you looking for cocks or hens? I have a number for sale cheap, and if you will give me a trial will do my best to suit you. Cocks from 8/6, hens from 5/6: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (50)

MOST exceptional offer; must sacrifice rich fed deep yellow unflighted Yorkshire cock, won several honours and now fit for any classic shows in open competition; accept 15/-: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (59)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, several long stylish yellow and buff cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; good hens, 3/6, 5/-, 6/-; matched pairs, 12/-, 15/-, 18/-; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (54)

C. CATTELL, Breeder and Exhibitor high-class Yorkshires; few good pairs for disposal, bred from winners Newcastle, Gateshead, etc.; cocks 7/6, hens 5/-, pairs 12/6 upwards; approval: 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (24)

FANCIERS, my birds have won Y.C.C.A. competition, CAGE BIRDS £2 special, Yorkshire Union Amateur medal; I have some decent birds for sale; write, stating wants; J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, near Huddersfield. (52)

RELUCTANTLY compelled to part with the whole of my selected breeding stock, consisting of 12 pairs of Yorkshires; guaranteed to breed winners; pairs from £1 to £5: A. Gill, 51, Bertie-st., Sticker-lane, Bradford. (49)

YORKSHIRES, room wanted for breeding, must clear, cocks 6/6, 7/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6 each, correctly matched pairs proportionate, every bird my own breeding; honestly worth double; no dealers: Williams, 882, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (15)

YORKSHIRES.—G. A. Parker has some of the best own breeding winner of four cups 1914, many firsts and specials: cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6 to 20/-; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 9/6 to 15/-; a few good Norwich Cinnamon, late Judge Dobson's strain; cocks, 7/6 to 20/-; hens, 7/6 to 15/-; pairs, 12/6 to 25/-, cash or deposit, inspection invited: 17, Litchfield Avenue, Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (1950)

The BULL-DOG STRAIN

Champion Norwich and Yorshires.

20/-, 30-/, 40/-, 50/- per pair.

The above strain needs no bounce. All I need do is to refer you to the reports of leading shows. My birds are winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. I have also bred and sold birds that have won for my clients all over the country. Testimonials in proof of this are always open for the inspection of my visitors. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Good Cobby Hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-** each. Matched breeding pairs, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-** per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, **6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Erect racy Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. Matched Breeding Pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES,** bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate bouching, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** each upwards.

JAN., 1915. UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. JAN., 1915.

The following testimonials, in addition to hundreds of others (which are always open for the inspection of my visitors), have been received during January, 1015.

Montreal, Canada.—The 4 birds you sent me did well at our show. I got **4 Firsts** and **4 Specials** with them. The buff Crest hen won **1st and spl. for best Crest hen in show**; the yellow Crest hen, **1st and 2 specials.** These two were also entered for the C. and C.B. Cup, which I won. The Yellow Green Yorkshire won **1st and Silver Medal for best green** in show. There were 15 birds in his class. The Clear Buff Yorkshire Hen also won 1st. Your birds have opened the eyes of a few fanciers out here.—**P. J. Thomas to Joe Thomas. 237, Chapel Street, Leigh, Lancs.**—I am pleased to say the **Buff Norwich Cock** won **First** at our show. I am very proud of him. **J. Dawson to Joe Thomas. Mount Grace, Potter's Bar, Middlesex.**—Many thanks for the **2 Yorkshire Cocks** you sent me. I got **1st and 2nd** with the 2 birds in a class of 13. The birds deserve more than you claim for them. They are real beauties.—**G. Ogleton to Joe Thomas. Rotherby, Leicester.**—I am very pleased with the **Roller Cock.** He sings beautifully.—**J. M. Snodin to J. Thomas. 13, Broughty St., Leigh.**—Thanks for the bird you sent. **I have had more than double offered for it.** I have had birds from all over the country, **but none to equal it.—J. Cowburn to Joe Thomas. 29, Sydney Road, Tilbury.**—The **pair of Norwich** arrived safely in good condition and very comfortable. They are a very nice pair, and I shall be sending for more at an early date.—**J. E. Petty to Joe Thomas.**

Considerations of space only prevent me from publishing scores similar to above, **but please remember this: I guarantee the same absolute satisfaction to all customers.**

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British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each. **Hens, same pure strain, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. Matched Pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-.**

Mules.—Over 150 Goldfinch and Linnet Mule cocks in full song, **7/6, 8/6, 10/6** each. Few extra large Dark Mules, fit for exhibition, **12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-** each.

Crests and Crestbreds.—I have an exceptionally large and choice selection of this variety, including some very large, massive birds, with plenty of feather. **Cocks, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each upwards. **Hens, 5/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6** upwards. **Splendid Matched Pairs, 15-, 17/6, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-** per pair.

I have also a grand selection of **Border Fancies, Scotch Fancies, Songsters, Muling Hens,** etc., etc. Travelling Cages, **3d.** extra in all cases.

Remember This Please.—I invite you to come on any day but Sunday and inspect my stock, and make your own selection. If unable to come, I am prepared to send any number of birds to any address in the Kingdom on 10 days' approval at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to every customer, or cash returned in full. **Send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue.**

JOE THOMAS Breeder, Exhibitor and Exporter, **Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks.**

OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (27)

FIFTY upstanding Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, bred from my winners, cold-room, seen any evening; approval willingly, deposit; cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (20)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from my winners, rare length, type and quality, from 15/- per pair, real good birds; approval; inspection invited any time except Sundays; over 30 years a breeder: Thorp, Meadowcroft, Stephen-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (45)

PEDIGREE must tell; can spare buff cocks, winners Pembroke, Narberth, Cardigan, Felinfoel, 15/-; also unflighted buff cocks from above, 10/6; smart, upstanding, will improve anybody's stock; approval, deposit; will exchange buffs for yellows: Smith, Partfield, Haverfordwest. (46)

CYRIL BROWN, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe, winner of 250 prizes, cups, and medals, has the whole of his exhibition stock of Yorkshires to dispose of cheap (clearing out); cocks, yellow or buff, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; hens,, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6; three days' approval; satisfaction guaranteed. (59)

UNFLIGHTED buff Yorkshire stock bird, over 7in. long, with two unflighted yellow Yorks hens, rare type and quality; these cannot fail to breed winners; no dodging about strain; these are birds; 40/- the set; cash or deposit Editor; approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (58)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, winning strain, 1914: yellow cock, 20/-; buff hen, 10/-; yellow ticked cock, 15/-; buff hen, 7/6; buff cock, 12/6; yellow hen, 10/-; buff marked cock, 10/-; yellow hen, 7/6; several others from 10/- to 30/- each; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (61)

FOR sale, 4 pair Yorkshires, 3 buff cocks, 3 yellow hens, 1 yellow cock, 1 buff hen, in pairs, cold room bred, healthy, useful; all bred from first-class birds, 10/- a pair, or lot for £1 16/-; also 3 Yorkshire hens, 2 yellow, 1 buff variegated, 7/6 the three; approval with pleasure, deposit Editor: Skinner, 4, Alma-rd., Millfield, Peterboro'. (52)

CLASSICAL buff Yorkshire cock, winner of 1st last week and several other honours recently; accept 17/6; another buff of equal merit, not been shown owing to late moult, now in exceptional trim, rare length, upstanding, leggy specimen, accept 15/-; cheap for £3 3/-; must sacrifice; approval anywhere; see last week's advertisement for selling: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (59)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1½, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 151, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

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has a few classical Yorkshires for disposal, which includes some of the best blood in the Fancy; yellow or buff cocks from 7/6 to 40/-; hens from 4/6; pairs from 10/6 to 50/-; approval, inspection invited: 320, Ainsworth-lane, Tonge Moor, Bolton. (51)

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

I have the finest stock of Yorkshires in Bradford that are for sale; exceptionally fine lengthy cocks, in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; some grand stock cocks, yellow or buff, over 7in. long, at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; grand racy hens, feather like silk, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; colour fed, cold room bred; six days' approval cash or deposit; easy payments taken; inspection invited. Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (58)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Stock and show birds, the best obtainable, no fancy prices, all on ten days' approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire. (32)

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WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

can spare a few choice pairs of Yorks, related to our winners; see Y.U. shows; single birds proportionate; prices reasonable; cinnamon marks a speciality: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (3)

THE IRISH NON-SUCH

High-class Yorkshires cheap; state wants and price; enclose stamped envelope for a reply: M. Fleming, junr., Ligoniel, Belfast. (1998)

THE RIGHT STUFF

Johnson, Norwich and Yorkshire Specialist, winner at all leading shows; better blood unobtainable; grand specimens to spare, both varieties, at reasonable prices; inspection invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 55, George-st., Leeds. (49)

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winners of the Sheffield challenge cup, 1907, 1909, 1913 and 1914; also Walkley cup 1913 and 1914; have some good birds to dispose of cheap; cocks, 5/6, 7/6 and 10/- each; hens, 3/6, 5/-, and 7/- each; pairs from 8/- upwards; inspection invited: 43a, Hawthorn-rd., Hillsbro, Sheffield.

H. H. TOWERS

Winner Cinnamon-marked £10 10/- Competition, etc., and at all the leading shows; must reduce stock preparatory to breeding; some excellent pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and upwards; speciality, cinnamon-marked hens, the kind to introduce quality and feather into your room; on approval, cash or deposit; note new address: 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

CLEARANCE SALE

I am disposing of my entire stock of high-class Yorkshires, including many noted winners; all are for sale at very low prices; winner of over 1,500 prizes, including several cups and bowls; great chance to improve your stock; also stock of utensils, show cases and cages, stock and breeding cages, feeders and water glasses, very cheap to clear: G. W. Cuthbertson, Heighington, via Darlington.

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the Yorkshire Canary King, is now offering a few choice birds, exhibition or stock, at less than traders' prices; every bird warranted his own breeding, from his noted strain of 30 years' standing, winner of more first prizes than any Yorkshire fancier (with own bred birds). Note following, the same old story for 30 years:—Dear Sir,—I received birds all right; I'm very well pleased. Thanking you for your honesty and kindness.—Yours truly, G. Kinnear, Buckhaven, Fife, Jan. 29th, 1915. Hundreds similar to above filed for your inspection. Remember, no bought or claimed winners here, so send direct to the fountain head for your Yorkshires, thus saving the middleman's profit. Inspection invited or birds on approval: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford.

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well-known winning strain; 25 years' study, Sheffield Challenge Cup winner outright; few very nice slim, lengthy and correct positioned birds to spare, cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; specially matched pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited. 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

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If you want to breed winners buy direct from the breeder; same strain as our National winners; state wants; approval; stamp for reply: 1, Back Kitson-st., and 21, Valley-rd., Windhill, Shipley, Yorks.

I WILL GIVE £50

if I cannot prove any of following statements: That I have bred and exhibited more winners this season, and for years past, than any other exhibitor of Yorkshires; during the last five seasons I have won nearly 400 first prizes (almost double the number of any others) at all the largest shows ever held. Now, you Yorkshire Kings, this is a splendid opportunity. I have again won the Yorkshire Cup, the Green-marked Trophy, the Yorkshire Canary Trophy, the Yorkshire Union Competition, and "Cage Birds" Competition; also cup best in show, Bradford National, and several other cups and spls. too numerous to mention. I have the largest collection of high-class Yorkshires ever seen in one room, not all for sale (as I am the largest breeder of the variety in Bradford), and I have hundreds of testimonials from leading exhibitors, whom I have sold winners, and stock birds to breed them. The above record speaks for itself. Some grand birds for sale, bred from my noted winners, and for length, type, and quality, cannot be equalled, and matched to perfection, all cold room bred and kept; pairs 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; odd birds in proportion; inspection invited, or kindly state wants; all birds sent on a full week's approval; cash or deposit: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (33)

H. SMITH, WIMBLEDON

Yorkshires, splendid stock birds, for sale, cheap; yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, pairs from 12/6; approval: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (56)

FEW GENUINE BARGAINS

Few matched pairs, 1914 bred Yorkshires, 12/6 pair; all same blood as my cup winners; odd yellow hens, 5/-; yellow cocks, 10/-; these are genuine bargains; only reason for selling room wanted; first postal order gets pick: Fulford, Cameron-rd., Christchurch, Hants. (53)

Various Canaries.

THREE hens 1/9 each, or 3 for 5/-: C. B., 45 Tollington-rd., Holloway, N. (57)

NORWICH hen, 3/-; Yorkshire hens, 3/6; Yorkshire cocks, full song, 7/6: Banner, 27, High-st., Bromley, Kent. (56)

SHOW and stock buff cocks, also yellows, cheap to clear; stamp reply: Thomas Hutton, Ivylea, Larbert. (58)

THREE Crested cocks, two 15/6 each, one 10/-; one Crested hen, 7/6; approval: Twigg, 11, Coxon-st., Spondon.

GRAND singing Canaries, full song, cheap, 5/6; hens, 2/-; pairs, 7/3: Haynes, 26, Salisbury-st., St. George, Bristol. (50)

FOR sale or exchange, lovely pairs of Yorkshires and Norwich at 12/-; approval: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (25)

SCOTCH Fancies, yellow piebald cock, 15/-; buff hen, 25/-; 5 Crestbreds, 7/6 each: D. McGregor, 24, Boyd-st., Laurieston, Falkirk. (51)

GIVING up Fancy; Muling Canaries, yellow and buff, for sale, cocks and hens, 5/- to 10/- each: Cormie, Cloandon-pl., Kirkcaldy, Fife. (46)

TWO pairs large Norwich, 15/- pair; pair Yorkshires, 12/6; exchange pair for large buff Norwich cock: Lingard, 29, Marlboro-st., Burnley. (52)

WILL exchange 3 large healthy Norwich hens or good matched pair Norwich for 2 cock Mules in full song; mutual approval: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (54)

1914 CLEAR yellow Norwich cocks, Yorkshires in yellow and buff-marked, 5/- each, colour-fed, cold room bred: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge. (1993)

EXCHANGE 8 Yorks, 2 fed hens, for 24 hangers, nestpans, linings, half dozen baths; little cash; yours first; approval: Oaks, 11, Wentworth-aven., Field-st., Hull. (51)

ABOUT 30 Yorkshires, mostly cocks; also 9 half and quarter-bred Belgian and Yorkshire, grand stuff, price 10/- to 15/- each; Belgian cock, cost £2, price, £1 5/-: Todd, North Parade, Otley. (51)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, has some really grand Yorkshires and Norwich, the oldest and best strains in England; letter from Wales says: "You certainly send best value seen in these parts." (41)

FOR sale, three unflighted buff Yorkshire cocks, 7/6 each; one yellow cock, 7/6; also three prize-bred Norwich cocks, buffs, 10/- each; one buff hen, 5/-; all unflighted; approval, deposit: A. J. Smith, Whitemoor-lane, Belper, Derbyshire. (51)

YORKSHIRE birds, 2 1914 buff hens, 1/6 each; 1 1914 variegated buff cock, 4/-; 1 1911 cinnamon buff hen, 2/6; 1 1914 yellow cock, 4/-; 1 1913 buff cock, 4/-; 1 1914 Norwich buff cock, 4/-; 1 pair fine Bullfies, 4/-: Horton, 30, Dickson-st., Colne, Lancs. (47)

HOME-BRED Yorkshire and Roller cock Canaries, splendid songsters, 10/6 to 15/6; hens from 2/6; several aviary moulted cock Goldfinches, 6/6 each, 2 for 12/-, proved mulers: hand-reared cock Green finches, 2/- each, 2 for 3/6; hens, 1/- and 1/6: Mrs. E. Grey, The Ferns, Yiewsley, Middlesex. (60)

100 SINGING NORWICH & YORKSHIRES

5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; all guaranteed cocks; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston; and 80, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

500 SPECIAL SONGSTERS

now ready to send out; Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 2/6; approval; Remember: There are songsters and songsters, if you want low-priced rubbish don't apply to me, please: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

G. SYKES

Having won the Laisterdyke cup, Leeds cup, also unflighted cup, have a few good birds for sale, variegated yellow cock and clear buff hen, 30/-; cinnamon marked hen, 15/-; others from 10/6 per pair; come and see for yourselves. 8, Algot-st., Hunslet Carr, Leeds. (59)

To the Novice and Amateur.

If you are undecided, try any of the following trio, namely, a Cock and two Hens. Prize-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Mountain Rollers, Border Fancies, or Lizards. The three birds, 10/6, 12/6, 15/, 20/-; approval. Travelling Cages, 3d. Double Breeding Cages, fitted complete, 5/6. List of all others free. W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

Real Rollers, Pure Bred. Real Norwich, Pure Bred. Real Yorkshires, Pure Bred.

For any of above, see last week's advertisement. Established 50 years.—SANDIFORD, Bird Specialist, Preston and London.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

GOLDFINCH Mules, cocks, 4/6, in full song: 12, Highgate-st., Liverpool. (55)

PINIONED hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Hayclock-st., Leicester.

WANTED Mules in full song: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 69-70, Selater-st., Shoreditch.

FINE cock Goldfinch Mule 6/-, ditto 5/-; also cages, cheap: Short, 229, Caledonian-rd., London, N. (58)

EXCHANGE cock Siskin muler for cock Goldfinch Mule, or sell 10/-: Bisset, 83, High-st., Fraserburgh.

SPLENDID hen Bullfinch, nager tame, 7/6; Goldfinch, show specimen, 5/-: W. Dyer, 30, Albion-st., Cheltenham. (42)

COCK Goldfinch-Greenfinch Hybrid, can win anywhere; want offers; approval: Fred Alleu, 156, Porter-s., Hull. (61)

TWO year moulting cock Goldfinch, safe with eggs, 7/6; cock Linnet, 3/6; approval: Kearl, Wodestock, Ringwood, Hants. (58)

TWICE bous-moulted cock Linnet, bred Mules, and good Yorkshire hen, 7/6; approval, deposit: Bond, Terriers, High Wycombe. (48)

GRAND lot of Mules, Hybrids, also selected muling birds; see special list, free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (59)

COCKS, Goldfinch muler, Canary-Linnet Mule, two hen Goldfinch Mules, genuine cash; offers: Cawood, 25, Britannia-st., Scarborough. (54)

COCK Linnet Mule, cock Goldfinch-Greenfinch hybrid, Norwich cock Canary, 6 each: Joe. Young, South Church, Bishop Auckland. (53)

LIGHT cock Goldfinch Mules, in full song, 5/- each; seven hens, 1/- each; cash or deposit: Jones, 35, Paradise, Ironbridge, Shropshire. (53)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Krenmer, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

CANARY-REARED cock and hen Chaffinch, cock 2/6, hen 1/-; Sparrow nets, new, on 19ft. poles, 4/-: Groom, Longnor Hall, Longnor, Shrewsbury. (45)

NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: Mckeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1852)

EXCHANGE, dark yellow cock Siskin Mule, in full song, for Norwich cock, or two yellow hens, sell 7/6: Huckle, 31, Gordon-rd., Kingston-on-Thames. (60)

TO mulers, 2 cock Linnets, 2 pairs Greenfinches, garden aviary-moulted, flying with Canaries since summer, 2/6 each: Miller, Eyre Cottage, Sydenham.

EXHIBITION birds, big winners, National, Palace, Twite Mule 20/-, Linnet-Bullfie 40/-, Goldie-Greenie 25/-, Goldie-Backie 90/-: Heron, Williamsburgh, Paisley. (61)

A FEW genuine large Lancashire Norwich hens, for moulting, grand substance, 5/- each, worth double: Thomson, Croft Place, Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (48)

LARGE yellow cock Greenfinch, 9d.; also cock Linnet Mule, 5/-; suit catcher; cock Goldfinch Mule, 4/-; also grand pair Norwich: Williams, Vran Chop, Denbigh

WANTED, cock Mules, on full song, in exchange for high class stock or exhibition Norwich Plainheads, mutual approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (52)

EXHIBITION dark yellow cock Goldie Mule, colour fed, in perfect condition, fit to win at any ordinary shows; approval 15/-: James, Windmill-terrace, Brighton. (57)

SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

COCK Goldfinch, September caught, large square blaze, matched with Norwich hen, 7/6; cock Linnet, matched Norwich hen, 4/6: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (60)

SIX good cock Mules, three 1913 Goldies, one variegated, two 1914 Goldies, one Linnet, winner 1st, £2 2/-; approval, deposit: A. Muncey, Knecsworth-st., Royston, Herts. (52)

FOUR two-year-old clean-moulted call bird Linnets, full song, sure mulers, £1; or will exchange cock Goldfinch Mules to value: Chris. Hatten, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (54)

COCK Linnet Mules in full song, 8/6 each; one Greenfinch Mule, 12/-; a lovely bird, 2nd at Lambeth Baths only time out: W. Bissett, 66, Buchanan-rd., Nunhead, S.E. (48)

T. W. RICHARDS, High-st., Narberth, has some champion singing Goldfinch Mules for sale, pure Goldfinch note; large birds, at 10/- each; three days' approval; cash, deposit. (50)

EXHIBITORS; winning Goldfinch-Greenfinch, with show cage, £6/-; exchange selected Goldfinches, large muling hens; offers, particulars stamp: W. Thomas, Saddler, Redruth. (58)

LARGE pink-eyed sib-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, yellows 7/6, buffs 5/6; cocks, full song, gems, 7/6 each; ten days approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (52)

NOTICE, special offer, monster clear and variegated buff Norwich hens, make champion mulers, only 5/-, 7/6, 10/- and 15/ each; all strong and healthy, cold-room bre, satisfaction guaranteed, approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (52)

GRAND buff Linnet Mule, fine type and quality, 10/6; large buff Siskin Mule, 10/6; nice yellow variegated Goldfinch Mule, 8/-, off Siberian; also cock Redpoll-Greenfinch hybrid, 12/; all in first-rate condition: Hopkins, 93, East Main-st., Darvel, Ayrshire.

TIME, trouble, and money saved! Upon receipt of 1d. stamp, we will send you post free one dozen advertisement forms, and one dozen addressed envelopes. To the regular advertiser—and it is the regular advertiser that makes money,—these will be very useful: The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds." 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

SELLING off; light Goldfinch Mule, only marked on wings, full song, 10/6; Redpoll-Canary Mule, full song, 5/6; four Goldfinch Mules, 4/- each, or 10/6 lot; hen Canary, bred them, 3/-; cock Goldfinch, muler, 4/-; two Linnets, singing, 2/- each; Yorkshire cock Canary, cost 21/-, accept 10/6; approval: Ernest, 25, Wolfreton-rd., Anlaby, near Hull. (61)

LARGE exhibition Goldfinch, reliable muler, 20/-; two fine Greypates, moult winners, 15/-; four selected cock Greypates, 15/-; large hen Siskin, muler, 7/6, dark exhibition Goldfinch Mule, 15/-; wanted, large pair stock Norwich and two large Norwich-type unflighted muling hens, size and substance absolutely essential: Police-Constable Ryan, Templehouse, Ballymohl, Sligo. (61)

Special To Mule Breeders

Finest lot of muling hens in England: on approval; 2/6, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6; cage, 3d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

50-PURE BRED SIB HENS

guaranteed to breed Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, and 7/6 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; also 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

DOVES.

WANTED, any variety, for cash: Royal Menageries, 199, Shaftesbury Avenue, London. (51)

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED, any variety, for cash: Royal Menageries, 199, Shaftesbury Avenue, London. (51)

ADULT Budgerigars, outdoors, 4/6 pair; two pairs 8/-: Halls, Claremont, Cornall, Sudbury, Suffolk. (45)

WANTED, Macaw, noise no objection; state lowest price: P., 58, Station-rd., Barnes, S.W. (48)

OUTDOOR aviary bred young Green Budgerigars, 4 pair, hens 2/6, cocks 2/- each: Baines 6, Toronto-st., Lincoln. (58)

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SELL or exchange three cocks, four hens, Canaries, cocks 5/-, hens 2/6: Dearn, 10, Fog-lane, Didsbury. (55)

EXCHANGE "Our Canaries," for Norwich cock and 2 hens: Craven, Springbank, Peak Dale, via Stockport. (56)

TWO clear buff Yorkshire hens, well bred, 5/- each, or useful exchange: F. Jackson, Wood-lane, Bignall End, Staffs. (52)

TWO yellow Border hens, young; exchange for yellow Norwich hen: Ferguson, 103, Kerse-rd. Grangemouth. (58)

PRIZE-BRED Borders, 10/6 pair; also others cheap; offers wanted cottago piano: Brooker, 15, Frome-terr., Dorchester. (56)

EXCHANGE two buffs, one yellow Yorks. hens for yellow Norwich hen, or what offers: Heathcote, Owlett Hall, Littleborough. (56)

EXCHANGE good yellow Cinnamon Border hen for chubby yellow Norwich hen; yours first: 106, Johnst., Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (52)

PRIZE bred Yorkshires from champion blood; exchange large Crest or Crestbred hen: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea, London. (54)

THREE clear buff cocks, one foul buff, cinnamon hen, Borders, good prize strain; what offer: Laidlaw, 60, Castle-st., Sanquhar. (50)

WANTED, Roller singing cages or cabinets; exchange grand Glucke green Roller cock, sell 12/6: 7, Wellington-st., Westhoughton. (46)

WILL exchange 24-barred auto-harp with music, cost £2 10/-, for good pair of Crests; birds first: Wallace, Mungalend, Falkirk. (50)

SIX Norwich cocks; exchange for Yorkshire unflighted yellow cock to value, or sell £2: Crowther, Green-lane, Shelf, nr. Halifax. (53)

EXCHANGE good buff Norwich stock cock for good yellow or buff unflighted Norwich hen: Jackson, 31, Clough-rd., Birkby, Huddersfield. (56)

RECORDS, 10-inch, value 16/-, for good big unflighted buff Norwich cock; approval: Harrison, 16, Hepthorne-lane, nr. Chesterfield (47)

EXCHANGE a pair of Yorkshire Canaries for a boy's suit or topcoat, or boots; yours first: T. Brown, 21, Foxhouses, Whitchaven. (56)

EXCHANGE variegated Yorkshire cock and buff Norwich hen for cabinet cages or Roller cock: W. Clarke, 59, Addison-rd., Fleetwood. (56)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock, lengthy, for two good hens, no rubbish, value 10/-, hens first: A. Pembleton, 101, Notts-rd., Stapleford, Notts. (50)

WILL exchange or sell Cinn. York hen (1913), 1st Chorley, for unflighted Norwich hen or offers: A. Braid, 8, Devonshire-rd., Chorley, Lancs. (56)

EXCHANGE two year's "Cage Birds" and plates for birds, seeds, cages; anything for household: Sergeant Thomas, Barkham, Wokingham. (48)

HOUSE moulted cock Thrush and cage, 7/6; cock Linnet, 2/6; good songsters; exchange Canaries; offers: Tutty, 10, Squarey-st., Tooting. (54)

EXCHANGE, high-class Yorkshires or Seifert Rollers for scrap brass, copper, etc.: B. Murgatroyd, 5, Walker-place, Windhill, Shipley, Yorks. (58)

LARGE yellow variegated Nor. cock (Vardy's), 15/-, singing; exchange good Glucke Roller; approval both ways: 166, Bedwas-rd., Caerphilly, Glam. (51)

FOR sale, 1914 high-class Glucke Rollers, winning strain, rung, or will exchange matched pair for good suit for boy 14: Cole, 53, Station-rd., Llanelly. (55)

EXCHANGE Norwich buff cock, buff hen, variegated hen, 1914 birds, splendid quality, for Rollers; sell 30/-: J. Waterfield, 34, Halford-st., Smethwick.

PAIR yellow Norwich, sell 7/6, or exchange cock Goldfinches; pair house-moulted Linnets, 3/: Ernest Barker, Armoury Cottage, Bondgate, Helmsley. (51)

NORWICH cocks, 5/6; hens, 3/-; useful exchange, wanted yellow Yorkshire cock, double breeders; approval: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (49)

EXCHANGE good buff Norwich hen, variegated Roller hen, 2 double breeders, for good singing Roller cock, or sell 10/-: Wynne, 55, Summer lane, Wombwell. (49)

WILL exchange one good lengthy Yorks cock for big unflighted buff Norwich hen, with good head: S. J. Arnold, 15, Elm-st., Chester-le-Street, Durham. (53)

EXCHANGE half size violin, bow, case, for pair good Borders and 2 muling hens Canaries; Birds first: John Lambie, Arniston, Gorebridge, Midlothian. (48)

NORWICH, wanted 2 typical unflighted yellow hens, clear and variegated; exchange good buff cock and 2 hens; approval: E. Harrison, 108, Harlesden-rd., Willesden. (51)

GREENFINCH and Norwich hen, bred Mules, pair Canaries, H.M. cock Chaffinch, and single breeder, 12/6, or exchange Rollers: Outram, "Fern Lea," Cedmor, Derbys. (51)

EXCHANGE Norwich yellow and Yorkshire buff hens for young Roller cock or Goldfinch cock Mule: Wm. Coulter, Mowbray-terrace, Stakeford-lane, Choppington. (51)

YORKSHIRE cock, 7/6, or exchange for cock Hawfinch or 2 Yellow Norwich hens; approval; yours first: H. Bannister, Millbank-st., Skelton-in-Cleveland, Yorkshire. (53)

EXCHANGE yellow variegated Yorkshire hen, value 7/6, for large yellow Norwich hen or good-class gramophone records: Sharman, "Lyndhurst," Wordsworth-rd., Wallington. (56)

TICKED yellow Norwich cock, 1913, winner 1st in £1 selling class, 15/-; two yellow hens, 1913, 4/- each; or exchange offers: Pickles, Post Office, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge. (49)

EXCHANGE two 1914 Norwich Roller hens and 14-inch Brighton cage new, for one 1914 Norwich cock, or sell 8/-; stamp: Newton, Jeweiler, 10, Harcourt-terrace, Salisbury. (57)

WHAT offers, healthy hen, 1914 Rollers, Yorkshires, good feeding, singing strains, would give 5 for 2 good songsters, or useful exchange, drapery wanted: 20, Eaton-st., High Wycombe. (51)

EXCHANGE Norwich Plainheads, cocks or hens, for nails, screws, bolts, etc.; bred from my winners of over 120 1sts, 1913, 1914 bred: Handley, Coachbuilder, Walsoken, Wisbech. (56)

EXCHANGE two big buff Norwich hens for one big yellow; what offers; stock or exhibition Norwich for two pairs of Yorkshires, or sell 10/6 a pair: Cox, 109, Bourne-st., Eastbourne. (53)

FOR sale three Yorkshire hens, two buff, one yellow, 3/- each; one Roller, one Border, 1/6 each; or exchange for British to value: W. Turner, 109, Victoria-rd., Parkgate, Rotherham. (45)

SIX Norwich hens, mostly buffs, sale, 18/-; or exchange good big unflighted cock, fit for show, add money for exhibition bird; approval; yours first: Hollick, "Shirwood," Castle-rd., Salisbury. (53)

TWO exhibition buff cinnamon Border hens, in exchange for clear buff cock Border, Radiant heating stove only used 3 days, cost 16/6, what offers in Borders; yours first: B.K., 14, Ellington-st., Liverpool-rd., London, N. (52)

1913 EYE and wing marked yellow Yorkshire cock, bred from winners, in song, 15/-; 1914 variegated yellow Yorkshire cock, in song, 6/-; exchange clear Norwich or Yorkshire hens: Roper, 134, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (57)

EXCHANGE five cocks, 10 hens, Canaries; one cock Linnet Mule; all on full song; 1914 bred; wanted, African Grey Parrot and cage, must be good talker and whistler: J. R. Turnbull, 3, Osman-terr., Sedgefield, Fence Houses. (51)

WANTED, Roller cocks in exchange for liver Spaniel bitch and her four dog puppies, three weeks old, bitch retrieve anything from water, ears two feet across; approval; sell lot for 35/-: Peters, 35, Dolph Brow, Westhoughton. (46)

NOTICE.—Wanted all varieties Canaries and foreign and British birds; give good exchange in Crystal Palace shaped or other aviaries or cases or gent's suit lengths value 25/-, or lady's dress length value 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

WHAT offers in Canaries for the following two pairs pure-bred English rabbits, new fishing rod and tackle, H.M. cock Bullie, H.M. cock Chaffinch, both winners, also 2 good Norwich songsters, for Yorkshire cock, no rubbish offered, none wanted; yours first; particulars: Lowe, Alfred-st., Alfreton. (50)

Mainly Foreign.

AMAZON Parrot, £4 10/-; Rock Parrot £2 2/-, good talker, caged three years; exchange wanted: Bird, 163, Waterloo-rd., Lambeth. (57)

LARGE Australian Grey Rosella Parrot, 7 months' old, sell 30/-, or exchange for Canaries and cages; accept first offer: Fitzpatrick, 41 Clyde-place, Glasgow. (59)

HANDSOME cock Bullfinch, 3/6, another 2/6, hen 1/6; lovely cock Chaffinch, 1/6; 2 hen Greenfinches, 1/-; yell. cock Greenfinch, cock Goldfinch, paired, 4/6; approval: wanted, breeding Zebra Finches: Gardener, The Beeches, East Harling, Norfolk. (54)

Miscellaneous.

REALLY cheap printing; send for prices: Moore's Printing Works, Johnson-st., Liverpool. (42)

TWO buff hens, sell reasonable, exchange anything useful: Fisher, Sunnyside Cottages, Skelmanthorpe.

WANTED, all kinds of live stock, in exchange for cutlery or plate: Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (58)

SHEPHERD'S purse, clean, 3lbs.; what offer in cash or sell single lbs.: Jamieson, 8, Lilybank-rd., Dundee. (48)

AQUARIUM, 19 x 12, 25/-, being soiled, 12/6; exchange for goat's harness: Zoo, Handsworth, Birmingham.

WHAT offers in fresh British for 6 pairs of Fancy Roller Pigeons: Steele, 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester.

NORWICH, colour fed, for sale, or exchange for anything useful, or appro.: Morris, 57, High-st., Tooting. (55)

SALE, 20/-; or exchange Canaries, well-bred white Bull bitch, three months: H. Yardley, 28, Sudway-st., Hull. (57)

CRYSTAL Palace aviary, exchange for Canaries, British or Foreign birds: G. Stride, 41, Oswald-rd., St. Albans. (49)

EXCHANGE Book of Photography in 32 parts for Canaries, Yorkshires: Pace, 23, Albion-st., West Hartlepool. (49)

"OUR Canaries," excellent condition, first P.O. 12/-, cost it, cost double: Collins, Brookside, Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (48)

EXTENSION Roller skates, 10s.; exchange typical Norwich hen, or 28 x 1½ cover: Baker, 2, Marrott-rd., Holloway. (53)

EXCHANGE pair good Black Pigmies for exhibition h.m. Goldfinch, or sell 8/-: 27, North-st., Rushden, Northants. (49)

TWO large flue nets, new, hand made: exchange Canaries or anything, or sell 10/-: Ball, 43, Melton rd., Wealstone. (52)

SELL, or exchange for Canaries, 20 racing homers, prize winners; offers: Rogers, 15, Middle Centeng-row, Camborne. (58)

REPEATING ADVERTISEMENTS.

Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous Issue, Page, and Column are stated by the advertiser.—ADVT. MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS."

EXCHANGE ivory mounted piccolo for [illegible] Norwich hen; or sell 7/6: G. Wheeler, [illegible] Green-rd., London. (49)

EXCHANGE one pair of white blankets, 90 x 1 cock or 4 hen Canaries: 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (60)

LIGHT suit, fit gent, 5ft. 8in., slim, sell 21/-, exchange birds; offer first: Colmer, 11, Rosedale-ter., Heaton, Manchester. (59)

EXCHANGE white cock Bantam, one hen and a big hen, for Linnets, Canaries (aviaries): 52, Garfield-st., Workington. (48)

SILVER grey buck, 10/-, three laying pullets, 2/6 ea., exchange Lizard or house mounted Britain: John Esplin, Bonnybridge. (56)

LAYING pullets and singing cock Canaries, given in exchange for other stock Fancy. Barker's Aviaries, Greenwich. (60)

SELL three pairs working homers exchange cage birds, appliances, or offer in bowls: Pierce, 24, Woodville-rd., Birkenhead. (59)

EXCHANGE cold bred high-class lop rabbits, no better blood obtainable, for Canaries: E. Saxon, 25, Oxford rd., Sudbrook. (60)

TWO pairs of prize-bred self grey Borders, 1/6 pair; exchange for pullets: Barber, Hockey rd., Wilnecote, Tamworth. (47)

GRAMOPHONE and records, £4; exchange Lorikeet or plain talking Parrot; offers: John [illegible], Bonnybridge, Scotland. (59)

GOOD phonograph and 24 records, 9/6 quarterly; exchange for fishing tackle, or Canaries: Middleton, 96, Northgate, Canterbury. (48)

EXCHANGE 12 records for three large yellow hens, Norwich or four for one: Reynolds, Newland Farm, Sidney Helston, Cornwall. (46)

WANTED, Yorkshire show cages and case or anything useful; exchange Yorkshire hens: O. Potterton, 16, Walk-st., Keighley. (49)

50-EGG incubator, Radiets, sell, 15/-; or exchange two pair 1914 Norwich: Anderson, Elden Cottages, Hume-avenue, Rowlands Gill. (46)

CIVIL Service field glasses £1; Rose-breasted Parrot and cage, 30/-; exchange songsters: Thomas Pargeter, Grimsbury, Banbury. (47)

EXCHANGE few good racing pigeons for Norwich Cinnamons or Goldfinches: H. Roberts, 28, Curzon-rd., Waterloo, nr. Liverpool. (52)

LARGE black retriever bitch, 2 years, 30/-; exchange Pomeranian or other breed: Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (54)

SALE or exchange Yorkshire Terrier bitch, pricked ears, good coat, 4lbs. weight, 35/-: White, 20, Douglas-st., Newtown, Wigan. (55)

THREE good fishing rods and tackle, sell 25/-; exchange stock pair Norwich or offers: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Workop, Notts. (56)

EXCHANGE, 6 ivorine handled knives, and 6 teaspoons, for 1 cock or 3 hen Canaries: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Philips-rd., Sheffield. (61)

EXCHANGE all kinds hardly perennials for Canaries, Goldfinches, or clapnets; apply letter only: Collins, Morehard Bishop, Devon. (49)

WANTED, offers Canaries; exchange pair Scotch blankets, or new silver lever watch, sell 25/- each: Drummond, Hutchinson-st., Glasgow. (61)

OFFERS in cages, inside aviary, or birds wanted, in exchange for Roger treadle fret machine, sell 9/-: Wm. Hannah, Killearn, Stirlingshire. (58)

QUANTITY choice garden flower roots offered in exchange for Canaries, Goldfinches, cages, poultry, wire netting, glass.—Cypher, Bedwas. (47)

B.R.C.C.14 rung Roller cock, two 1913 rung hens (Randall's strain), £1; exchange laying pullets: Hoyle, 9, Quarry-rd., Chorley. (52)

SEVERAL hundreds prints and cuttings from old books, popes, bishops, divines, various sizes; offers cash, birds: Holt, Ironmonger, Bacup. (51)

HOUSEHOLD goods, boots, clothing, cycle tyres, etc., given in exchange for livestock: Jepson's Exchange Stores, Newton Heath, Manchester. (60)

GRAMOPHONE and 30 double records, new, 55/-; exchange plain Norwich for stock, no rubbish offered or wanted: 7, Derby-st., Leigh, Lancashire. (48)

MANDOLINE-harp, 21/-; three double breeders, 10/-; five Roller cages, 7/6; exchange talking Parrot: Mayes, Ebenezer-st., Langley Mill. (49)

EXCHANGE pair exhibition Tumblers, feather leg, good exhibition Bramblefinch, Siskin, Redpoll, sell, 10/-: Wall, 26, The Mead, Street, Somerset. (54)

EXCHANGE twenty-six 7d. parts Harmsworth's "Popular Science" for singing Roller or muling Goldfinch: Graham, 9, Houseworth-st., Hoxton. (49)

WINNERS: Jacobin cock, Owl cock, pair Magpies, 6 Baldheads; exchange cage birds, Foreign preferred: Odgers, Willis-st., Camborne, Cornwall. (53)

WANTED, good Yorkshire cocks; give exhibition Cavies or Rabbits in exchange; correspondence invited: Beaumont, Netherovde, Ripponden, Halifax.

WILL give pair large blankets, pure wool, not rubbish, for 3 good cocks, Canaries, full song, or returned: B. Soames, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (60)

TWO cocks, four hen Canaries, sell £1; exchange fowls or ducks to value, cycle, or joiner's tools: Joe Hill, 1, Gisborne row, Bugsworth, Derbyshire. (49)

PEDIGREE Bull bitch, breeder, good mother, low, wide front, one season, 50/-; exchange Canaries, anything: Holmes, 5, Foldings Scholes, Cleckheaton. (48)

EXCHANGE pair Yellow Budgerigars, cock Lovebird, H.M. Goldfinch and Linnet, for Siskin or Yellow Norwich, or sell: Godman, Stotfold, Baldock. (52)

WANTED grandfather clock or brass dial and works for cash, or exchange 3 toby jugs and cash: 23, West Leigh-st., Clough-rd., Moston, Manchester. (48)

EXCHANGE best quality lady's, gent's umbrellas, for any kind of Canaries on full song, offers: Dobbs, Umbrella Manufacturer, 566, Rochdale rd, Manchester. (62)

EXCHANGE 2 double breeding cages, 30 x 18 x 11, whole backs, loose fronts, sand trays, new, for two Yorkshire hens: Dean, Highgate, Glusburn, Keighley. (61)

MUST be cleared, grand lot high-class big unmated and clear legged tumblers, exchange cage birds, or offers: J. Tilley, "Gosport," Selly Park, Birmingham. (58)

EXCHANGE lady's high-class silver watch and silver albert, perfect timekeeper, to value 16/-, or four good fowls: George, 42, Castleton-st., Hackney, N.E. (48)

SILVER grey stock buck, 10/, worth double; young Flemish Giants, three months, 2/ each: exchange birds: Davison, Crows Nest, Haddenham, Bucks. (50)

AIREDALE bitch, good pedigree, two years, rough black and tan, 10/6; or exchange birds or offer: Henson, 71, Old Mill lane, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (47)

WILL exchange a first class Belgian hare doe, 8 months old, splendid colour and length for a good pair of Yorkshire Canaries: J. Denton, Lindfield, Surrey. (47)

THREE pairs typical, good Borders, for show or stock, all varieties in clears and greens, 1/6 pair, exchange toy Yorkshire terrier or anything useful; approval: Hick, 161, Bramford rd, Ipswich. (57)

EIGHT good double-sided records, 10/6, for large cock Goldies, or good Norwich cock; yours first; approval: Woods, Green-rd., Skelton-in-Cleveland, Yorkshire. (53)

GRAMOPHONE, 50 double sided records, case stag-horn carvers, what offers in exchange; no rubbish wanted or given; yours first: Brooke, 5, The Square, Richmond. (44)

CANARIES wanted in exchange for all kinds of workman's tools, household goods; state your surplus stock and what you require: Lee, 43, Sharrow-st., Sheffield. (59)

EXCHANGE, 12/6, new pair spring grip dumbbells, also good pair Spangled Bantams, value 12/6, for good Rollers or Norwich; approval: Davies, 58, Ynyswen, Treorchy. (56)

15 - WORTH new Zonophone records; exchange for good pair healthy Canaries; also new 12/6 needle sound box for pair Canaries: Wilkinson, 19, Rhyswg-rd., Abercarn, Mon. (50)

CARPENTER'S plane spokeshave, 2 chisels, square, hatchet, gimlet; also acetylene lamp; in good order; exchange Yorkshire or British: Mason, 24, Dolcy-felinest., Caerphilly, Glam. (58)

MY Norwich combine Davies, Hodder, Vardy and Irons' strains, splendid pairs, 12/6; cocks from 7/6; approval; exchange prism binocular telescope: Burgess, Eastover, Bridgwater. (43)

SALE or exchange, incubators, Taylor's, one by Fox, £2 10/-, and £1 5/-; disc records and gramophone, £1 5/-; boy's suit, 12/-: Alexander, 4, Carson-rd., Canning Town, London. (47)

EXHIBITION Black Orpington cock, two hens, one cost £1, from Bell's; exchange Canaries, or sell £2; Scotch Fancies preferred; approval; apply: Rendie, Sunny-terrace, Stanley, Durham. (54)

WILL give good exchange in Canaries or gent.'s suit lengths, value 25/- each, for any variety pure breed dogs, large or small; no rubbish wanted: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

COMEDIAN'S comic song, "Tommy, the pet of the Ladies," music and sole singing rights, cost £3, bargain 30/-; what offers in Canaries, British, or Foreign: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (46)

EXCHANGE Rollers, Hybrid pairs, red-breasted Cockatoo, for Sib bred, or clear, Norwich hens, British show, cages and case, foreign birds, or exhibition Hawfinch: Hamer, 53, David-st., Elton, Bury. (60)

HANDSOME pair prismoid binoculars, new condition, in leather case, with shoulder strap and cord, 17/6; approval, deposit; or exchange anything useful to £1: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (61)

PAIR riding top boots, with trees, nearly new, size 8, 20/-; pair front fork motor cycle springs, 7/6; Norwich hens, colour fed, unflighted, 3/6 each; exchange anything useful: Green, Navigation-rd., Chelmsford. (51)

RACK and 20 cages, 17 x 15 x 9, 45/-; two Lancashire show cages and case to carry 4, 8/6; four Lizard cages, two Norwich, in case to carry 6, 10/6; all cheap to clear: Alex. Donnelly, 295, Swinton Hall, Pendlebury.

2 WORDS 1d. THROUGHOUT

is the rate charged for all advertisements not relating to birdkeeping. The following heading are available: Aquarium; Business; Cats; Cavies; Clothing; Cycles; Dress; Ferrets; Garden; Household; Kennel; Mice; Musical Instruments; Natural History; Photography; Pigeons; Pigs; Poultry; Rabbits; Sport; Stamps; and Various.

BEST cash offer; new book, "Canaries, Hybrids, and British Birds," cost 25/-; splendid selection of 10in. double-sided records, for cash, Canaries, offers; stamp reply: Arthur Downs, 4, Phillips-st., Hulme, Manchester. (50)

SILVER Waltham lever, good going order, 12/6; pair new Rodger's hollow-ground razors, in case, 5/6; 22 new 6d. novels, 6/-; 16 new 1/- novels, 7/6; exchange songsters, anything: Arthur Tylke, Nantymoel, Glam. (56)

THREE yellow Yorkshire cocks, one foul yellow, one self buff, 7/6 each; two four-compartment, 4/- each; two 2-compartment, 2/- each; accessories, offers for lot or separate: Walker, 122, Burscough-st., Ormskirk. (48)

EXCHANGE one pair of reins, one carriage lamp, one nickel bit, nearly new, for six cock Goldfinches or six hen Canaries, Rollers, no rubbish offered or wanted; yours first: W. Caron, No. 4, Ash Grove, Ebbw Vale, Mon. (54)

TWO pair tipplers, few odd cocks, strain has won numerous flies, no better blood, 2/6 each; exchange good exhibition Linnet or good Buff Yorkshire hen, unflighted, no rubbish, deposit Editor: Hartley, 27, Clarence-st., Sheffield. (59)

MUST clear two buff Yorkshires, 3/6 each; one yellow cock, 8/6; one Lancashire coppy hen, 10/-; three Goldie cock Mules, 4/6 each; three hens, 1/- each; 12 good breeders, 1/6 each: Taylor, 58, Seville-st., Longsight, Oldham. (46)

EXCHANGE one hundred mole-skins, cured and dressed, for a pair of Belgian Canaries, or a pair of Scotch Fancy or Crests, large birds; they are splendid skins; on approval: R. Barkley, White-House, Ampleton, Malton. (55)

FOR sale, 10 pairs of working homers, 500-mile strain, or exchange for good cage birds, or good greyhound; no rubbish wanted, or offered: For particulars, apply to Mr. W. J. Ballinger, 113, Lower Ann-st., Llanelly, S. Wales. (61)

BOOK of Canaries, Hybrids and British, cost 25/-, not uncovered or soiled; will take 18/6, or pair good field glasses: Baker, 44, Bowthorpe-rd., Norwich. (55)

NEW single-bree-h-loading gun, best quality; exchange Canaries: Wilson, 133, York-rd., Leeds. (55)

NOTICE, fawn mole, in glass case, fit for museum, what offers wanted watch, bird catching appliance, British birds, Canaries, cycle, books, gun, poultry, pigeons, dog, or anything useful; great novelty, stuffed hare on side: John Jones, Barney, Norfolk. (56)

CLEARING out: 3 white ferrets, 3/- each; whippet terrier, thoroughly broke, 10/-; new road mat, 2/6; 6 large purse nets, 2/-; zither harp, cost 2 Christmas, 10/-; good concertina, 4/-; exchange breeding Canaries: Rogers, Canning-st., Harwich. (53)

GOOD bit black Pom. bitch, 11 inches high, two years six months, 25/-; or exchange for good bred yellow or yellow marked Norwich hen to value; no rubbish; mate the large hen; two days' approval each way: Young, 66, Northumberland-st., Sunderland. (46)

GENUINE bargains: lady's and gent.'s splendid cycles, almost new condition, free wheel, dim brakes, tyres, tubes new condition, accessories; gent.'s, 27/6, lady's, 30/-; approval or exchange; accept easy payment: Edward, 34, Clarence-st., Notts. (50)

EDISON home phonograph, 40 records, 30/-; exchange Canaries, British, or anything useful; approval: Poore, Harold-st., Smallthorne, Staffs. (46)

LADY'S cycle, good condition, £1 to clear; twenty disc records, 12/-; incubator tank, lamp, capsule thermometer, complete for making into incubator, Hearson pattern, 16 - or nearest; wanted, sectional bird room, cobby yellow hens: 95, Manchester-rd., Swindon. (49)

WHAT offers in Yorkshire hens for Palace Aviary, two single, one double, one three compartment breeders and all fittings, as new; also three cock Goldfinch Mules, father of same, and h.m. cock Linnet, grand songsters: Mrs. Steele, No. 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester. (52)

SIX Borders, all winners, one 2nd Palace, 1914; six Perfection double breeders, fitted complete; three club pattern show cages, with two cases, all bird-room accessories; prize cards sent, sell £4, or exchange anything useful; offers wanted: Wilson, 6, Beech-st., Lancaster. (54)

EDISON Standard phonograph, two reproducers, two and four inch, cost £7 7/-; sell £5; exchange for two unflighted Yorkshire cocks, perfect type, or one special yellow cock and cash; no rubbish offered or wanted; birds first; yellow preferred: Bond, Lamphey, Pembrokeshire. (50)

EXCHANGE for singing Skylark and cage, iron hand cash box, loose box for gold, silver, and copper; also for Yorkshire Roller, full song, rose-wood cabinet writing case with brass fittings and drawers, 20in. x 10in. when closed: R. Cross, Westminster-rd., Walkden, Manchester. (47)

EIGHT Roller hens, 1 cock, £1; twelve-compartment cage and accessories, 30/-; exchange fowls or gun; also 30-gallon galvanised oil tank, with brass tap and screw top, cost 35/-; sell 25/-; or exchange good Retriever dog, or anything useful: Brown, 7, St. Anns-rd., Gilfach, Bargoed, Glam. (48)

EIGHT volumes "Textile Industries," a practical guide, including preparation of fibres, spinning, doubling, designing, weaving, bleaching, printing, dying and finishing by leading experts (new), £3; exchange birds, or part cash: Gardner, 53, Garstang-rd., Wesham, Lancashire. (41)

EXCHANGE for typewriter, common fowls, Mules or foreign birds, good treadle fretwork machine, or killer. hunts thickest cover, retrieve to hand, cart or hunts thickest cover, retrieve to hand, cart or cycle, 21in. to shoulder, quiet, 2 years, or sell 30/-; dozen large cock Greenfinches 2/-: W. Yeo, 38, Iscard., Exeter. (54)

A BEAUTIFUL small Yorkshire pup, about 3 or 4lbs. weight, changing colour, sell £1; exchange two Goldies and two Yellow Norwich hens, good birds; also good brown and white hornless goat, splendid milker, had only one kid, sell £1; cost double: John Bullock, 1, Charnwood-terr., Tees Bridge, Stockton-on-Tees. (49)

CLOTHING FOR CANARIES

New clothing, boots, curtains, etc., in exchange for Canaries or Mules; state wants and offers: E. Victor, 18, Long-st., Hackney-rd., London, N.E. (47)

MACKINTOSHES, BLANKETS

WE will send good mackintosh to fit any man for six cocks or twelve hen Canaries; one pair large heavy blankets, Yorkshire woven, for three cocks or seven hens; also boots, etc., for Canaries: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (49)

SITUATIONS.

COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's bird seeds and foods, good commission: Trower, 442, Caledonian-rd., London.

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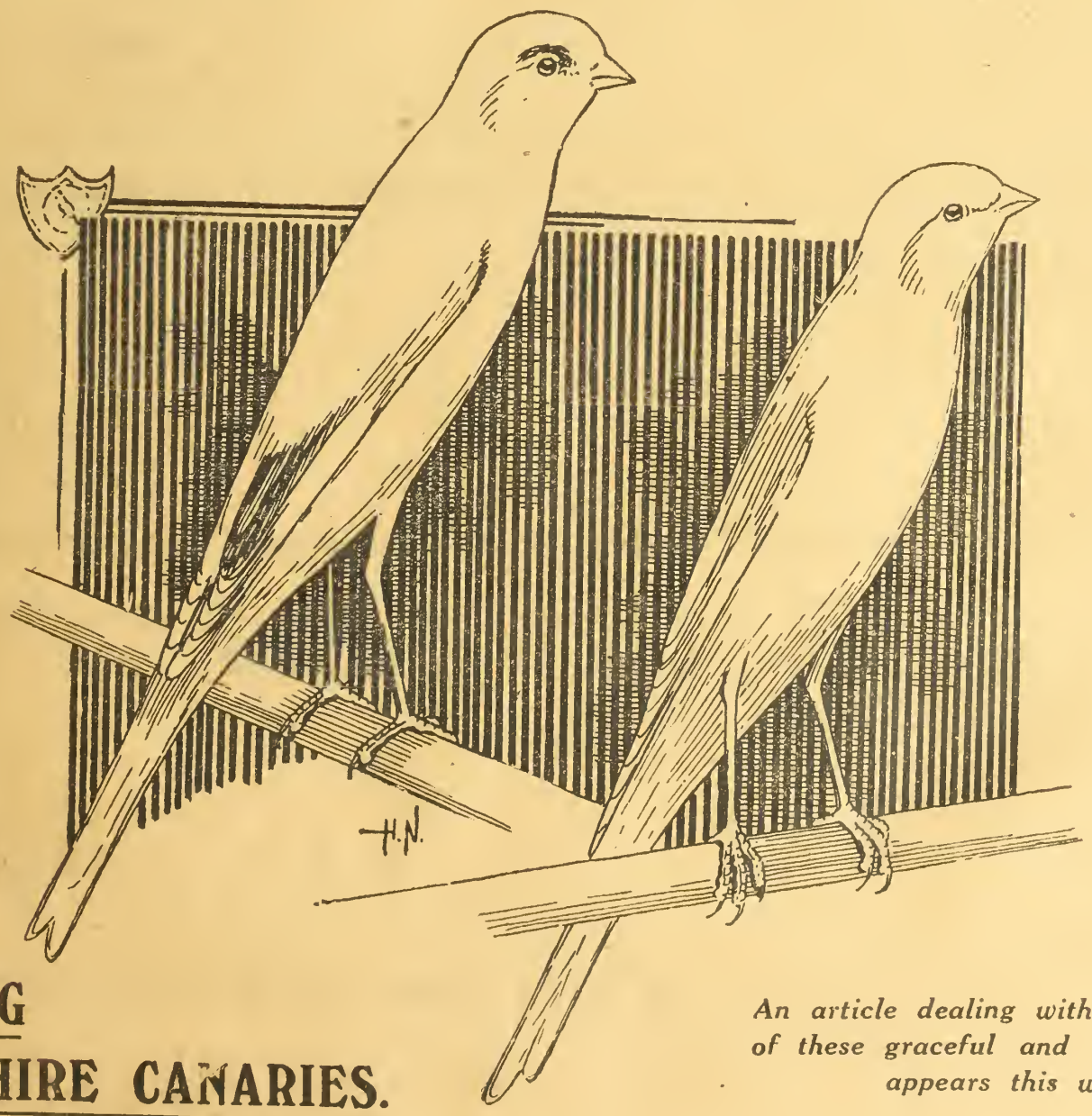

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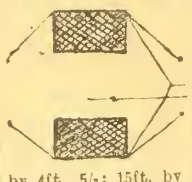

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NORWICH unflighted buff cocks, ditto hens, some fit to win; also bred buff cock, ticket every time shown; all cheap to clear; have given up the fancy: Muir, 107, Shields-rd., Glasgow. (80)

CAREFULLY bred Norwich from high-class stock, properly matched pairs, 20/-, 25/-; single cocks, yellows, 12/6, 15/-; buffs, 10/-: H. Norman, Bird Artist, Eyrie, Carshalton, Surrey. (59)

CAN spare a few yellow Norwich cocks, cheap to clear; also winning Goldfinch, Linnet, and Greenfinch; stamp for particulars: James McNeillie, 13, Market-st., Maxwelltown, Dumfries. (80)

SPLENDID Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; 1914 cold-room, clean and healthy; cash, approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester (close to Midland Station). (1982)

WE have to dispose some of the finest Norwich and Crest in the Fancy, with the largest heads and shortest tail and flights, from 9/- upwards: Symons Bros., Melbourne, Liskeard, Cornwall.

I HAVE some splendid young Norwich, natural colour and colour-fed; hens 2/-, 2/6, upwards; cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6; two monsters, 15/- each: Syd Mothersole, 20, Humberston-rd., Leicester. (76)

FOR sale, Norwich unflighted yellow and buff hens, grand type and quality, related to my winners, 10/- each; deposit, Editor; approval willingly: Kelsall, 655, Oldham-rd., Bardsley, Ashton-u-Lyne. (69)

CHOICE buff hen real model for type and quality, 30/-; immense buff cock, champion stock bird, 30/-; grand yellow hen, 15/-; better blood unobtainable; approval: S. Jones, Lydgates, Lynton, Devon. (75)

DECLINING Fancy, 4 stock birds, winning strain, 16/- each; others from 8/6; hens, Cinnamons, Greens, 5/-; others from 3/-; terms, deposit: "Annadale," Bamford-rd., Didsbury, Manchester. (49)

GOOD Norwich exhibition stock, single or pairs; unflighted cocks, yellows 15/6, buffs 12/6; unflighted yellow hens from 7/6, buff 5/6; matched pairs from 17/6; approval: Taylor, 49, Oldbury-rd., Smethwick. (71)

GRAND stock birds, 2 clear unflighted buff cocks, grand size and quality, related to my winners, one 12/6, one 15/-; foul green, songster, 7/6: Addison, Brynwhelach, Llangyfelach, Morriston, South Wales. (72)

HENS. Three 1913, large and good, ticked buff 7/6, variegated yellow 7/6, clear buff 5/-; large typical clear buff cock, 10/6; approval: some good roomy cages cheap: Clarke, Butcher, Basingstoke. (68)

GREAT sacrifice: typical thick-set colour-fed unflighted buff Norwich hen, with exceptional head, deep chest, short flight, real model all over; won several times and bred from Palace exhibit, cost £7; accept 15/-: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leyton-stone. (82)

HAVING selected own breeding pairs, find I have two lightly marked buff cocks to spare; one 2nd Leyton, 15/-; one unshown, 12/6; both unflighted; approval: Marshall, 5, Grange-rd., Leyton. (70)

MR. A. L. HAWKES, being unable to give his exhibition stock of Norwich proper attention on account of his son being away on active service, offers any or all at a great sacrifice; see other advertisements. (41)

HALF-A-DOZEN Norwich Plainhead cocks for sale, bred from my winners, grand condition, reasonable prices; approval most willingly, or inspection invited: W. Casey, 11, Elrington-rd., St. Thomas, Exeter. (83)

HAVING decided to further reduce my stock, I have for disposal a grand matched pair (unflighted), variegated yellow cock and clear buff hen, 35s.; also a few yellow cocks; approval: John Young, 76, Burn-rd., Rutherglen. (69)

A. L. HAWKES offers an exceptional deep-fed buff Norwich cock and of a remarkable size, with quality, short neck, flight, and massive head, won several bonours, accept 21/-, great sacrifice: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

HAVING selected breeding stock, can spare several unflighted buff hens and unflighted and flighted yellow cocks; moderate prices; winners and bred from winners; approval: Andrew Crawford, 14, Wilton Drive, Glasgow. (58)

HAVING to remove in March eight prize Norwich to part with, clear, yellow and buff, two variegated cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, clears and variegated, 7/6, 10/-; approval: James W. Watson, 79, Marine Approach, South Shields. (78)

A. L. HAWKES, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone, offers an exceptional rich fed, deep yellow Norwich cock, massive frame, rare head, purchased from last Palace fixture for £3 3/-, accept 15/-, full of quality and guaranteed breeder. (82)

VERY large clear buff cock, 1913, short, deep chest, fine head and neck, splendid quality, 40/-; another similar, slightly smaller, 30/-; also large unflighted yellow var. hen, rare type, good head, 20/-: George Baxter, Highfield, Fochabers, N.B.

EXHIBITION or stock. Two large typical buff cocks, 12/6, and 15/- each; 2 big unflighted yellow cocks, 15/- and 20/- each; also few grand yellow and buff hens, 3/6 to 10/- each; approval, deposit: Baker, 44, Bowthorpe-rd., Norwich. (70)

MR. A. L. HAWKES offers his noted winning rich, deep fed yellow Norwich cock, perfect gem all over, with plenty of substance, such specimen hard to find, especially yellows, accept 30/-, worth treble for stock: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

TRAVELLING case and six show cages, 12/6; case and four show cages, 8/6; also case and 2 show cages, 6/6; or would exchange the lot for good unflighted yellow or buff Norwich hen; no rubbish wanted: Wren, 57, Norreys-aven., Oxford. (74)

LARGE unflighted variegated buff cock, big head, nice colour, 12/6; 1913 clear yellow hen, red-bot colour, short wing and tail, 12/6; 1913 clear yellow hen, good head and neck, sister to Watford winner, 12/6; approval: Litchfield, Tennyson-rd., Luton. (76)

GOING cheap 12 pairs high-class Norwich, colour-fed and unflighted, good type and quality; cocks 6/6, hens 3/6 upwards; pairs 8/6 to 20/-; approval, cash or deposit with Editor; satisfaction guaranteed: Bircumshaw, Breach-rd., Marlpool Heanor, Derbyshire. (75)

CYRIL BROWN, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe, must clear his exhibition stock of Norwich, half their value, winners of 250 prizes, cups, and medals; buff cocks, 8/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6; cold-room bred; three days' approval; satisfaction guaranteed.

NORWICH for disposal; a few clear and variegated buff cocks, including unflighted buff variegated cock, 3rd at Aberdeen, open classes; also clear buff, unflighted hen; the above are useful, well-bred birds; price from 10/- upwards: E. Hendry, High-st., Fraserburgh. (65)

I AM compelled to dispose of greater part of my stock and exhibition Norwich owing to removing this March; cocks from 8/6 upwards; hens from 2/6 upwards; good yellows, buffs, greens and variegated: George Blows and Sou, Plumbers, 8, The Clyde, Ilford, Essex. (73)

W. SPRINGETT, 64, Wilson-st., Battersea, S.W.: Buff Plainhead Norwich Canaries for sale, bred from the strains of Thomas's Famous Bulldog breed and Mackley Bros', combined for two years, all bred and reared outdoors; cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/6; all sent on approval. (78)

SOME good Norwich for sale, the same strain as Ironside yellow variegated hen which he won first at Forfar, first Aberdeen, first at Scottish National, first at Elgan; buff variegated cocks, 30 unflighted buff varieg. hens, 30, the above bird was bred by: Morrice, 37, Longate, Peterhead. (77)

TWENTY years breeder; large yellow marked cock, 1913, 15/-, grand stock bird; clear buff hen to match, 7/6, or 20/- the pair; marked buff cock, 15/-, with clear yellow hen, 7/6, or 20/- the pair; six cocks, yellow and buff, on the small side, but bred from good stock, 7/6 each; approval, deposit: Wheat, Butcher, Shoeburyness. (80)

MONSTER yellow Norwich cock, 1913 bred, extra good head and neck, marvellous size, a real stock bird, price 20/-; a bargain at 50/-, with lovely unflighted good buff hen, to match, 8/6, 25/- the pair; this pair cannot fail to produce winners; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (79)

ONE of the best buff Norwich cocks living, 1913 bred, good broad head, good filled up neck, short flights and tail, immense size, and not long feathered, price 20/-, worth 50/-, with grand unflighted yellow hen to match, a real good one, 12/6, or 30/- the airto clear; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (79)

NOTICE.—Special offer; few real good large typical stock and exhibition Norwich Plainheads, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to £2 each; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to 30/- each; rare size, type, and quality of feather, including many future winners, all streng and healthy, and in perfect condition; Palace winning strain; cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (52)

MONSTER 1914 buff Norwich cock, immense size, rare type and quality, only 12/6; also smart typical 1914 yellow hen, full of quality, feathered like silk, only 7/6 or 17/6 the pair; also large typical yellow cock, rare type and quality, good size and substance, only 12/6; also monster 1914 buff hen, real model for type and quality, only 7/6 or 17/6 the pair; all are bred from big winners, rare chance for beginner; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (52)

W. McGINN, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, has 30 for sale, unflighted yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, from 10/- upwards; yellow hen, bred 1913, 25/-; one buff marked cock, bred 1913, brother to my yellow cock, winner of 12 firsts, including best Norwich at Scottish National, 1913, 30/-; clear buff cock, bred 1913, 20/-; yellow marked cock, bred 1913, 25/-; all on approval; inspection invited: 12, Airey-terr., Walker, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

To the Novice and Amateur.

If you are undecided, try any of the following trio, namely, a Cock and two Hens. Prize-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Mountain Rollers, Border Fancies, or Lizards. The three birds, 10/6, 12/6, 15/, 20/-; approval. Pairs, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6. Travelling Cages, 3d. Double Breeding Cages, fitted complete, 5/6. Single ditto, 3/-. List of all others free.—**W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.**

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OWING to removal from Whitstable I must sell a great number of my champion Norwich. Have some grand matched pairs at £1 per pair, several pairs 40/-, no higher prices; grand yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 30/-, hens 10/- to 25/-, no bounce here. The right sort, and the finest strain living; six moderate size buff hens beautiful type 5/6 each; must sell quickly; approval. Note change of address of England's premier Norwich breeder and exhibitor: Judge Silk, 27, St. Michel's-rd., Aldershot.

MR. HAWKES offers the following Norwich specimens at a great sacrifice, owing to the present crisis, and never before sold such stock less than treble the figures; unflighted yellow cock, grand size, real model, full of quality, 15/-; unflighted rich coloured buff cock, for size and type an exceptional specimen, 12/6; another buff cock, massive bird, and of exceptional merits, bred several winners, purchased out of the L.C.B.A. for £2 15/-, accept 15/-, worth £5 for stock; deep fed, rich yellow hen, won 2 firsts, 3 seconds, unflighted, grand shape and size, 15/-; unflighted, richly fed hen, very massive specimen, winner, 15/-, worth £3 3/- for stock purposes alone; several other thick-set, massive formed hens, of exceptional merits, 7/6, 10/-; cocks, 10/- each; approval anywhere: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

IMPORTANT notice; fanciers wishing to purchase champion winning high-class Norwich, colour-fed, large thick Norwich, I have my splendid stud of over 300 birds to dispose of; must be sold; rice clear yellow unflighted cocks, good heads, full necks, thick cobby birds, splendid Bullfinch type, £1 each; yell. variegated, unflig. cocks, 15/- each; large bold clear yellow, stock cocks, good heads, full necks, splendid birds, £1 each; medium size, clear or variegated, unflighted cobby, thick set, good heads, full neck, cocks, 10/- each; yellow green cock, good head, a topper, 10/-; buff green cock, good all over, cobby bird, 10/-; buff green cock, stock bird, 10/- massive large, bold, thick set, clear, buff, or variegated, buff cocks, big heads, full necks, real toppers, 15/- each; large buff stock cocks, extra large, bold, thick set, good all over, £1 each; unflighted, clear, buff, or variegated buff cocks, splendid quality, good heads, full neck, thick, cobby birds, 10/-, 7/6 each; beautiful clear yellow, thick, cobby hens, 15/- each; medium size clear yellow, sweet cobby hens, 10/- each; yellow cinnamon hen, 10/-; yellow green hen, 10/-; beautiful sweet cobby clear or variegated yellow hens, 5/-, 4/- each; large buff, clear, or variegated hens, good heads, full necks, bold fronts, splendid hens, 10/-, 7/6 each; medium size clear or variegated buffs, beautiful hens, good all over, 5/-, 4/- each; splendid typical yellow clear or variegated, but small, 3/6 each; buff clear or variegated hens, but small, 3/- each; all the above are the best blood obtainable, Bullfinch type, splendid quality of feather, and as advertised; not satisfied money returned; approval, well-known fanciers; all birds must be sold, leaving premises; fanciers call any time, see for yourselves; no bounce; apply: T. Ross, Butcher, 24½, Catherine-st., Leicester. (76)

W. RICHINSON

has some grand Norwich for sale; inspection invited: 2 Court, 1 House, Brackley-st., Pitsmoor, Sheffield. (74)

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Large typical Norwich; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury.

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Newport, Salop, breeder of Norwich twenty consecutive years, can spare several yellow cocks, grand heads, size, type, quality combined, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; one buff ditto, 12/6; exactly same blood as last year's Palace winning champion yellow, some are bred from his brother, finest and purest blood obtainable; approval. (73)

HALT! JUST HERE

Large unflighted yellow cock, fair shape, good head, neck, and cheeks, grand quality feather and colour, 25/6; buff cock, neat head and splendid shape, extra quality feather, with unflighted shapely hen, fine feather, 25/6 pair; yellow cock, excellent in quality of feather, and colour, with very deep-chested unflighted buff hen, possessing short wings and tail, and extra good head, 25/6 pair; a few unflighted yellow cocks from 10/6 each; above are all my own breeding, and in the pink of condition; if you are not satisfied you will have your money returned; all enquiries welcomed: W. Hudson, 117a, Gibbet-st., Halifax, Yorks. (62)

R. HANFORD, DERBY

offers splendid collection Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; correctly matched pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; value and satisfaction guaranteed; full list and approval; terms free.

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Johnson, Norwich and Yorkshire Specialist, winner at all leading shows; better blood unobtainable; at all leading shows; better blood unobtainable; grand specimens to spare, both varieties, at reasonable prices; inspection invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 55, George-st., Leeds. (49)

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Norwich specialist, 25 years' study, winner of many cups, etc., including Sheffield Challenge Cup (three years in succession); can spare few grand specimens, true type, A1 quality and colour, plenty of substance and correct carriage; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; several extra good pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

G. F. CRAWFORD

Hens for sale, yellow cocks and hens, also a few buffs; state wants: 217, Rotherhithe New-rd., S.E. (83)

CLEARING OUT

all my noted Norwich, but three pairs, owing to change of residence; buff cocks, good size, grand heads, 10/- upwards; buff hens, beauties, 10/- to 20/-; approval: Rev. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland.

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

has a big variety of Norwich, yellow and buff cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; also some grand yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; upwards; week's approval; deposit: Apply, 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (70)

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Not a dealer; winner of Crystal Palace diploma and silver medal, Horticultural Hall diploma, silver rose bowl, and gold medals, etc.; a few yellows and buff cocks, same strain as my Palace winner, cheap: N. Leese, 30, Alexandra-rd., Normacot, Staffs.

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Direct from last few year's Crystal Palace strains, have proofs; yellows or buff cocks 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/- to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London.

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See reports of Welsh National, Scottish National, L.C.B.A., Watford, Reading, Woolstone, etc. I have same grand birds for disposal, including 3rd prize clear yellow Welsh National, and many others. Matched Pairs that will breed winners, from **20/-** to **80/-**; also some good hens, yellow and buff, from **7/6** to **40/-**. All birds on approval.—**C. W. SILK, Glen Rosa, Emsworth.** (81)

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Winner of 3 Diplomas, Gold Medals, and over 1,500 Prizes won at Crystal Palace, Scottish National, Manchester, etc., etc. I have bred and supplied birds which have won at Manchester, Liverpool, Halifax, etc., this year, and have still large stock left to select from, related to my well-known winners. Prices reasonable; inspection invited; approval willingly.—**3a, Percival St., Hightown, Manchester.**

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G. T. Jones, the noted Welsh Exhibitor, has few choice Birds for sale, including pairs and odd Hens. See this season's results, the latest being two 1sts at the Welsh National. **Note.—No Fancy Prices.**—Write to **ARFON AVIARIES, BRECON, WALES.** 'Phone: P.O. 76.

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ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's). 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

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KOLLER strain hens, club rung, 3/6 each, 12/- four: Arnold, 48, Meads-lane, Seven Kings. (33)

ROLLER cocks in song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (75)

SALE, exchange 5 Roller cocks,, ducks, organ, cages, etc.: Boot Stores, Ashton-rd., Blackpool.(68)

MR. P. E. INNES, Estate Factor, Largs, Ayrshire, offers a few superior Roller cocks, 12/6, 15/-; letters only. (48)

I CAN spare a couple of pairs of Seifert Rollers in pink of condition, 15/- pair: Walker, Lambert-ter., Aberdare. (77)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room: Aston, Reindeer, Worcester (80)

1914 COLD-ROOM bred grand Roller songsters, colour-fed, 6/- to 10/6; hens, 2/-: Black, 3, Westbourne-ter., Hove. (73)

PURE Roller cocks, full song, none better, prices 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; hens, 2/6: John Bennett, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (20)

ROLLERS, Fould's strain, 1914 club rung, cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/- each: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (50)

TWO 1914 Seifert cocks, 7/6 each; 12 1913 and 1911 Seifert hens, 2/6 each, or offers lot: Fiddler, 26, Thornton-st., Preston. (71)

HIGH-CLASS B.R.C.C. Rollers, must sell, owner Mr. Press, on active service, enquire: Earnshaw, 51, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (77)

PURE Seifert Rollers, own breeding, cocks in full song, 7/6; hens 2/6; condition perfect: Shepherd-Smith, Colwall, Malvern. (73)

HENS, hens, hens.—Walton's champion Glucke, Water Glucke strain, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6: Walton 6, Cross Green-cres., Leeds.

GLUCKE and Water Glucke hens, B.R.C.C. rung, 3/6 each (cocks all sold); approval: Mawhood, 26, Walton-lane, Nelson, Lancs. (69)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke strain; four hens 4/6 each, B.R.C.C. rung, cold room bred: G. Seedhams, 63, Field-st., Bradley, Bilston. (68)

PURE Water Glucke Rollers, cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 3/6, 4/6; approval, deposit: N. Clonting, 27, Somers-rd., Brixton Hill, S.W. (29)

LOVELY singing Roller cock and 2 hens, 1914; own breeding; perfect condition, 10/6; approval: Beach, Monmow-st., Monmouth. (69)

1914 Glucke Roller hens; father cost £4 10s; big winner contests, 4/-, 5/- each; approval: Harry Smith, Connah's Quay, Chester. (82)

RANDALL'S deep Glucke 1914 Roller cocks, 7/6 upwards; hens, 2/- each; approval, cash or deposit: Bay 82, Bridge-st., Northampton. (82)

BREEDER, Glucke and Waterglucke Roller cocks from 10/6 upwards, hens from 3/6; approval: John Wyre, Colley-lane, Cradley, Staffs. (77)

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FREE delivery, contest-trained cock, 14/2: Schoolmaster, 10/-; fine cocks, 6/-: Miss Jackson, Cowhill, Rutland-rd., Harrogate, Yorkshire. (77)

HIGH class Rollers, Foulds' strain, cocks 6/-, hens 2/-, worth double; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (24)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, full song; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

BARGAINS, deep Glucke Rollers, wining strain; cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 3/6; approval: Parker, 16, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (72)

TWO pure-bred Water Glucke hens, 3/- each; exchange house-moulted Goldfinch cock; yours first: Barber, Westgate, Southwell, Notts. (70)

THREE Glucke Roller hens, two B4 rung, Christy's champion strain, 9/-, or exchange for fine Glucke Roller: 5, Water Heys-terr., Wigan. (71)

ROLLER cocks, warranted, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, three 5/-; satisfaction guaranteed; cash orders: Holland, 20, Goldsmith-rd., Peckham. (77)

RANDALL'S Glucke and Water Glucke direct, two pairs at 15/-, two pairs at 17/6, bred from winners; approval deposit: Hayward, Melksham. (70)

HIGH class cock Canaries, also six Mules, all on full song, 7/6 each, 33/- for six; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (69)

I CAN now spare a few good stock cocks, all B.R.C.C. rung 1914; cheap to clear; 7/6, 8/6, hens 4/- each: Roe, 59, Sedgwick-st., Preston. (73)

GENUINE Seifert hens, 3/6 each, 3 for 10/-; only few left; satisfaction guaranteed; exchange: Gambling, 38, Church-st., Bilston, Staffs. (69)

SIX Roller hens, B.R.C.C. rung pure Randall's, 3/- each; no better blood obtainable; approval, deposit: Edgerley, Francis-st., Monton, Manchester. (74)

GRAND Seifert Rollers, Randall's strain, lovely songsters, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6; cold-room bred; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (36)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, lovely rolls, few cocks left, 8/6, 10/6; hens, same strain, 2/-; room wanted: Wakefield, 42, Hurdsfield-rd., Macclesfield. (76)

CHAMPION Rollers. Pure Randall's B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, full song, from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (69)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 4/-; 7 days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (33)

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ROLLERS, hens, 18/- dozen, two for 3/6; also I have very fine lot of cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; full week's approval: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (53)

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GLUCKE and Water-Glucke Rollers for sale, the same as my winners at all the leading shows last year; cocks 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens 5/-: Best, 5, Almaplace, Beckett-st., Leeds. (79)

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HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Randall's Glucke and Water-Glucke direct, winners cups, gold, silver and bronze medals; cocks from 15/-; hens 4/6, to clear; B.R.C.C. rung; exchange: Rhodes, 49, James-st., Bilston. (30)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, bred from winners of over 40 prizes, B.R.C.C. rung; 1914 cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 1913 4/6, 1914 5/6; seven days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Gt. Harwood. (19)

HIGH CLASS 1914 deep Glucke cocks, Randall's, Percival's and Chilcott's combined strains, carefully bred and trained; price, 10/-, 12/6, and 15/- each; hens, 3/6 each; approval, deposit: Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell. (78)

HIGH CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

W. H. MORRIS, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham, winner at Leeds, Manchester, Wakefield, Wolverhampton, and Birmingham, 1913 and 1914 contests, has for sale cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- each; Glucke and Waterglucke strain: approval willingly. (1905)

ROLLERS, B4 rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 5/- each; matched pairs, 15/-; contest singers, 28 points Manchester, 25/-; 20 points Bacup, 20/-; 18 points Manchester, 18/-; 7 days approval; deposit with Editor: Smith, 11, Disley-st., Sudden, Rochdale. (74)

ALL wins this season, first, cup, he, c, Rossendale; extra, first, special Bolton, ex. 4, vhc, Manchester; vhc, Birmingham. Some of the above winners and brothers to same, Glucks strain, 25/-, 30/-, best strain in the country; Wantling, 32, Co-operation-st., Bacup, Manchester. (71)

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BRITISH-BRED Rollers; pure Seiferts, Randall's glucke and water glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; hardwood cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/- each; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6, illustrated catalogue free. Welsh Bird Specialist, Blackburn.

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BRITISH bred Rollers, Fisher's strain direct, fourteen cocks, including prize winners, numerous medals, and diplomas, 10/6 upwards each; twenty splendid hens, 4/- each, all B.R.C.C. rung; also twelve well-made breeding cages, twenty-four wire training cages, cabinet to hold ten cages, four show cages, one travelling basket to hold three cages, two travelling boxes to hold two cages, thirty nest pans, and all other sundries too numerous to mention, cheap: Andrew M. Firth, Highfield House, The Lanes, Pudsey.

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YOUNG buff Scotch Fancy cock, good, cheap: Wilson, 246, Allison-st., Glasgow. (81)

FOR sale, five buff piebald cocks, wanted yellow hen: Wm. Wallace, Cabbagehall, Leslie, Fife. (49)

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, all colours, cocks and hens; young, approval: Charles M'Lean, 57, New rd., Ayr. (70)

FOR sale, cocks and hens, yellows and buffs, from 15/- to 30/-: Thomson, 15, Station-rd., Craigmillar, Midlothian. (79)

BUFF cock, yellow pied cock, cheap; approval: seen an ytime: Hamilton, 44, Keppock-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (74)

THREE buff pied and yellow hens from my well-known strain, also feeders: Mellwain, School Mount, Florida, Glasgow. (31)

THREE buff hens, 2 buff pied hens, cheap to clear; or exchange Norwich cocks; address: Neil O'Donnell, 21, Well-st., Paisley. (51)

SCOTCH Fancy; one buff green cock, two buff piebald hens, two buff green hens, young: George Simpson, 73, Alma-st., Falkirk. (67)

SCOTCH Fancies, buff and yellow piebald hens, 20/- each; buff foul cock, 4th only time out, 40/-; Renwick, 126, Ingleby Drive, Glasgow. (83)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, buff piebald hens, clear yellow hens, clear buff cock, buff piebald cocks, young birds: James Little, 25, Gem-st., Paisley.

1914 FIRST cross yellow cock, grand top and shoulders, 30/-; also 1914 first cross buff cock, good stock bird, 20/-; or exchange both for good buff hen; approval: Powell, 79, Seedhill-rd., Paisley (Cay

ONE buff pied cock 15/-, one yellow green cock, one yellow pied cock, one buff hen, young, 25/- each; also one pair matched; three buff and one yellow Border cocks, correct type and quality, 7/6 each: Phillips, 18, Westendpark-st., Back, Glasgow. (77)

Yorkshires.

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E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all: approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Selater-st., Shoreditch

GRAND Yorkshire cock, with cage, 10/-; cash or deposit: H. Lucking, Dunmow, Essex. (68)

BUFF Yorkshire cock, yellow hen, clears, pair 17/6, only pair left: Jeffrey, 6, Hillhouse-rd., Rothesay.

YORKSHIRES, six cocks, 7/6; six hens, 3/6; cold-room bred and kept; offer lot: Pond, Colnbrook, Bucks. (71)

FEW first-class Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, cold-room bred; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting. (60)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

REAL good lot of prize Yorkshires for sale, cocks or hens, from 5/-; approval: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (76)

DEALERS supplied with good large colour-fed Yorks.: Writo Rooley Aviaries, 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford.

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires; cocks 7/6, hens 3/-; yellows or buffs, 1914: W. Shaw, 189, Oldham-rd., Failsworth. (79)

GOOD Yorkshires, cocks 7/6, hens 2/6; splendid value; approval, deposit: Smith, 128, Blackman-lane, Leeds. (72)

YORKSHIRES, buff marked cock, clear yellow hen, from winners, 11/-: George West, Town End, Eyam, via Sheffield. (77)

THREE good leggy 1914 yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 3/- each; hens, 5/-: The Acacias, Urmston Park, Urmston. (77)

YORKSHIRES, prize bred, only want seeing, cocks from 7/6, hens 3/-: Draper, 47, Palmerston-st., Battersea, London. (76)

SEVERAL good Yorkshire Canaries for sale cheap, singly or pairs, hardy, cold room bred: 13, Tarbert rd., E. Dulwich. (65)

MIDLANDERS note; Mr. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester, has a few nice buff hens and yellow cocks to spare, cheap. (66)

TWO pairs prize-bred Yorkshires, 10/- per pair; cocks from 7/6; hens, 3/6; Young, 49a, Palace Gardens, Enfield. (68)

YORKSHIRES; 7 cocks, 5/ each, or what offers for lot; cash or deposit: Fred Blackburn, Brompton, Northallerton. (69)

GRAND variegated buff cock, first East Ham, 12/6; good buff cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/-: Thomas, 20, Stevenage-rd., East Ham. (54)

THREE unflighted hens, clears, 2 yellow, 1 buff, 3/- each, from good feeders; approval: Foote, 8, Tanyard, Shaftesbury. (69)

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SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager.

England.

Oct. 12-13.—**Plymouth W.C.O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)

Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.

Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).

Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.** (L. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.

Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.

Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.

Nov. 19-20.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., H.W.B.

Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 7, Mogdaunt Rd., The Avenue, Southampton.)

Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N., A.S., H.J.W.

JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.

THOS. BENNETT, Judge of Cage Birds; life experience; terms moderate: 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford.

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G. HOBBS, 35, Queen's Road, Northampton, having retired from business, can judge Canaries and cage birds. 40 years breeder and exhibitor. Terms moderate.

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J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester, Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.

C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.

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Pair Show, Queen's Hall, Tuesday, Feb. 16. Judge, J. Robson. Open 6 p.m. Admission 3d. (including catalogue).

Notice—The London & Counties A.C.B.

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Twitterings.

We hear that Mr. A. E. Moule is to judge Abersychan Members' Show on Feb. 13.

Schedules of Bathgate Show have been posted, writes Mr. A. Nicol (Sec., 46, High st.); will any fanciers overlooked please apply for one.

London and P.O.S. Pair show at "The Raglan Hotel," Aldersgate Street, on Thurs., Feb. 18. Open free to all at 7.30 p.m.—(Advt.)

The address of the Sec. of the Morley and Dis. C.B.S., Mr. J. W. Mitchell, is 14, Pawson-st., Morley (not Pairson-st., as given in our last issue).

Allow me to thank through CAGE BIRDS, writes Mrs. W. Lowne (Yarmouth), the many kind friends for the sympathy shown to me in my recent bereavement.

The pair show of the Wimbledon C.B.S. is due next Tuesday (Feb. 16) in the Queen's Hall, Wimbledon. It opens at 6 p.m., and the officials hope to see a good gathering of visitors.

The annual open show of the Watford C.B.S., is fixed for Dec. 8 and 9, at the Halsey Hall Conservative Club, Watford. The judges appointed are Messrs. H. Norman, F. Easterling, A. Silver, and H. J. Watts.

OBITUARY.

Mr. GEO. GARLAND (Bristol).

The Fancy has sustained a real and severe loss by the death of Mr. George Garland, who passed away at his residence, "Eastview," Soundwell Road, Bristol, on Sunday, Jan. 31, after an illness of nine weeks' duration, writes Mr. J. A. Greenslade, hon. sec., Eastville Open F.S. Mr. and Mrs. Garland were familiar visitors and supporters of the shows and meetings of every Society in the district, both being true and ardent fanciers, and successful breeders and exhibitors of the Yorkshire Canary for many years. He was one of nature's gentlemen, quiet and unassuming, and ever ready to help and instruct novices in the cult of their favourite variety, of which he had a profound and practical knowledge. Mrs. Garland has lost in him a loving comrade, and her sons a generous father. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to them in their great and sad bereavement. The funeral took place on Feb. 7, at Downend Church.

Mr. W. J. Norman, sec. Bristol East C.B.S., also sends a sympathetic letter announcing Mr. Garland's death, and says that Mrs. Garland, being a member of the society, is retaining a few of her late husband's birds. At the funeral many of the members of the Bristol East, Eastville, and Kingswood societies, and other Bristol fanciers, paid their last respects to their deceased friend.

MR. W. AUCHTERLONY (Dundee).

I regret to inform you that one of our old Dundee fanciers, Mr. W. Auchterlony (better known as "Willie Loney) has passed away at a good old age, writes Mr. R. Whitton. He was a genuine honest fancier. Scotch Fancies were his favourites, although he was successful at times with other varieties, viz., Mules, he being among the first to breed the Canary-Bullfinch cross. A specimen of this cross bred by him changed hands at the Crystal Palace for a large sum. He was a master hand at cage making, and "Loney's" cages became a household word in and around this district. Auld Willie will be missed in the circle of old Scotch Fancy breeders, and many friends mourn his passing away.

I am very pleased to inform the members of the B.F.C.C., writes Mr. W. B. Smart, Sec., that Mr. Thos. Arnot, of Hawick, is now making very good progress after his operation in Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, and thinks he will be allowed to go home in a very short time. I am sure fanciers will join me in wishing him many years of good health.

Mr. A. G. Cant (late sec. of Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.) writes asking members and friends to carefully watch the Club and Society Notices Column for announcements of the various meetings of the society. This column, he adds, is most useful to secretaries, and should always be consulted by readers, as valuable meetings and lectures may be thus missed.

Warrington C.B.S. is holding its members' show Feb. 13 at the Blue Bell Sale Rooms, and Portsmouth and S. Counties O.S. Feb. 17 at the usual place.

Glasgow and district fanciers are to hold a grand smoking concert in the "Bank" Restaurant, Queen Street, Glasgow, on the 19th, writes Mr. J. F. Park, President Glasgow C.B.A. A splendid musical programme is being arranged. A presentation is to be made to that popular fancier, Mr. Wm. Hutchison. The management hope to see a large gathering of fanciers and friends.

Mr. A. W. Newton, Sec., writes that Openshaw Gorton C.B.S. is putting up for competition to be won outright, a splendid trophy, with a good prize for the runner up, to be competed for by either amateur or novice members, with four starred birds at all shows during the coming season. Besides this there will be the usual medals and prizes. Anyone wishing to join the society can get particulars from the Sec., whose address is 165, Ashton Old Road, Ardwick, Manchester.

Roller Canary Items.

I enclose schedule of the British Roller C.C. show, writes Mr. J. W. Norris, the sec.; in the six classes there are 58 specials, and more to follow in the catalogue. I have received a letter from one of our members, Mr. J. Aspinall (Balham), written at Boulogne, which states that he has been doing Red Cross work in France since Aug. 16, and has seen some very grievous sights. He has seen in CAGE BIRDS that the International show will take place, and though he will not be able to be present, much to his regret, he will enter his birds, 7 in number, so as to help the show along. I think you will agree that such pluck deserves to be rewarded, and all Roller fanciers will join with me in wishing that his birds may catch the judges ear and score a 1st prize for him.

WHERE BUSINESS IS AS USUAL.

"I have had so many replies for my Lancashire Coppy hen I advertised that I do not think I can answer them all."—G. BROOKS (Dorchester).

"Owing to the great success attending my advt. re Rollers in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, I am unable to reply to all the answers I have received. Will you kindly state that I have completed the business?"—A. RICHARDSON (Coventry).

"It may interest you to know I got upwards of 20 replies to previous small advertisement re Mule and Cock Goldfinch. I had a reply from a gentleman at Brighton on the Saturday morning, and had made the exchange the following Tuesday."—HOOD (East Harling, Norfolk).

"I received 30 letters for the Goldfinch Bullfinch Hybrid I advertised in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, and 24 for the gun I cannot answer them all."—JOSEPH POTTER (Bideford).

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IMPRESSIONS OF THE WELSH NATIONAL SHOW.

BY H. NORMAN.

One hardly knows how to express in words one's admiration for the excellent arrangement of the First Annual show of the Welsh National, C.B.S. In a spacious oak-panelled hall, lighted by windows down one side and a glass dome in the roof, are gathered together over a thousand birds, and arranged in a truly artistic manner. Bare long lines of staging were missing, and in their place, at intervals, were cross sections, and on all these were tastefully arranged flowers and plants, so that one was unable to take in the full extent of the show at a glance and came upon surprises at every corner, reminding one of a well arranged garden where fresh beauties await one at every turn. The Welsh National was a distinct advance in the effort to make our shows more attractive to the outside public, a feature that should not be lost sight of by other societies.

He Could Not Keep Away!

It is several years now since we visited a bird show at Cardiff, and at that time the chairman, Mr. E. J. Banks, was a keen exhibitor in the Yorkshire section. He has not altered much in the interval, and is just as bright as smiling and happy looking as ever; his waistcoat is possibly a little more expansive, but that comes to most of us in time. Although he was quite alive to the advantages of personal supervision in all parts of the hall, we noticed in slack moments his interest was still centred in the birds of position, and we heard it hinted that in the near future he will once more enter the lists as a competitor.

The Committee were not disappointed at the entry, although they did think the London men might have assisted them more; they received birds from Ayr, Midlothian, and other places in Scotland, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Harrogate, and other far away places where the journey must have been far more trying to the birds than a straight three hours run from London.

Undoubtedly the excellent innovation of giving the times of train service from all parts assisted the entry, another idea that might with advantage be copied. We were quite pleased with the fine gate, the hall at times being well-filled with visitors from all parts. Among them we met Mr. Greenwood, of Greenwood and Burson, from Swindon, who ran down to see what sort of Crests and Crest-breds the West Country had to show. It was his first visit to a show this season, his time being fully occupied in the making of materials for the War Office. In chat with him we learnt that he and his partner had had an excellent season, but unlike the generality of breeders had bred far more cocks than hens, and although the stock was of all-round excellence, we could not hear of anything to equal their old Palace champion.

The Lure of the Fancy.

It is strange how the Fancy clings to people after they have not a feather of any kind in the house. We ran against several who at one time were keen exhibitors; these members of the old school still attend the shows and disenss the merits of the birds with their old enthusiasm; among these one-time devotees was Mr. Harber, of Merthyr, scarcely changed since we last met; the only difference we saw in him was when he removed his hat, then we noticed the "place where it used to grow." Dogs claimed his attention for a time, but now the old love is once more to the fore, and he is on the look out for suitable stock to re-commence with, and, like a wise man, is determined to have the right material, if procurable.

It is astonishing what a lot of people one meets on the look out for birds of a certain class, but unfortunately these are just the ones the breeders cannot afford to part with. During the show we heard several offers for excellent birds and some without a card, but no business was done; the owners failed to rise to the tempting bait. These offers were mostly in the Norwich sections, and good birds of this variety appear to us to be more in demand than ever.

Writing of birds changing hands we noticed Mr. Houghton's L.C.B.A. winner on show in another name, and we heard it had been secured at a good figure, but "mum's the word." The bird looked well, but scarcely so bulky as formerly. Possibly he is coming into condition and is a bit too forward for exhibition purposes; we sincerely hope his plucky purchaser will do well with him.

During the Saturday of the show the discussion waxed hot and strong over the exhibits in the heavily marked class; this is one that generally affords matter for discussion; someone is sure not to see eye to eye with the owners of some of the birds. The markings on birds cannot be measured with compass or rule, and these little differences are bound to arise, but then, after all, they are welcome. A good discussion without loss of temper is good for the bystanders, and many little wrinkles are added to one's store of knowledge in this way.

Of all the plucky exhibitors at the show we think Mr. A. M. Gardner, of Newton Grange, Midlothian, deserves the medal he didn't get; he not only sent a team of Norwich to the show, but journeyed down to see how they do things in South Wales. His share of the plums was not particularly great, although he has a couple of lovely unflighted hens standing second and fourth that many fanciers could do with.

Perhaps for levelness in type throughout the show the Borders headed the list. Even old fanciers in other sections failed to discriminate between them: "They are as like as two peas." We must say the men of the south made a grand display; they appear now to be able to grasp the importance of type, and some of them those other important factors, quality and condition. We could easily have selected birds in almost every class, however, that might have been among the leaders had they been put down in the best possible condition.

On Equal Terms, Now.

The West Country fanciers are particularly keen over the merits of their birds, and we noticed considerable discussion going on between such fine exhibitors as Messrs. Pratt, Madagan, Jenkins and others. The Borders in the south have advanced enormously, and are now well able to hold their own with the clears and marked birds, but the North Country exhibitors still take the lead in Greens and Cinnamons. At present these are not particularly popular, but will no doubt take on in time.

The great disappointment of the show was the paucity of entries in the Foreign section. One would have thought the patronage of the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League would have ensured a good show, but with 10 classes provided and a specialist judge only 17 birds were on view. What was the cause? The hall was all that could be desired, and the show a big one. These 17 birds were sent in by four exhibitors, one of them, Mr. Howe, of Wellingborough, and another Mr. Chadwick, of Bridlington, in Yorkshire. Evidently the distance had no terrors for these plucky exhibitors.

The Hybrid and British bird sections were particularly interesting. Welshmen are exceptionally keen upon these, and little knots of visitors waxed quite eloquent (and a Welshman can) on the merits of some of them. Strangely enough, it was the field-moulted birds that caused the most discussion. Of course, as everybody knows, these birds are difficult to handle, and many a winner has been passed because of his flightiness.

Mr. Parlett's "White Rose" was there, but the rose had lost a lot of her bloom and freshness. Evidently she needs a rest, although she was blithely singing when the sun shone, her Bullfinch-Canary-Greenfinch song. What a pity she cannot talk!

By what we gleaned the Welsh National is to be a great annual event; and why not? The society have the right men to run it and the right hall, and Cardiff is an excellent centre for a big show. If they can make a success of the show in what one might term an off year, and they did, surely they can do so when peace once more reigns over the land?

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A TRIUMPH FOR THE FANCIERS OF WALES.

THE FIRST WELSH NATIONAL SHOW IS BROUGHT TO A SPLENDIDLY SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION.

THE first Great Welsh National Show was held at Cardiff on February 5, 6, and 8. "Stick it the Welsh," the dying command of a brave Welshman, will go down in history, and we venture to think that at the coming of age show in 1929 the President (let us hope it will still be Mr. E. J. Banks) will recall with pride how Welsh fanciers small in number but large in heart "stuck it" against most tremendous odds to make the first Welsh National the success it undoubtedly was. All things considered, the entry, just over 1,100, was very gratifying. Scottish fanciers generously supported the show, as also did the provincial fanciers, but the society really expected better support from the Londoners, and we are sure it only wants bringing to their notice for them to see that no complaint can be made as to their laxity on a future occasion. The hall is admirably adapted for a show, being not only lighted from the sides, but also from the roof, giving a perfect light for judging in every part, and at night being electrically lit. The exhibits were neatly staged two tiers high, the whole of the staging being neatly covered with dark-blue cloth, whilst here and there beautiful palms and ferns were tastefully arranged, and the hall itself was splendidly decorated with bunting. The society feel deeply grateful to Mr. H. P. Dymond for the decoration of the hall; also to Mr. D. Raymond and his assistant for the excellent staging; and to Mr. S. Tresider for the plants and shrubs.

Everything was arranged perfectly, the exhibits being all staged, carefully tended, and the judges at their work early. When one considers that the Welsh National was suggested less than three months ago it is evident that these few fanciers have worked with a will. First and foremost comes Mr. E. J. Banks, the genial president, who, although not now an exhibitor, owing to pressure of business, still has his heart in the Fancy, and to whom the inception of the society is due. He has left no stone unturned to obtain success, and we are sure, judging by his happy smile whilst receiving the congratulations of a host of fanciers on the opening day, he feels amply repaid.

The Man at the Helm.

No more popular show manager than Mr. Will Sampson would it be possible to obtain. He is a veritable Lord Kitchener for the position. Quiet, unassuming and courteous to a degree, lucky indeed is the society that can command his services. With him at the helm it was no wonder that everything passed off without a hitch. We must not forget to mention the valuable help given him on behalf of the society by his estimable better half, Mrs. Sampson, who at home cheerfully aided in the tedious writing of long addresses and on show day presided at the ticket office, and saw to it that nobody paid twice.

For his lieutenant he had on judging day Mr. S. F. Whetton, such a glutton for work that he even kept the camera man waiting whilst he was persuaded to come and take his place amongst the officials to be photographed, and we believe it was only the pangs of hunger that made him vacate his chair to take luncheon. The hon. sec., Mr. E. Thomas, is "one of the best," and did everything possible in his department to ensure success. The stewards worked with a will, as also did the members of the Cardiff Society, and amongst others we noticed Messrs. E. J. Davies, Alf. Shellam, P. Brailli, H. H. Mortimer, J. H. Pearce, E. Thorn; and D. Raymond ably carrying out their respective duties. The committee, Messrs. E. J. Davies (Llandaff), G. T. Jones (Brecon), D. Thomas (Treorchy), W. T. Couch (Abersychan), H. H. Mortimer (Abertillery) and D. A. S. Longden (Swansea) have all rendered most valuable service.

Unfortunately, the society had to cancel some entries, and we are sure fanciers will quite understand that the financial position of so young a society would not allow of any risks being taken. We hear that it is the intention of the committee to present to each of these exhibitors a souvenir of the show as an acknowledgment of their appreciation and regret. Fanciers will also be pleased to know that although the Clerk of the Weather did not smile on the opening day quite £30 worth of tickets had been disposed of, and a nice little company braved the elements; the committee have great hopes of handing over a respectable sum to the Prince of Wales' Fund.

The Lord Mayor of Cardiff visited the show officially, and expressed his delight at the arrangements; he was much pleased with the beautiful condition of the exhibits. Amongst well-known fanciers present we noticed Messrs. Gardiner, all the way from bonnie Scotland, Knight (London), Harber (Merthyr), Davies (Aberaman), Jeffreys (Swansea) and Wm. Sampson, senr., one of the old school of Sampson and Exton fame, who, although well past three-score years and ten, still delights to have a look at "a real good 'un." The judges, Messrs. H. C. Smith (Yorks), E.-W. Allsopp (Norf.), D. Jenkins (Borders), J. R. Leech (Lizards), J. Robson (Cresls, Cinn. and Foreign), D. A. S. Longden (Hyb. and Brit.), and W. F. Lloyd James (Brit.), carried out their duties well, and very little grumbling was heard, which is a great credit considering that some of them were officiating for the first time at a show of such magnitude.

THE YORKSHIRE CANARIES.

Judge, Mr. H. C. Smith.

The Yorkshire section was a big feature of the show. The entry in all classes was excellent, the novice yell. ck. class leading with 22 entries. The exhibits were of unusual merit throughout, two sets of winners being easily obtainable in most classes. Yellow cocks were excellent, Mr. L. Dykes being successful in heading the two old classes and both the unflighted yellow classes, a really notable performance. Buff cocks were a very fine lot; buff hens were also a very level lot. The novices were well to the fore, and, indeed, in many classes the leaders would have all ruled the awards had they been staged in the champion section. A notable performance was put up by Mr. W. Hamlyn, Harrogate, who with four exhibits headed the yell. cock, buff cock, yell. hen and unflighted hen classes.

CL., ETC., YELL. (12): 1, Dykes, beautiful texture of feather, grand length, well up on leg, perfect carr.; 2, Mr. and Mrs. Weeks, lovely length, grand col., hardly the qual. of leaders; 3, Dyson, nicely rounded head, well filled back, correct wings and tail, trifle loose at thighs, his only fault; 4, Crawhall, lovely length, well up on leg, inclined to cross wings at times, and could do with a tubbing; 5, Ogden Bros.; 6, Towers; 7, Thomson. BUFF (15): 1, Dyson, grand type and qual., fine length, nice leg, beautifully mealed; 2, Ogden Bros., close up, perfect length, good head, neck, well filled back, trifle loose at thighs; 3, Dykes, beautiful qual., lovely length, well up on leg, nice pos.; 4, Heggie, correct type, perfect cond., nice leg, hardly as good pos.; 5, Boundy and son; 6, Thomson; 7, James and Sons. UKD., ETC., YELL. (31): 1, Dykes, eye and wing tkd., neatly rounded head, grand col. and qual., good straight back, correct wings and tail; 2, Dyson, grizzle head, mkd. yell. sup rb qual., nicely drawn, stands well, trifle paler in col.; 3, 4, Heggie, variegs. yell., a natural tone of col., good wings, tail, and pos., nice length, 4 tkd., beautiful col., neat head, well mkd back, correct wings and tail, hardly length of leaders; 5, Warton; 6, Dugmore; 7, Towers. BUFF (15): 1, Ogden Bros., grizzle, head mkd., a real gem, nicely rounded head, grand length, correct type, stands well; 2, Dykes, check and wing mkd., good head and neck, well filled back, best of wings and tail, hardly as nervy; 3, Watkins, grizzle head mkd., nice length and type, well on leg, wanted a wash; 4, Thomas, lightly variegs., perfect length and qual., good nerve, well on leg, crosses wings a trifle at times; 5, Watkins; 6, Curtis and Son; 7, Bales; No. 12, Dykes, had injured right leg, hard lines, a good one. VARIEG. (9): 1, Harvey, cinn. yell., lovely col., nicely balanced, grand length, quickly claimed at 20s., and a cheap bird; 2, Pritchard, buff, slim type, tightly braced wings, grand qual. and cond.; 3, Curtis and Son, ken-red yell., good size, nice pos. and style, good length; 4, Thomson, yell., nice type, well-balanced and moulded, neat head, back, and wings. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Ogden Bros., cinn. mkd. yell., good length of wing, nicely braced, capital pos., well moulded throughout, good col. and qual.; 2, Ashman, cl., lovely col. and qual., nice length and style, hardly as well filled in, grand shoulders and style, nice legs; 3, Dykes, cl., grand length, well braced wings, of good length, capital pos., clean cut, lovely col. and qual.; 4, Towers, head and wing mkd., good length, nice pos. and style, clean cut, well filled back; 5, Thomson; 6, Pritchard; 7, Bale. BUFF (13): 1, 3, Heggie, clrs., a gem, lovely length, nicely filled in, well cut away, good length, nice pos., in perfect order, 3 capital type, nicely moulded, well braced, beautiful feather; 2, Dykes, cl., best of qual., well moulded, lovely length of wing, grand head and shoulders, full of nerve, close up; 4, Thomas, hardly length, A1 cond., neat head and neck, well filled back, best of wings, good style; 5, no name; 6, Dyson; 7, Watkins. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (17): 1, 4, Dykes, lightly variegs. leading, wonderful length, nicely filled in, well cut away, capital pos., neat head, shoulders, and wings, 4 cl., gem, beautifully moulded, grand wings, lovely length, good, straight back, in perfect order; 2, Bale, cl., lovely col., perhaps hardly the length of winner, but tightly packed, nicely cut away to a good tail, capital head and shoulders, nice leg; 3, Dyson, neck and wing mkd., a shade paler, good pos. and style, well balanced, perfect wing carr., nice length and leg; 5, Thomson; 6, Towers; 7, James. BUFF (14): 1, Mrs. Holliday, grand size and length, good head, back, and wings, nicely moulded, clean cut, well up on leg; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., smart and clean cut, good pos. and style, grand length of wing, well filled back, lovely leg, close up; 3, Pool, cap mkd., good col., nice size and shape, neat head, neck, wings, and tail, stands well on leg, good nerve; 4, Towers, cinn. mkd., lovely length, wing, good shoulders, and back, perfect qual. and cond., nice leg and pos.; 5, Dykes; 6, Boundy and son; 7, Ashman. HEN (13): 1, 3, Dykes, cl. yell. leading, model, beautiful shape and pos., grand feather, neat wings and tail, splendid length, stands well, put down in perfect order, 3 cl. buff, best of legs, good length of wing, well filled back, clothed beautifully; 2, Heggie, cl. buff, slim type, clean cut, grand shoulders and back, lovely leg, perfect cond.; 4, Dugmore, cl. yell., nicely balanced, good wings, back and tail, nicely cut away, hardly so well clothed; 5, Thomson; 6, Bale; 7, Griffiths. AMAT. YORKS. BUFF CK. (6): 1, Farnish, cl., lovely qual. and type, good head, neck, back, and wings, plenty of nerve; 2, Williams, variegs., grand length, good leg, nicely cut away, stands well; 3, Charles, cl., correct type, good wings, well on leg, put down in nice order; 4, Howard, cl., nice length, good straight back, hardly as well moulded as leaders; 5, Parkes; 6, Raymond. NOV. YELL. CK. (22): 1, Hamlyn, cinn. variegs., grand col. and qual., lovely length, nice straight back, stands well; 2, Deere, grizzle mkd., good col. and qual., nicely rounded head, correct wings and tail, grand pos.; 3, Pitt, tkd., neat head and neck, well filled back, well up on leg, trifle pale in col. to leaders; 4, Llewellyn, wing mkd., good type, nice leg, crosses wings badly at times; 5, Taylor and Wright; 6, Pinnell; 7, Brown. BUFF (11): 1, Hamlyn, lightly variegs., nice length, good type and qual., neat head and neck, well filled back, stands well, grand order; 2, Griffiths, cl. close up, nice length, wing, lovely col. and qual., good straight back, well cut away, nice pos. and leg; 3, Parlitt, lightly var., grand length, well up on leg, put down in fine order; 4, Thomas, grizzle, mkd., neat head, neck, and shoulders, hardly length wing, stands well on leg, nice pos.; 5, Toulson cl., lovely type and qual., nicely moulded, good legs, trifle inclined to frill; 6, Phillips; 7, Harvey. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Hamlyn, cl., nice col. and qual., tightly feathered, very shapely, well filled back, best of wings and tail, nice nerve; 2, Raymond, grizzle head mkd., lovely tone of col., neat head and neck, perhaps hardly as well filled in, yet a good one, grand leg and pos.; 3, Parlitt, cl., nice length, wing, good back and tail, rather flat on head, nice pos. and leg, 4 cl., nice length, good leg, wings, and tail; 5, Sallet; 6, Phillips; 7, Toulson. BUFF (12): 1, Brown, very good, long, well-drawn and neat, fine pose, plenty of leg, extra good quality, sweet hen; 2, Deere, close up, excellent head, back, and wings, nice style, boxy feather, fine bird; 3, Lewis, trifle stronger, but nice and neat, good stand, full of qual.; 4, Arthur, well drawn, nicely fitting feather, of good qual., excellent stamp of hen; 5, James; 6, Egerton; 7, Cliff. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (18): 1, Raymond, var., lovely col., grand length, neat head and neck, well filled back, correct wings and tail, nice pos. and leg; 2, Sallet, grizzle, mkd., grand qual. and col., nice length, wing, good back and tail, stands well on leg, well cut away; 3, Watts, lightly var., nice type, grand length, well proportioned, plenty of leg, nicely braced wings, lovely cond.; 4, Pull, cl., good shoulders and back, nice length, wing, good pos. and style, perhaps hardly as nervy as leaders; 5, Walkden; 6, Watkins; 7, Lewis. BUFF (15): 1, Phillips, cheek and wing mkd., neat head and neck, grand length, well filled back, nice pos. and leg, put down in A1 order; 2, Toulson, cl., correct type, well cut away, nice length, wing, good shoulders and back, stands well; 3, Mrs. Bridgwater, tkd., neat head and neck, good straight back, perhaps hardly length, wing well cut away, nice pos. and style; 4, Sallet, lightly var., lovely cond., well moulded throughout, neat wings, nicely cut away, stands on good legs, best of wings and tail; 5, Cliff; 6, Raymond, 7, James. HEN (11): 1, Hamlyn, cl. yell., neat lady, well clothed, good head and neck, well filled back, nice length, wing, well cut away, nice pos.; 2, Brown, cl., nicely rounded head, good straight back and tail, nicely braced wings, good pos. and style, plenty of leg; 3, Maidment, cl. buff, good cond. and qual., nicely moulded, hardly length wing, well cut away, nice leg; 4, Dallimore, var. buff, good shoulders and back, nice leg, well braced wings and tail, hardly length of leaders; 5, no name; 6, James; 7, Llewellyn. SELL., 4s. (4): 1, Fawcett; 2, 3, 4, Bale. £2 10s. (6): 1, Fawcett; 2, Harvey; 3, Bevan; 4, Raymond; 5, 6, Bale. 20s. (8): 1, 2, Fawcett; 3, Phillips; 4, 6, Bale; 5, Harvey; 7, Williams.

THE NORWICH PLAINHEADS.

Judge, Mr. E. W. Allsopp.

Norwich made a most imposing exhibition, and were nicely arranged all down one side of the big hall. The quality was excellent, many of the winners of the season once more facing the ordeal. Many grand birds were handicapped by being a trifle too forward in condition, pulling themselves out of shape directly they were handled, thus making the judge's task a difficult one. The entry was really excellent, which says much for the confidence exhibitors had in the promoters, as the classification was quite extensive. The two classes for unflighted birds drew an entry of 38, 21 of these being yellow rocks. The judge seemed to have been caught napping in class 29, the schedule reads "Heavily marked or variegated, yellow or buff," with an explanatory note attached "This class to mean more dark than light." The two leaders were more light than dark, and the third bird just on the border, so might have been passed.

The amateur section failed to obtain entries, and when one looked at the excellence of the novice birds one failed to see how another section could be squeezed in between them. One could easily have selected a dozen birds from the novices which would have been well up in the champion tickets. Mr. Crawshaw won the spl. for best bird with his unflighted and spl. for best hen with a nice yellow.

CL. ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Crawshaw, old winner, in fresh hands, wonderful size and head qual., full neck, rich deep col., full of bloom, grand fettle; 2, Thomas, rather more typical, fuller front, scarcely so rich in col., fine bold head, good back and wings, nice qual. feather; 3, Silk, chubby, smaller than leaders, good all round, but hardly in the best possible condition; 4, Houghton, grand size, bold and massive, not the head of winner, still a real good one, capital style; 5, Howard; 6, 7, Mortimer. BUFF (10): 1, Hathaway, massive, short and typical, full head and neck, nicely rounded back and front, smart wings, nice carr., in the pink; 2, Greaves and Richards, somewhat smaller and a shade on the slim side, but teeming with col. and qual. of feather, good wings, nice carr.; 3, Dipple, extra short, thick set, nicely balanced throughout, well rounded, neat full head, capital wings, good qual.; 4, Houghton, grand size, bold head and neck, good back and wing; 5, Dr. Wood; 6, Tedstone; 7, Jones. LIGHTLY MKD. YELL. (8): 1, Thomas, wonderful type, qual. and style, grand size, big massive head, without browing, full neck, nicely rounded back and front, good wings, rich col.; 2, 3, Stubbs Bros., back mkd. leading, bold chested, fails a bit in neck, but grand col. and qual.; 3, bold and clubby, wonderful qual., hardly the best of wings, still a good one, nicely put down; 4, Houghton, wing and eye mkd., nice style, shade on the long side, capital wings, full of qual.; 5, Morrison; 6, Howard; 7 Maggs. BUFF (13): 1, 2, Houghton, grand size and type, short, thick set, good bold head, full neck, nice width of shoulders, good wings, grand qual.; 2, another short one, scarcely so good in head, but very typical, good back and wings, nice style, grand qual., 3, Williams, somewhat smaller but typical and cleanly cut, neat head, good back and wings and tail carr., A1 cond.; 4, Thomas, beautifully rounded, bold full front, teeming with qual., lovely cond.; 5, Davies; 6, H. J. Davis; 7, Tedstone. HEAVILY MKD. (12): 1, 3, Crawshaw, grand size and type, beautifully rounded, fine bold head and neck, lovely qual., a real good buff; 3, massive buff, fine type, bit loose in feather, grand stock bird; 2, Greaves and Richards, good yell., shade longer than winner and scarcely so good in head, capital col., full of qual.; 4, Davis, nearly green, very typical, nicely moulded, good head, back and wings, nice qual.; 5, Houghton; 6, Gardner; 7, Howard. YELL. HEN (14): 1, 4, Crawshaw, clear leader, beauty for type and style, neat full head, good neck, closely braced wings, A1 col., for a lady grand qual.; 4, grand bird, but a bit patchy in col., which told against it, bold full head; 2, Houghton, very fine var., short, thick set, quite a Norwich, shade weak in head, but a grand hen; 3, Thomas, grand size and type, good head and wing, bit down in cond., or might have done better; 4, Dr. Wood, also a little down in cond., rare size for a lady, nice type; 6, Hathaway; 7, Silk. BUFF (13): 1, Dipple, lovely cl., sweetly typical, carries herself well, nicely proportioned throughout, grand qual. of feather; 2, Thomas, shade larger in build, but nicely filled in, quite fat enough, which spoilt the shape, pink of cond., good qual.; 3, Gardner, lovely qual., abundance of meal, shade loose in wings, nice neat head, stands well, lovely feather; 4, Hodder, we liked quite as well, very tight feather, good type, lovely qual. and col.; 5, Sheldon; 6, Houghton; 7, Broome. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (21): 1, Crawshaw, well known bird, lovely all round, grand carr. and style, still looking fit; 2, Williams, not far behind, grand typical body, neat head, good back and wings, looks like improving with time; 3, Houghton, short, thick set, wing mkd., plenty of subs., nice style and movement, good head, nice qual. of feather; 4, Greaves and Richards, hot col., lovely type, hardly the best of wing, nicely rounded, grand qual.; 5, Howard; 6, Davies; 7, Tedstone. BUFF (17): 1, Crawshaw, quite long enough for a winner, and none too cleanly cut, but perfect qual. and round., good bold head; 2, Houghton, very typical, nicely rounded throughout, clean cut to a well carried tail, scarcely so bold in head as winner, but some preferred it for 1st; 3, Maggs, short, thick set, nice type, neat full head, good wing carr., nice qual. feather and good col.; 4, Silk, good col. and qual.; 5, Stubbs Bros.; 6, Hathaway; 7, Wood; No. 9, Hathaway, unnoticed, we thought one of the best in the class. HEN (16): 1, Stubb Bros., coveted by many, sweetly typical, moulded throughout, in the pink, a real good one; 2, 4, A. M. Gardiner, not far behind, lovely type and style, hardly looking at her best, a very fine hen; 3, charmer, grand type, nice stylish movement, well balanced, grand qual. feather; 3, Wood, good thick set buff, nice style and feather, neat head and wings, would improve with a wash; 5, Houghton; 6, Thomas. NOV., YELL CK. (15): 1, Mrs. Scholes, very fine, good size and type, full head and neck, bold front, good short wings, lovely col. and qual., 2, Rev. Jolliffe, back mkd., shade longer, good head and neck, nicely braced wings, neat tail, A1 cond.; 3, Heald, grand cl., typical, close up, beautifully proportioned, grand wings, lovely qual.; 4, Shirley, good cl., just a shade longer, neat head, good wings, nice style; 5, Slee; 6, Llewellyn; 7, King. BUFF (21): 1, Thomas and Durham, fine size, well in front of perch, clean cut to a good tail, neat head, nice qual. feather, but scarcely the bloom of 2, Shirley, full of qual., with grand bold head, massive bird, just a wee bit feathery; 3, Dudley, variegs., fine size, good bold front, well filled back, capital head, clean cut, shade long behind, nice qual.; 4, Williams, bonny variegs, plenty of subs., neat head and wings, nice qual. feather; 5, Mrs. Scholes; 6, Jenkins; 7, Kerr. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Walkden, stylish and free in movement, nicely rounded and finished, neat head, smart wings, lovely qual.; 2, Rev. Jolliffe, a wee shade longer, but nice style, good head, back and wings, neat tail, fine cond.; 3, Lewis, eye and wing mkd., nice size, shade longer in build, good head and wings, well filled in, full of qual.; 4, Thomas and Durham, head tkd., lovely type, short, thick set, nicely balanced, good head and wings, scarcely the bloom of 3rd; 5, 6, Llewellyn; 7, Rooney. BUFF (7): 1, Jenkins, typical, thick set, with nice short wings, good bold head, clean cut to a good tail, A1 cond. and qual.; 2, Thomas and Durham, very fine cl., good size, typical and stylish, well moulded throughout, nice qual. feather, well put down; 3, Escott and James, very fine variegs., good subs., lovely qual., neat head, capital wings; 4, Brown, somewhat smaller, good bold head, nice full front, smart wing carr.; 5, Williams; 6, Sweeting. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (10): 1, 3, Shirley, lovely wing mkd. leading, well balanced, beautifully filled in, neat bold head and neck, well braced wings, A1 cond.; 3, var., good subs., hot col., nicely moulded, good head and wings, capital style and qual.; 2, Rev. Jolliffe, cl., shade longer than 1st, but capital size, good head, nice wing carr., A1 cond.; 4, 6, Mrs. Enderson, shade long in type, but well filled in, good bold front, neat wings; 5, Powell; 7, Phelps. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Rev. Jolliffe, leader lovely cl., grand type and size, good bold head, smart wings, A1 cond.; 2, neck tkd., shade longer, but a good one for size and qual., in the pink; 3, 4, Townsend, leader a shade on the small side, but all there for type, nice style, clean cut; 4, similar, but scarcely so nicely finished, good feather; 5, Thomas and Durham; 6, Phelps; 7, Mrs. Scholes. HEN (13): 1, 3, Rev. Jolliffe, 1 eye mkd., wonderful full front, typical, bold head good wings, fine qual.; 3, var., yell., shade long for a hen, nice qual. feather; 2, Smith wee bit small, but lovely type, well filled in all round, good head, smart wings, A1 qual.; 4, Kerr, var. buff, good subs., bold head, nice width of shoulders, little rough in feather and scarcely looking its best, but still might have stood higher; 5, Phelps; 6, King; 7, Williams. SELL PAIRS (6): 1, Jones; 2, Hullis; 3, Silk; 4, Phelps; 5, Edwards; 6, Follwell. SELL., 40s. (7): 1, Jones; 2, 5, Howard; 3, Mortimer; 4, Coker; 6, Hitchings; 7, Hammett. 20s. (6): 1, Betty; 2, Mrs. Tweddle; 3, 6, Follwell; 4, Sheldon; 5, Hammett.

THE BORDER FANCIES.

Judge, Mr. D. Jenkins.

Borders were the best collection we have seen south this season. The entry was excellent, the latest addition to the classification of the "wee gems," that is, a class for hens, heading the poll, and they were without doubt a most creditable lot, and if there is anything in the merit of the hen to transmit her beauties to her young the novices will make things hum a bit next season. But perhaps the best class in the show for real excellence was the one for buff greens, this was truly a battle of champions, every bird looked a winner right down to the last card, and Mr. Jenkins must have had an anxious time in sorting them out. The yellow and buff cocks were simply marvellous; type, quality and condition being all there.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. (17): 1, Pratt, lovely type and style, neat head and wings, beautifully rounded and modelled, good movement, capital col. and qual.; 2, Burton Bros., typical, handles beautifully, very jaunty and free, sweetly moulded, perfect wings, put down in the pink; 3, Mrs. Taylor, not far behind, nice type and style, neat head, good back and wings, very fine qual.; 4, Wilson, rare style, beautifully balanced, neat head, grand col. and cond.; 5, Madagan; 6, Cooper; 7, Elston. BUFF (18): 1, Madagan, beautifully balanced and moulded, free movement, grand head, well filled back, tightly braced wings, in the pink; 2, Mrs. Taylor, fine size, nicely balanced, neat head, well packed wings, good tail, lovely qual.; 3, 4, Pratt, leader beauty for type and style, scarcely so good in head as winner, grand wings and cond., 4 good size and style, nice qual. feather; 5, Wilson; 6, Pearce; 7, McDonnell. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Pratt, very smart and jaunty, fine col. and qual., scarcely modelled to our liking, still a good hen; 2, Mrs. Taylor, on the small side, charming bird, nicely moulded, neat head, good wings and lovely qual.; 3, 4, Madagan, leader all there for type, beautifully balanced, well placed wings, nice style, 4 a young one of great promise, sweetly typical, beautifully balanced, rich col. and full of qual., we liked immensely; 5, Sampson; 6, 7, Burton Bros. BUFF (17): 1, Mrs. Taylor, grand type and style, nicely balanced and moulded, good head, wings, smartly packed, clean cut, in very fine fettle; 2, 7, Burton Bros., quite the type, good in head and wings, and nice jaunty style, scarcely the bloom of winner; 3, 6, Pratt, stylish, but scarcely filled in enough to our liking, good head, well braced wings, sound cond., grand qual. feather; 4, 5, Madagan, lovely type and style, both in A1 cond. VAR. (14): 1, Taylor, Mrs., lovely 4-pointed, beautifully balanced and moulded, grand style, and movement, handles beautifully, in very fine fettle, one of the best; 2, Burton Bros., not far behind, full of swank, good head, smartly braced wings, clean cut, smooth as a bottle; 3, 5, Pratt, leader very smart and jaunty, nice style, scarcely filled in as well as leaders, lovely qual.; 4, Phillips, all there for type and style, good head and wings, cleanly cut; 6, McDonnell; 7, Elston. CINN., SELF OR FOUL (15): 1, 3, 4, 5, Wilson, a wonderful team that required some placing, typical, smart birds, very free and jaunty in style, good heads and wings, rich deep col., all teeming with qual., and put down in the best possible cond.; 2 Whitelaw, rare style and type, nice size, beautifully moulded, clean cut and grand cond., full of col.; 6, Jones; 7, Jenkins. NOV. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Owen, good size, very typical, nicely balanced, clean cut, good wings and tail, very high cond.; 2, Last, grand wing mkd., good type, handles well, good head, back, and wings, neat tail, in fine fettle; 3, Hutchinson, on the small side, but very typical, nice movement, neat head, smart wings, A1 cond.; 4, Humphries, was shade long in build, but very smart, nice style, capital wing, good qual. feather; 5, Thomas; 6, Beard; 7, Raymond. BUFF (15): 1,

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Owen, lovely cl., typical, nicely balanced and moulded, smart wing carr., good head, free neck, best of cond.; 2, Thomas, grand tkd., fine type, stylish and smart, neat head, nicely filled front, A1 fettle; 3, Chown, smart wing tkd., lovely type and style, nice qual. feather, A1 cond.; 4, Hutchinson, good cl., fine type, fails a bit in wings and style, but lovely qual. of feather; 5, Beard; 6, Lambert; 7, Humphries. HEN (20): 1, Lunn, very fine cl., typical and smart, stylish, neat head, good wing carr., A1 cond.; 2, Owen, cl., excellent type, nicely moulded, neat wings, rare qual.; 3, Humphries, very fine buff, well filled in, good head, smart wings, very useful, capital qual.; 4, Strathern, typical, nice qual., very stylish and free, well put down; 5, Last; 6, 7, Macdonnell. GREEN YELL. (13): 1, 2, 5, Middleton, charmers, of very high qual., all very typical and smart, good in heads and wings, 5 particularly so, full of pencilling, and the best of col.; 3, Wiseman, another beauty, grandly pencilled, a blaze of col., in the pink, very typical, full of movement; 4, Mrs. Taylor, grand size, very typical, smart and jaunty, grand depth of col., beautifully mkd., very fine cond.; 6, Montgomery; 7, Collier. BUFF (14): 1, Middleton, fine size and type, good head and wings, beautifully balanced and moulded, clean cut, grandly pencilled, lovely rich col.; 2, 5, Johnston, two of the best, both in the pink, perfect type, richly mkd., sound col.; 3, Montgomery, typical and smart, plenty of style, good head, capital well braced wings, beautifully pencilled, grand depth of col.; 4, Smith, close up, full of work, and lovely col., grand type, in fine fettle; 6, Allan; 7, Bacon. VELL. HEN (11): 1, 5, Middleton, nice size and style, beautifully moulded, smoothly finished, wealth of pencilling and best of col., a real good one; 2, Allen, slightly foul, beauty for type and finish, capital head and wings, well filled in, grandly mkd., very rich bright col.; 3, Montgomery, nicely balanced, moulded, and finished, smart wing carr., full of pure col., in the pink; 4, Johnston, we liked immensely, good dense pencilling, sound in col., rare qual.; 5, Smith; 7, Collier. BUFF (8): 1, Whitelaw, typical, beautifully modelled, capital head, free neck, very stylish, tightly braced wings, full of col., grandly pencilled; 2, Johnston, close up, beauty for style and finish, quite as rich in col., and densely pencilled, in the pink; 3, 5, Middleton, real Greens in col., capital type, good heads and wings, very fine cond.; 4, Montgomery, smart and graceful, sound in col., well mkd.; 6, Collier; 7, Smith.

THE LIZARD CANARIES.

Judge, Mr. J. R. Leech.

The classes for Lizards were only moderately filled, the whole exhibitors in the half-dozen classes being six well-known names. The birds, as usual, were almost perfection; Mr. Rukin winning the spl. for best clear cap, and Mr. Hamer the one for broken.

CL. CAP GOLD (6): 1, Rukin, well known, grand size and shape, good skull, clean cap, perfect spangling, sound col., in the pink; 2, 3, 5, Barnes, grand team, leader full of work and col., very shapely, grand wings, 3 similar; 4, 6, Hamer, perfect spangling, sound col., fine order. BROKEN (6): 1, Hamer, lovely patch cap, fine size, very shapely, well carried wings and tail, beautifully spangled, grand tone of col., in the pink; 2, Green and Son, tkd. cap, fine qual., bold head, grand wings, regular in spangling, and good body work, sound col. and qual.; 3, Barnes, fine size and shape, dense, well carried wings, richly spangled, capital tone of col., rare cond.; 4, Rukin, shade small, but lovely qual., very shapely, beautifully spangled; 5, 6, Bradley. CL. CAP SILVER (6): 1, 2, Hamer, very shapely, good size, nice black wings and tail, full of work throughout, splendid tone of col.; 3, Rukin, rather slim build, splendidly spangled, lovely tone of col., grand wings and tail, fine cond.; 4, 6, Green and Son, little irregular in cap, but beauty for spangling and depth of col., shapely, grand qual. and cond.; 5, Bradley. BROKEN SILVER (5): 1, 3, Hamer, leader patch cap, magnificent qual., grand size and shape, full of spangling to the eyes, very rich under col., graud cond., 3 rather smaller, richly spangled, grand tone of col., in the pink; 2, Barnes, fine wings and tail, even spangling, A1 col., full of qual.; 4, Millington, good tone of col., fine cond.; 5, Bradley. GOLD HEN (3): 1, 2, Rukin, both good in work and col., in fine cond.; 3, Millington, good cl. cap. SILVER (4): 1, Hamer, full capped, nice type, rich col., lovely even spangling; 2, 3, 4, Rukin, grand team, as near perfection as possible, grandly spangled, all in the pink.

THE REMAINING CANARY CLASSES.

Judge, Mr. J. Robson.

Crests and Crest-breds though not large in numbers were unusually level in quality, some really grand birds being staged, which must have given the judge an anxious time in sorting them out. 1914 Crests and Crest-breds were also a fine lot, some very promising birds being put down, in fact, we do not ever remember seeing such a fine lot at a Welsh show. Cinnamons also were not large in numbers, but were indeed a very level lot; as were also the Green Yorkshires.

CREST CK. (3): 1, 3, Bale, cl. body, dark tail and crest, good body, grand head, nicely lashed, 3rd grizzle marked crest, lovely head, nice body, wonderful qual.; 2, Rev. Joyce, wing mkd. D.C., lovely feather. HEN (3): 1, Bale, var. D.C., good length of head feather, nice entrance, grand body; 2, Evins Bros., D.C., var., beautiful body, hardly as wide in entrance; 3, Walker, cl. body, D.C. and tail, grand body, nicely centred, hardly as dense feather. C.B. CK. (7): 1, 3, Bale, lightly var. dome-shaped skull, splendid lashing, wide entrance, splendid qual., 3rd cl., grand style, lovely lashing, best of skull; 2, 7, Colledge, var., good stout body, lovely entrance, well lashed, nice skull; 4, Evins Bros.; 5, Rev. Joyce; 6, Barker. 1914 CREST CK. (7): 1, 3, Colledge, wing mkd. D.C., splendid frontal, beautiful centre and droop, 3rd good lightly var. D.C., good all-round crest, nice frontal; 2, Taylor, lightly var. D.C., nice size and back, good frontal and droop; 4, 5, Bale; 6, Edward; 7, Walker. HEN (3): 1, Barker, long frontal, dense vein, a real good one; 2, Rev. Joyce, var., rattling good bird, nice centre and droop; 3, Bale, cl. body, var. cr., good frontal, nice back. C.-B. CK. (8): 1, 3, real gems, both var., leader wonderful skull, grand body; 2, Rev. Joyce, cl., grand body, wide head and entrance; 3, Taylor, foul green, nice oval skull, good lashing, rare body; 5, Colledge; 6, Edwards; 7, Walker. HEN (3): 1, Bale, lightly var., a nice skull, good lashing, rare body and size; 2, Taylor, var., well lashed, nice body, hardly the full of Colledge, var., close up, [illegible] CINN. YELL. CK. (8): 1, 4, Colley, splendid body, nice head, well [illegible] and qual., 4th a trifle longer [illegible] col. and qual.; 2, 3, [illegible], nice level col., [illegible] and qual., grand [illegible] Mrs. Tweddle, [illegible] real topper of admirers; 5th, Can.-Bullf., best of col., good shape, but on close examination seemed stone blind in at least one eye; 6, Dr. Wilson; 7, Lawrance. A.O. HYB. (8): 1, Martin and Archer, Greenf.-Chaffinch, noted exhibit, lovely shape, col., and qual., topping order; 2, 7, Dr. Wilson, Greenf.-Chaffinch, nice shape and qual., shows parentage well; 3, Collins, neat Redpoll-Goldf., perfect shape, nice size and cond.; 4, Whitney and Son, good size Goldf.-Greenf., neat exhibit, very shapely, in fine order; 5, Lamb; 6, Campbell.

THE BRITISH BIRD SECTION.

Mr. D. A. S. Longden's Classes.

The British bird section though not as well filled as it might have been contained the cream of the Fancy: most of the noted winners being staged. The moulted Goldfinches were rather disappointing, no real stonners being seen, but some really promising youngsters that will be heard of again were put down in the black-legged class; in fact, the judge had his work cut out to sort them, some really good birds having unavoidably to be left out of the tickets. In the three classes provided for amateurs some really good specimens were staged; many of the exhibitors would not have disgraced themselves in the champion classes. The Albinos were greatly admired, and were a really excellent collection, in fact, we believe we are right in saying the best lot ever staged in Wales.

GOLDF. (18): 1, S. Jones, jun., neat Finch, rich crimson blaze, well cut, nicely tanned breast, good wing bars and buttons, lovely cond., good col. and qual.; 2, Richards, good square cut blaze, nicely tanned and buttoned, beautiful quality feather, best of cond.; 3, Conkie and Loudon, nice size, good shape, rich blaze, though hardly so rich as leader's; 4, Richards, grand square cut blaze, of good col., nicely tanned and buttoned, good shape and size, nice col. and qual.; 5, Pool; 6, Edwards; 7, Williams. BULLF. CK. (8): 1, Dr. Wilson, bold and shapely, graud back, wonderful depth and clearness of breast feather, grand cap and bars, put down to the moment; 2, Tonks, smaller, beautiful type, lovely breast col., grand back, best of bars and cap, a real good one; 3, Morgans and Williams, good level breast col., nice size and shape, grand col. and qual., hardly as rich as leaders; 4, Osborne, correct type, dense cap, nice back and breast col.; 5, Ford; 6, Jones, jun.; 7, Jeffreys. LINNET (10): 1, Dr. Wilson, wonderful body, tremendous size, grand shape, well laced, trifle small in head, his only fault, good col., qual., and cond.; 2, Mrs. Dalton, grand exhibit, rather small in comparison to leader, still a real good one, full of work, right across breast, in A1 order; 3, Nicholas, good col. and size, nice col. and qual., lails lacing to leaders; 4, 6, Heal, neat exhibit, former good size, shapely, lovely col. and qual.; 5, S. Jones, jun.; 7, Richards. GREENF. (15): 1, Lawrance, grand headed jonque, hot-fed, immense size, best of shape, lovely wing bars, in perfect order; 2, Parlett, best of shape, grand tone of col., nice size, lovely qual.; 3, Mrs. Dalton, non-fed jonque, very shapely, trifle smaller, beautiful qual., best of wing bars, and cond.; 4, Martin and Archer, non-fed buff, nice tone of col., good size, shape, and cond.; 5, Holborrow; 6, Nicholas; 7, S. Jones, jun. LESSER REDPOLL (13): 1, Bullock, good size, real waggon horse shape, but seemed harsh in feather, and rather indistinct markings, many thought rather lucky; 2, Miss Whishaw, nice size and col., hardly as much chest as leader, but well pencilled, in nice order; 3, Cook, F.M., probably one of the best ever staged, wonderful size, waggon-horse shape, profusion of distinct lacing, grand col. and qual., naturally handicapped by not being house-moulted; 4, Conkie and Loudon, good size and shape, well pencilled, nice col. and qual.; 5, 7, Jeffreys; 6, Heal. CHAFF. (8): 1, Jeffreys, bouncer for size, grand shape, lovely breast col., good skull, best of whites on wing, splendid head colouring, well put down, romps home; 2, Pearce, shapely, rather smaller than leader, good bold front, grand breast, back, and head colouring, nice whites, first-class cond.; 3, Mrs. Dalton, good shape, though a trifle longer, best of whites, good colouring, cond. and qual. A1; 4, Bullock, very shapely, hardly as prominent in skull, good col. throughout, nice cond.; 5, Lox; 6, Morgans and Williams; 7, Winstone. YELLOW BUNTING (5): 1, Rowe and Richards, real gem, grand width of skull, lovely head and eye markings, good rich col. throughout, best of shape and cond., wins; 2, 4, 5, Mrs. Dalton, trio of good ones, leader real good head, nicely pencilled, grand col. and qual.; 4, good col., nicely mkd. throughout, had flights missing; 3, Jeffreys, well mkd., good V., nice col., size, and qual. HEN (11): 1, Heal, well-known Corn-Bunting, grand size, lovely col. and qual., well laced throughout, steady as a rock; 2, Rowe and Richards, Siskin, neat, lovely col., well defined markings; 3, Cottingham, well known Hawfinch, wonderful size, best of shape, col., and qual., shining like satin; 4, Miss Whishaw, Yellow-hammer, lovely shape, good size, well mkd., grand order; 5, Campbell; 6, Davies; 7, Miss Whishaw. REDSTART, ETC. (3): 1, Burrows, Redstart, grand rich reddish breast, clear white forehead, nicely frosted, staged to perfection; 2, Taylor, Black Redstart, wonderful size, dense col., fine shape and cond.; 3, Woodhouse, Redstart, good size, presumably a hen. ALBINO (6): 1, Martin and Archer, well-known clear Yellow Bunting, very shapely, in grand order, feathered like box-wood; 2, 3, 5, 6, Miss Whishaw, House Sparrow, Cinn. Redpoll, Hedge Sparrow, and Silver Redpoll, charming exhibits, put down in this lady's usual good style; 4, Hart, black Bullfinch, another interesting exhibit, in good order. AMAT. LINNET, ETC. (13): 1, Strathearn, Linnet, good cone shape, nice size and col., in grand order, wins; 2, Bullock, neat Redpoll, good shape, nice size, well laced, grand col. and qual.; 3, Fowler, Linnet, hardly as large as 1st, lovely type and qual., well pencilled; 4, Bullock, Siskin, shapely, good eye mkgs., nice col. and qual.; 5, Bowdridge; 6, Lucas Bros.; 7, Copp.

Mr. Lloyd-James's Classes.

GOLDF., F.M. (22), a good class, many grand birds, unavoidably cardless: 1, Richards, good rich square blaze of grand col., nicely tanned breast, good col. throughout, best of bars and buttons; 2, Williams, fine blaze, good tan, nice size and shape, lovely bars and buttons, in grand order; 3, 7, Gibbon, former good size, nice level col., grand neat blaze of good col., well tanned breast, best of bars and buttons, splendid shape; 4, Escott and James, most expansive blaze in class, hardly as bright a colour as leaders, well built throughout, beautifully tanned, good size and shape; 5, 6, Jeffreys. BULLF., HEN (8): 1, Still, real gem, good bold chest, very cobby, lovely tone of col. throughout, grand cap and bars; 2, S. Jones, jun., very shapely, nice type, grand col. and qual., well staged, close up; 3, McPherson, fine feather, very cobby; 4, Campbell; 5, Wallis; 6, Jeffreys; 7, Goodall. LINNET, F.M. (14): 1, Parlett, Nor. type, good size, bold chest, neat lacing, rather pale in col.; 2, Osborne, good size, neat cone shape, well laced, grand col. and qual.; 3, Lewis, fair size and markings, but not the best of shape or col., some thought lucky; 4, Jeffreys, good size, cone shaped, distinct breast markings, nice col. and qual; 5, Bowdridge; 6, Heal; 7, Nicholas. No. 2 and 10, probably the best Linnets in class, hard lines. HAWFINCH (63): 1, Camm, Horticultural Hall winner, gem for colouring, nice nutty back, large bib, dense black, good head col., nice blue neck, grand size, lovely sheen; 2, Thomas, good size, neat well cut bib, rich col. throughout; 3, Crone, fine size and qual, neat bib, good rich back, well polished all over; 4, McPherson; 5, Davis; 6, Coxham. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Conkie and Loudon, Twite, grand size, very shapely, rich nutty col. throughout, well pencilled; 2, 6, S. Jones, jun., Siskin, leader excels in clearness of col. and eye markings, in fine order; 3, Miss Whishaw, Twite, lovely tone of col. throughout, very shapely, little to choose between this and 1st; 4, Martin and Archer, Siskin, nice shape, good clear col., lovely order; 5, Mrs. Dalton; 7, Winstone. BRAMBLE (10): 1, Hart, jonque, good mantle and back spangling, nice thigh lacing, very shapely, nice size and cond.; 2, Miss Whishaw, lovely rich col. throughout, well spangled, very shapely, good thigh lacing, might have won, and nobody grumble; 3, Jeffreys, good size and shape, nicely spangled back, hardly as rich col. as leaders; 4, Barton, shade smaller, good col., nice type and qual., well spangled, good thigh lacing; 5, Heal; 6, Conkie and London; 7, Ford. BUNTINGS (7): 1, Conkie and Loudon, bold Corn Bunting, rich col., grand size and shape, well-mkd.; 2, 5, Miss Whishaw, sweet Snow Bunting, grand col., put down in charming style; 3, Lapland Bunting, in winter plumage, an interesting exhibit, much admired; 3, 4, S. Jones, jun., Corn Bunting leading, lovely col. and qual., well mkd., neatly put down, latter Corn Bunting, good size, nice clear col., well mkd. and steady; 6, Rowe and Richards; 7, Thomas. THRUSH, ETC. (3): 1, 3, Ford, Blackbirds, good size, very shapely, nice dense col., good crocus beaks and eye cores; 2, Peterson, shapely, well spangled Song Thrush. A.O. INSECTIV. (6): 1, 2, Crawford Bros., nice Waxwing, leading, good crest, rich body col., grand order; 2, Bearded Tit, well mkd. head and throat, good sound rich col., lovely order; 3, Taylor, Crested Tit, neat exhibit, in perfect cond.; 4, Bearder, Waxwing; 6, Miles Bros.; 5, S. Jones, jun. AMAT. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (17): 1, Lewis, Goldf., nice square cut, good col. blaze, well tanned chest, best of bars and buttons, nice qual. and cond.; 2, Lucas Bros., Bullf., cobby, good breast and back col., nice cap and bars; 3, 5, Mrs. Richards, both Goldf., close up, clear, good shaped blazes, nice tans, bars, and buttons; 4, Walkden, Bullf., correct type, neat cap and bars, trifle paler breast col. than leader; 6, Bowdridge; 7, Carter. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (6): 1, A. J. Lewis, Yellow Bunting, good bold head, lovely V., grand col. throughout, well put down; 2, Carter, Bramble, fine size, well spangled, only wants feeding to make a topper; 3, Copp, Greenf., shapely good col. and qual., nice wing bars; 4, Fowler, rich col. Bramble, well spangled, trifle smaller than leader; 5, Jones and Davies; 6, Carter.

THE FOREIGN BIRDS.

Judge, Mr. Robson.

Foreigners were disappointing, no less than seven classes out of ten having to be cancelled, the remaining three classes only containing seventeen exhibits provided by four exhibitors, notwithstanding the fact that the show was under the patronage of the F.B.C. Such poor support does not give societies much encouragement to provide classification.

AVADAVATS, ETC. (7): 1, 4, 6, 7, Howe, St. Helena Waxbills, leading, in lovely plumage; 4, Conhassous, lovely metallic sheen, perfect cond.; 6, White-headed Mannikins, well shown, lovely feather; 7, Ribbon Finches, as tight as wax, best possible order; 2, 3, 5, Mrs. Longden, Goldbreast, leading, lovely couple, in exquisite cond.; 3, Cordon Bleus, an excellent couple; 5, Firefinches, perfect pair. WEAVERS, ETC. (8): 1, Howe, Vinaceous Firefinch, a neat exhibit, but many thought lucky to beat 2, Chaffinch, red collared Whydah, lovely colouring and cond.; 3, 5, 6, Mrs. Longden, Pintailed Nonpareil leading, lovely colouring, splendid cond.; 5, Jackson's Whydah, a real gem, lovely tail, best possible cond., might have been higher; 6, grand pair Black-headed Gouldians. FRUIT-EATING (2): 1, 2, Arnott, Lesser Double collared Sunbirds and Golden Fronted Sunbirds, magnificent colourings, all in splendid order.

MIDDLETON C.B.S.

15th annual show, Dec. 5. Mr. W. Hardy, Oldham, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Three highest competitors for cup, W. Furniss, 22 points; J. Burke, 21; J. Sharples, 20. Messrs Burke and Sharples won Fry's special; Mr. Cockcroft, Answers' volume most points; W. Furniss, challenge cup and sp.; Burke, 2 spls. Seventy birds staged.

LANCS. COPPY: 1, 2, Oldham; 3, 4, Adams. P.H.: 1, 2, Oldham; 3, 4, Adams. VELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Jas. Burke. BUFF: 1, 4, Burke; 2, Sharples; 3, Wagstaffe. TKD. YELL.: 1, Burke; 2, Wagstaffe. BUFF: 1, Burke; 2, Wagstaffe. VELL. HEN: 1, 2, Burke; 3, Wagstaffe. BUFF: 1, Sharples; 2, the Burke; 3, Furniss; 4, Wagstaffe; he, Mrs. Cockcroft. UNFLIG.: 1, Burke; 2, Wagstaffe. NOV.: 1, Mrs. Cockcroft; 2, 3, 4, Marcroft. NOR. VELL.: 1, Sharples; 2, Furniss. BUFF: 1, Furniss; 2, Sharples. TKD. YELL.: 1, Furniss. BUFF: 1, 2, Furniss; 3, 4, Sharples. HEN: 1 Sharples; 2, 3, Furniss. BUFF: 1, Furniss; 2, 3, Sharples. A.O.V.: 1, Sharples. MULE or HYB.: 1, Sharples. BRIT.: 1, Furniss; 2, 3, Burke; vhc, he, Hulton. A.O.V.: 1, Ashworth; 2, 4, he, Davies; 3, Wood; vhc, Craighill. Winner of cup, Mr. W. Furniss; runner-up, J. Burke. Fanciers are heartily invited to become members. James Hulton, Sec., 11, Grey Street, Middleton, nr. Manchester.

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HOW TO BREED EXHIBITION YORKSHIRE CANARIES.

Some Practical Tips for Tyros.

By JOHN B. WATERMAN (Dulwich.)

IN the present exciting times when the crack of the rifle and the boom of big guns can almost be heard on this side of the Channel, one requires relaxation of some kind or the other more than at any other period of one's existence, as to read daily of war and nothing but war has a tendency to make one's nerves a trifle "jumpy." Hence it has occurred to me that as we are on the threshold of another spring, a few notes anent the fascinating hobby of Canary breeding and keeping may not prove inopportune.

My especial favourite, I may at once say, is the Yorkshire, and I therefore purpose dealing exclusively with this variety—truly styled the birds of grace and beauty. My remarks, too, are specially addressed to the novices in the Fancy, for although I have bred and kept birds of various kinds for more years than I care now to look back upon, I still regard myself as being outside the charmed circle of the so-called "professionals," as I keep my birds purely for the hobby.

With this little explanation I will commence at the beginning and deal with the room and cages; albeit it is not absolutely necessary that one should have a room specially for the birds, for some real good specimens have often been bred and reared in an odd corner of the homely kitchen. However, if a spare room can be found for the stock so much the better. Like many another fancier, I started with only a few birds, and these were kept in a living room, but after leaving the parental roof I was able to set apart a small room for the accommodation of my feathered pets, and am pleased to say I have met with a fair measure of success on the show bench, and otherwise.

The Right Kind of Help.

One of my most treasured possessions, too, is the fine original water-colour drawing of Yorkshire Canaries which I won in CAGE BIRDS' Essay Competition some few years ago; and if by this short article I should in any way help some of the young readers of your bright little journal to pick up a few prizes I shall feel amply rewarded.

I may here say that my bird-room faces the south-west, and inasmuch as the hot-water pipes from the kitchen boiler run through it, the temperature is always just right during the cold weather. But even if the room lacked this little artificial heat I should not introduce any, as I do not believe in "coddling" the birds; my experience is that it tends to make them go "soft."

The room should be airy and light, but all draughts must be most rigidly excluded. Commodious shelves should be placed round the room for the cages, and the floor of the apartment should be well washed at least once a week with hot water, in which a little liquid carbolic has been placed. This treatment will keep the birds' domicile sweet and clean, a condition which even the feathered inmates seem by their manner to thoroughly appreciate. Should mice be troublesome—they are particularly fond of canary seed, and invariably pick out the best! just mention the matter to your family chemist and he will make up a preparation that will quickly give these pests their "quietus."

Beware of Boiling Water.

Having got the room ready, our attention is now directed to the cages. My own are double-breeders, 36in. long, 18in. high, and 10in. from back to front. They are all wood except the front, which is of wire. The fronts are removable, as this facilitates the cleaning out process. When washing the cages never use boiling water, as I have seen some fanciers do, as this causes the wood to warp, and red mite insinuate themselves in the holes thus made.

When the cages are dry, apply the following solution well round any crevices, and at the ends of all perches:—Equal parts spirits of wine and turpentine, into which a small piece each of camphor and soda has been placed. A half-pint will last many months, and the mixture should be tightly corked when not in use. Birds should not be turned into the cages so treated for a day or so, as the smell of the powerful lotion should have time to evaporate.

Having got the room and cages ready, I would recommend the beginner to procure a copy of CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL, as from this valuable little work he will, besides other very useful birdy information, be able to obtain the address and particulars of his nearest cage-bird club. He would do well to join this society in order to get into close touch with local fanciers.

This done, a visit should be paid to the room of one or more of the members who are known to have a few birds for disposal, and then a pair properly matched for breeding can usually be purchased at a reasonable price. Don't, however, expect to secure "Palace winners" for a trifling sum, or dire disappointment is certain to follow. It is usually best to leave the selection of the birds to the older hand, who will, generally speaking, deal honestly by the novice.

Failing this arrangement, there are always reputable fanciers advertising spare stock in the columns of CAGE BIRDS; but when doing business in this way it is usually more satisfactory to all parties concerned to have the birds on approval and adopt the excellent deposit system of the paper. I have found this arrangement to work excellently myself when desiring to obtain birds possessing certain characteristics.

The Usefulness of Selling Classes.

Another good method of securing fair class birds at a reasonable figure is to attend local shows and keep a sharp eye on the selling classes. It is advisable, however, to commence with only moderately-priced pairs until one gains experience with practice, when the better and more expensive specimens can be tackled with more confidence. My advice is to always go slowly at first, but with patience and the exercise of a little judgment the beginner will usually be able to breed some birds of sufficient merit to win in the novice classes at local members' shows—which is all that should reasonably be expected at this early stage.

Personally, I wish I had remained longer in the novice ranks, but only a few months after I had decided to take up exhibiting Yorkshires, one of my birds won a championship diploma and silver medal in open competition, and I was at once pitchforked into the champion section, and had henceforth to show my birds on the same footing as some of the greatest breeders in the country. For this reason it is usually wise to try and remain in the novice ranks until one has, so to speak, found his "sea-legs" in the Fancy.

(To be Continued.)

Correspondence.

When Judges Disagree.

SIR,—No wonder some judges disagree when such a rare exhibit is bred as the "White Rose," especially those who are still exhibiting. I sent two Greenfinches in the same class to three shows under three different judges. Result, 1st and 2nd Sunderland, 12 in class. Next Saturday at Brandon 1st Sunderland was hc; 2nd Sunderland was 1st, seven in class. At the Welsh National bird hc at Brandon was 2nd, and the 1st at Brandon was cardless, 15 in class. When there can be such varied opinions on a common Greenfinch how can we expect all judges to agree? R. D. PARLETT.

Winter Management of Canaries.

SIR,—I quite agree with what Mr. Allsopp says as regards feeding. My birds have enjoyed the best of health since the moult on a diet consisting as a staple of plain canary seed. In addition I mix maw and English summer rape (double the quantity of the rape to maw) and give half a teaspoonful per bird three times a week, with a bit of sweet apple twice a week. They are quite ready for putting up now, cocks on full song and the hens flapping their wings, which I don't think is so bad, considering the weather we are having. I hope to have a good season and wish all fanciers the same and CAGE BIRDS the success it deserves. AN OLD READER.

The Importance of Good Hens.

SIR,—The article on Norwich hens by your well-known artist, Mr. H. Norman, is very interesting, and I feel sure that if fanciers were to take more pains in selecting hens for breeding, we should have far better results. I am a sticker for type myself, as a good many fanciers know, and to my mind type and quality should stand first. One of the best Norwich that I have ever bred and which was the father of one of my big winners was bred from a small yellow hen, but of lovely type and quality. She bred me five youngsters, and these all turned out big winners. I had several fanciers to see my stock, and they were surprised at the size of the hen that produced those youngsters. They told me that if I had asked five shillings for the hen they would have thought it quite enough. I always, when selecting my breeding hens, try and use those hens that are of good Norwich type, even if they do run on the small side, as I generally find those are the kind of hens that breed me my birds that I win with. Of course, I also use one or two good sized hens to help keep up the size in my stock. I believe that where a good many of our novice fanciers go wrong is in the selecting of their hens for stock. Some of them seem to have got size on the brain. They get birds with plenty of (or rather too much) feather and lovely "trousers" on them, and then they wonder why they don't see a red ticket on the cages of these birds at the shows. Scarcely ever am I asked for a bird of good type and quality, but generally the applicants say birds must be very large. I hope no one will misunderstand me and think I like small show birds, for I like a good big bird myself, but not at the expense of type and quality. I feel sure if we as fanciers get the real Norwich type firmly bred into our stock, and my experience is it will be done chiefly through the hens, we shall not be long before we turn out winners. Of course we must have some size on the cock side to pair to the medium sized hens. I hope other fanciers will give their ideas. G. W. S.

Future of Chester-le-Street C.B.S

SIR,—Judging from the report of Mr. Robinson (Sec. for Pelton Fell C.B.S.) in CAGE BIRDS last week, I think he must be mistaken re the above society being done for, as there has never been any meeting to decide whether it shall be carried on or not. Now as there are a few members greatly in favour of amalgamation, I hope that all members and intending members will make a special effort to attend this meeting at Pelton Fell. Let us have the matter thoroughly discussed. As regards old members who would not join the amalgamation I don't think they have the welfare of the society at heart, or they would have fallen in with the majority and given the idea a fair trial. Now, fanciers, a good supper and a jovial evening together is the wish of R. WARD.

Where Are the Yellow Buntings?

SIR,—It was a most gratifying array of birds which met the eyes of those who were fortunate enough to attend the first Welsh National Show at Cardiff last week-end. I was, however, disappointed to find that though the promoters were good enough to provide a class for the Yellow Bunting they only received five entries, three of which belonged to the writer. To my mind this bird is one of our most beautiful exhibits, and I believe if an appeal is made to the British section of the Fancy they will endeavour to take the same interest in filling a class provided as in the case of the other species, viz., Linnets, etc. We do not want to have this class abolished, for fanciers know that when the Buntings have to compete in a mixed class what the result invariably is. I do not know if there is a class provided for this bird alone at the next Bathgate Show, but should same be the case I sincerely hope the result of my venture in appealing to fanciers will amply reward the promoters. (MRS.) L. E. T. DALTON.

The Value of "Push."

SIR,—I have read with interest the letters under the above heading, amongst them one of Mr. H. Coker. I can quite understand him when he says he cannot get the full price for his birds. I may be wrong, but he seems to be in about the same fix as I was myself at one time. I had a strain of Norwich far above the songster stage, quite good enough to win at small shows, but not good enough for hot competition. Result, I mostly had to part with my surplus stock at a small price. Sometimes with a little "push" I did get rid of one or two at about fifteen shillings each, but not very often. Well, I thought if I am to keep in the Fancy this won't do for me, and I want to have the pleasure of breeding a good winner or two, also the pleasure of accepting or refusing a ten pound note for a bird or two, which I heard fanciers were doing. So I used a little of this precious "push," studied the Fancy Press, attended several of the large shows, got into touch with a few decent fanciers, and found out just where I failed or where my stock of birds failed. With the cash I got for some of my surplus, I went to a fancier who I knew bred his own winners, and only sold his own surplus birds (there are a few fanciers like him left). I told him just what I wanted, paid him a fair price for three or four birds, and with a determination to get to the top of the Fancy I was able in a year or two to be showing amongst the best of company, and winning with birds I had bred. Since then I have had the nice feeling of accepting or refusing that ten pound note, and now by a few adverts. in CAGE BIRDS I have no trouble to dispose of my surplus. I am afraid friend Coker will not get full value for his birds until he has advanced a bit more in the Fancy. But I can assure him that if he has made up his mind to come out on top he will do it. Go to a man who breeds his own winners, not those who buy their winners and buy other birds to sell as "all bred from their cup and medal winners." That, to my mind, is pushing novices out of the Fancy every year.

JOHN BULL.

Correspondence continued on next page.

IS MIXED SEED AS BAD AS A DISEASE?

Our correspondent says plain canary seed for Canaries and small British seedeaters alone ensures long life and perfection of condition.

SIR,—Many small seed-eating birds are lost yearly through over-feeding, and the breeding season is now approaching and many birds are, through this, not in condition. The young fancier is at a loss what to do. After 30 years of breeding Canaries, Mules and Hybrids I have learned the right way of saving the lives of many of our cage birds. I started in the hobby by feeding my birds on mixed seeds. Canaries did fairly well for a time, but my Finches would drop off in a decline—many a good Finch have I lost. I collected wild seeds; but no, they would live a season or two, then drop off.

I was told by an old bird catcher to try plain canary seed. I have done this for some years, and can now truthfully say I can keep Finches as long as any fancier about here. I have in my bird-house six cock Goldfinches in the best of health and plumage, fit to enter any show, and these birds get only plain canary seed. A fancier once told me you could not get the colour into a Finch on plain canary seed. I have proved this to be untrue. The Finch is born, not made; has not many a young lass who has lived on the plainest of food made a beautiful woman?

Looking for Trouble.

I remember showing a Finch which was claimed at a good price. I told the buyer to feed it on plain canary seed. No, he said, I use mixed seed. Result: death of the Finch in a short time through over-feeding.

I wish your readers to plainly understand that I consider the feeding of birds on mixed seed to be a kind of disease. I have known beginners start off and do well for a time on mixtures of seeds, but at last come to grief. Some may say they fail to understand how one kind of seed can keep British birds alive. But they cannot understand that the birds require plenty of exercise if fed on a rich diet. A Finch in his wild state is a traveller and a hard worker. What is there for the Finch at this time of the year? Very little in the way of rich seed. You will now see great numbers of them in the elder trees partaking of the seed, of which they are very fond.

The Time for Mulers.

As the spring draws near the Goldie will live on the flowers of the groundsel and is easily caught on patches of this where it grows. I find the cocks taken then make the best mulers, for they are then in their prime. Why I speak mainly of the Goldfinch is because he is more likely to go into a decline than any other bird. Give the plain canary seed a trial; I am sure you will bless the day you tried it. You can do this by adding to the mixed seed a portion of plain canary seed, gradually increasing it until you have done away with the mixture altogether.

The cock Siskin is an easy muler, but rarely do you keep him over two seasons. Why? Because he is a glutton and always at the seed box. Give him plain seed and he will stop with you as long as you like.

What better hobby is there for the working man than bird-keeping? None! I love my birds as much as my life, and believe in helping the working man to keep the Fancy going; this plain seed method will go a great way towards it. It is the proper way to feed, and is a good "war diet," as it is the cheapest in the end.

F. BALCOMBE.

Lewes.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

Are Scotch Fancy Exhibitors Overstepping the Mark?

Sir,—I was very pleased to see the letters by Mr. McLure and "Old Fancier." These no doubt caused a little healthy excitement in the Fancy, and much comment has been made as a result. I was very much struck by a letter from Mr. R. H. Livingstone in your pages, referring to an exhibition arranged for and guaranteed in the space of an hour or two. I suggest another meeting such as he speaks of should be convened, with perhaps a special invitation to our friends of the former meeting, to consider this most delicate matter of "Faking and Fakers, the causes and the cure." Indeed, a side-subject might be introduced if perchance they got through the main item as quickly as they seem to have done on the occasion referred to. A suitable one I suggest would be "Price raising and price raisers," and the effects of such on the Fancy. The whole matter reminds me of a skep of bees, where, as in all skeps, we have drones and workers. It seems many, like "Old Fancier," are bent on trying to bring "old times" back again. The drones have fed on the honey for quite a lengthy period of years, but now it seems the workers mean to have a say. The time has come when they realise they are impoverishing themselves to feed the drones, and so I suggest such a meeting to fix up matters and say no one shall be impoverished by paying £15 to £20 in order to get into the skep. But the question is asked: "How can this be done?" I have come to the conclusion that 30 to 50 per cent. of the fakers are money grabbers and price raisers. I should suggest to all show committees a lowering of the prize-money, say to 6s. for 1st, 4s. for 2nd, 2s. for 3rd prize, and also a universal entrance fee of 1s. 3d., including entrance for all specials; also to say that any bird exhibited must either be bred by the exhibitor or a sum of not more than £5 has been paid for it. This, to my mind, would to a great extent stamp out these evils. I overheard a certain man in Paisley show accuse another of faking, and this man at the Glasgow show was himself accused of such, and, I must say, took it with bad grace. I thought of the blacksmith who put an iron in another's hand which he himself could not hold—"Never give a joke which you cannot take." I suggest, if Committees do find after trying such a scheme that their balance is on the wrong side, that they be assisted from a National Fund raised by a shilling subscription from all real lovers of the Scotch Fancy Canary, such, to my mind, would meet the case.

Old Country Fancier.

Mice and Rats in Aviaries.

Sir,—As regards Mr. W. Bennett losing his favourite Hybrid Redpoll-Greenfinch, also other birds, of which I was very sorry to hear, I have, I may say, had the same experience myself. If he will watch the birds just before dark, he will notice some of them looking dull, also on floor of aviary he will find some of the birds, unable to fly to their places, so hiding in corners on the floor. This is through eating mice dirt, taking it for niger seed, which makes the birds very weak. When in this state the mice attack the bird, either on the back, or under the beak; I have noticed they attack in these two places only. I give Epsom salts in water to the birds, after placing them in cages. Then I overhaul the aviary, cleaning everything down, taking care to get in all the corners, and fill all holes up with cement and broken brick. By white-washing everything you can soon tell when Mr. Mouse has made his appearance. I hope Mr. Bennett has better luck in the future.

H. Johnson.

Sir,—I had the same sorrow the year before last. I came home from L. and P.O.S. show, Holborn Hall, and found about a dozen of my poor birds (in outdoor aviary) lying dead on the floor with brains out, and breasts and under wings eaten. After a minute examination my husband found a small hole gnawed in the woodwork, to which the half-inch mesh wire-netting was fastened. He immediately got some more half-inch mesh wire-netting, and nailed it over the first, arranging it so that the holes of the new netting came half over (half way across) the old, making it quite impossible for any animal, however small, to get in that way (through the holes of the netting). I have lost none of my birds since in that way, although from time to time I find traces of mice, i.e., seeds eaten, also soft food placed on the floor. I ask myself very often if it really was a mouse which did the mischief, or some small (it must have been very small) kind of weasel or stoat.

M. A. Feist Madewell.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—As regards Mr. Allsopp's remarks, my object in writing was a desire to draw the attention of the Fancy to the varying types of Norwich which have been exhibited for the last few years. The character of the objectionable properties are well known to my friend Mr. Allsopp, and all observant fanciers. Are we to charge the judges, or the one, two, or three specialist clubs, for allowing to win good stock birds with unequal properties, and far away from the standard they have printed for the guidance of their members? Of course, Mr. Allsopp, there are, I am fully aware, more Norwich fanciers outside the specialist clubs than belong to them (I should say, by 10 to 1). Again, I know the difficulty of our artists to convey to our minds the desired Ideal. I would like to mention three pictures which I consider are typical plates of what is required, viz., the N.P.C. model and two plates in the fine standard work, "Our Canaries," the yellow cock, page 289, and buff hen, p. 330. I know the difficulties of the judges with no typical specimens in the classes before them, but instead two different types of birds in one class. The judge, however, invariably gives 1st to one type, 2nd to another and so on, the same as when judging an A.O.V. class. My desire is to remedy this sort of procedure in Norwich Plainhead classes. It is not a case of one specimen or one show. If we are going to maintain the popularity of the variety we must have a uniform class of birds, and judges appointed who know their duties.

Barker Clegg.

Sir,—I have taken up the breeding of the Norwich Plainhead, and am interested in this correspondence. Mr. Bastock says the best cross to use would be a yellow Crest-bred hen. Have we not enough, or too much crest in already? I think so. Then he speaks of a dash of Cinnamon blood in it. What sort of a Cinnamon? Not one of the winning Cinnamons of to-day, surely, as they are bred from Crests and Lancashires, and would bring heavy feather and lashing (or browing) with a vengeance. We all know how birds will throw back. Why not advise breeders to breed from good Plainhead Norwich? I should think we have had enough of crossing. Advise them not to be greedy; not to be in such a hurry to make money. Breed good type birds and breed for colour, as they did in your young days, Mr. Bastock. It can be done. What have they done with the Lancashire, with their crossing with the Crest-bred? That bird is about knocked out. I think Cinnamon blood is very good in Norwich, but you must have the old Cinnamon, that they used to send out of Northampton, to do it, not the winning Cross-breds of to-day. We have too much overlapping feather on Norwich. Keep away from Crest-breds.

E. Fuller.

Glossop.

Sir,—My advice is, stick to the Plainhead and do not introduce any foreign blood. If one uses the Crestbred for size, one is sure to make a mistake, for it will add what is not required. For instance, you will get a lot of slackness about the waist (a great throw-back in this variety). If you use Cinnamon blood you will find it will turn up when least expected. I have proved both of these points. My advice is, pair up a three-year-old cock, a yellow, that was not used the first year, and for no more than two nests the second. This bird needs to have a good large head and a full neck, and be clean cut away at waist. The head should have plenty of top skull, and the eye be bold and in the right position. Pair him to a buff hen, a variegated preferred (not cinnamon, but green), one year old, bred from a buff variegated cock and a ticked yellow hen. That will keep your green blood and your quality of feather right, if they are bred right. I have tried this method and it has proved a success for size and free from browing, and slackness at waist. You will perhaps not get all that is required the first season, but you are bound to be on the right track. I have a buff hen in my possession that I might have had £10 for last season; but I said "No!" I wanted her myself. She bred me four good ones, one buff cock and three yellow hens, of great size, and chubby, very short in tail and flights, clean in head and well cut away. Those I also want myself. In double yellowing to reduce feather, I have found there is good, and also evil; but if you get a buff from this method (or what is supposed to be a buff) it is generally a good one. Keep it, and pair it to a buff bred from yellow and buff, and you are again bound to be on the right track. The youngsters pair in the ordinary way, yellow and buff.

W. Pavey.

PAISLEY.

Annual show of the Paisley O.A., in the Tannahill Hall, Moss-st., Jan. 30, a hall well adapted for the purpose, being well lighted from overhead. The birds were nicely staged on three tiers round three sides of the hall, which gave plenty of room for the comfort of visitors. The entry was somewhat poor, probably due to the holding of the show so late in the season, or its being insufficiently advertised. At the same time fanciers in and around Paisley might have given better support to this go-ahead society. The management is in every way in capable hands, and it would be difficult to find workers to equal the very painstaking and willing band here. President, Mr. John Taylor, was much in evidence, and Sec., Mr. John Sinclair, had everything in A1 order to the minute. The Committee are too numerous to mention. Judges were: Scotch Fancies, Mr. J. Smith (Howwood) and Mr. A. Livingstone (Paisley); Nor., Mr. W. Hutchieson (Glasgow); Bord., Mr. A. K. Chalmers (Paisley); British, J. Cowan (Paisley); and all seemed to give general satisfaction.

SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CK. (1): 1, spl., Baird, nice size and thickness, good worker. BUFF (4): 1, Ferguson, fine length of side, nice thickness, determined drive, steady worker; 2, Stewart, rare top end, nice size and cond., well set on legs; 3, Alex. Baird, nice bird, not size of those in front; 4, A. M. Baird, might have gone up one, fine top end and style, could do with more size. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Stewart, Glasgow winner, looking well to-day, great size and subs., wins; 2, spl., A. M. Baird, yell. pied hen, fails in size and subs. to winner, nice head and neck. BUFF (4): 1, Ferguson, well set down on leg, fine reach and length of side, fair thickness, nice worker; 2, Stewart, Glasgow winner, soft when taking notes; 3, McDowall, grand size and subs., fine full back, could do with more action. NOR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Sinclair, good size, qual. col. and cond., nice wings, but somewhat lucky to beat 2, Martin, fine deep fronted bird, grand qual. and col., lovely head and neck, typical; 3, Devoy, good size, nice qual. of feather; 4, Stewart, grand head and neck, fine cond. and style, could have gone up one; 5, Blair. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Martin, Glasgow winner, non-fed., rare size and subs., fine head and neck, lovely qual., well staged; 2, 3, Blair, 2 nice qual., nice front, neat flights and tail, 3 nice qual., rather small; 4, Innes. BUFF CK. (7): 1, 2, Martin, grand ones, 1 cl., typical in every way, extra good qual., nice head, lovely style; 2, B.V., rare round head and thick neck, fine cobby body, neat flights and tail, beautiful qual. and cond., must have pressed; 3, 5, 7, Innes, not size or subs. of winners, nice qual. and cond., neatly carried wings; 4, Jeffrey, splendid head and neck, grand qual. of feather, we preferred for 3rd place; 6, Herd. HEN (5): 1, Martin, rare qual. and col., fine style and carr., nice head; 2, Devoy, better size, grand subs., fine head, a bit rough behind; 3, Stewart, non-fed, fine size, col. and cond., rare head, fine deep front; 4, 5, Cowan, nice qual. and cond. UNFLIG. CK. (11): 1, 7, Martin, 1 extra good yell., lovely col. and qual., fine size, head and neck, beautiful front, splendid style, wins; 2, 4, Jeffrey, buff, not a big one, fine full head and neck, lovely qual. of feather, nice short cobby bird; 3, D. Guthrie, yell. variegs., nice size, good col., but unsteady; 5, Devoy; 6, Paterson. HEN (6): 1, Martin, yell., fine size, col. and qual., nice front, grand head, lovely cond.; 2, Blair, buff varieg., medium size, fine cobby shape, nice head and neck, lovely qual., very short; 3, Devoy, buff, grand size, nice round head, good qual. and cond.; 4, Sinclair, nice wings and tail, stylish; 5, Kidd; 6, Stewart. BORD. YELL. CK. (1): 1, Craig, nice qual., neat head, nicely carried wings and tail. HEN (3): 1, Mossie, cl., lovely shape, grandly rounded body, beautifully balanced, boxy feather, sweet head, lovely pose, wins; 2, Craig, nice head, well rounded front, sweet bird; 3, Cunningham, nice cond., bit too heavy. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Cunningham, lovely col., grand texture of feather, well braced wings and tail; 2, Mossie, neat head and neck, well rounded back, good cond. and qual.; 3, Briggs, nice qual. and cond. HEN (2): 1, Potts, cap mkd., beautiful qual., fine head, nice tail, inclined to cross wings; 2, Fowlis, shown in box cage. GOLDF. (10): 1, Wallace, "Scotland's Best," rare size, lovely square-cut blaze, well tanned, lovely cond. and col., well staged, wins; 2, Livingstone, nice size and col., good face, nice wings and tail, very steady; 3, 6, Blackley, good size, nice shape, well up in col. and cond.; 4, Watson, well placed, loses in col.; 5, Trottor. LINNET (10): 1, 5, McLoy, grand big bird, full of working, grand col. and cond., shows whites on wing well, very steady; 2, Livingstone, nice size, well pencilled on breast, well placed; 3, Trottor, good size, nice col., grand cond., shows whites on wings and tail well; 4, Campbell and Boag, good bird, fine col. and cond.; 6, Trottor; 7, no name. GREENF. (6): 1, McGavin, yell., topper all over, grand shape, lovely col., sound and pure in tone, good head, grand wings; 2, Campbell and Boag, yell., medium size, rich col., nice thick bird, grand cond.; 3, McLoy, non-fed., good col. and qual., fine head, well shown; 4, buff, grand head, nice wings; 5, Michael; 6, Blackley. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Hope and O'May, Siskin, fed., yell., nice dense cap, sweet tone of col., good bib, well mkd. on wings, grand size; 2, McGavin, Mealy, nice size, stout, grand bib, nice col. and cond.; 3, Livingstone, Siskin, yell., not size of winner, lovely col., nicely mkd.; 4, Watson, Mealy, nice qual. and cond.; 5, Handley; 6, Trottor. LESSER REDPOLL (5): 1, Campbell and Boag, thick-set, good size and col., lovely cond., nice bib; 2, Hope and O'May, nice size, well mkd., grand bib; 3, Potts, good 'Poll, beaten col.; 4, Cunningham; 5, Donnelly. HEN SMALL (8): 1, Gentleman, Yellowhammer, fine size, good shape, rich col., good V-marks, lovely feather and cond.; 2, Campbell and Boag, Bullie, grand dense black cap, rich col., good size, well placed; 3, Trottor, Linnet, good size, nice col. and pencilling, fine cond.; 4, Mills, Bullie, nice hen, good bars on wings; 5, Campbell and Boag; 6, Hope and O'May; 7, no name. A.O. SMALL BRIT. (7): 1, McLean, Redstart, lovely col. and cond., beautiful feather, just too small; 2, Taylor, Black Redstart, a beauty, grand size and feather, beautifully mkd., most perfect cond., must have pressed; 3, Livingstone, Yellowhammer, lovely cond., nice head markings, sweet tone of col.; 4, Mason, Wheatear, grand size, qual. and cond.; 5, McGavin; 6, Dixon.

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TREDEGAR C.B.S.

Annual members' unlighted show, Tredegar Arms Hotel, Dec. 5, evening, all exhibits (60) except three being Yorkshires. Competition was very keen, particularly in novices, where some beauties faced the judge (Mr. J. Pritchard, Abertillery), whose awards gave general satisfaction.

CHAMP. CL. YELL. (5): 1, 3, Watkins; 2, Griffiths; 4, vhc, Bevan. MKD. YELL. (9): 1, 3, Watkins; 2, vhc, Griffiths; 4, Powell; hc, c, Bevan. CL. BUFF (10): 1 3, vhc, Bevan; 2, 4, Griffiths; hc, c, Watkins. MKD. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Bevan; 2, 4, Watkins. NOV. CL. YELL. (4): 1, 3, Llewellyn; 2, 4, Thomas. MKD. YELL. (5): 1, 4, Griffiths; 2, vhc, Llewellyn; 3, Harris. CL. BUFF (12): 1, 3, vhc, Thomas; 2, Harris; 4, c, Llewellyn; hc, Griffiths. MKD. (10): 1, 2, Harris; 3, vhc, Griffiths; 4, Beunett; hc, Llewellyn; c, Thomas.—W. B. Watkins, Sec.

LITTLEBOROUGH C.B.S.

41st annual members' show, Parish Church schoolroom, Dec. 12. Mr. T. Bennett, Bradford, judged, and gave general satisfaction. There was a very fair entry of 66 birds. Lancs. and Yorks. were out in good numbers, and some very decent birsd were on view. Norwich were few, but of very good type and quality.

LANCS. P.H.: 1, c, Adams; 2, Webster; 3, 4, hc, Fielding; vhc, Woodhead. COPPY: 1, 2, 4, Fielding; 3, vhc, Adams; hc, Woodhead. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Fielding; 2, Adams; hc, Woodhead. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Bamford; 2, Hardy; 3, 4, c, Blackburn; vhc, Webster; hc, Crossley. BUFF: 1, vhc, Crossley; 2, Bamford; 3, 4, Heathcote. UNFLIG.: 1, Blackburn; 2, 3, Crossley; 4, Hardy. NOR. YELL.: 1, Webster; 2, Hardy. BUFF: 1, Heathcote; 2, Blackburn; 3, Crossley; 4, Windle; vhc, Hardy. UNFLIG.: 1, Bamford; 2, Blackburn. C.B.: 1, Hardy. CREST: 1, Hardy. UNFLIG.: 1, Webster; 2, Hardy. BORD.: 1, Hardy. A.O.V.: 1, Crossley. BRIT.: 1, 3, Windle; 2, Bamford. GIFT.: 1, Heathcote; 2, Webster; 3, Hardy. PAIR: 1, Hardy; 2, Adams; 3, Heathcote; 4, Crossley. Sp. best Lancs. coppy, Fielding; best yellow Yorks., Bamford; best unflig. Yorks., Blackburn; rose bowl most points, Fielding.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

The annual show of matched pairs, held Jan. 23, at headquarters, the Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park, N.W., was very interesting and brought together over 120 entries, the great majority of them stock of really high-class quality. Evidently the members of this society, all good fanciers of the genuine British workman type, have birds of the right stamp in their rooms, the excellence of the pairs in the amateur and novice sections being especially a matter for congratulation. Despite the bad weather, a good number of visitors attended. The arrangements were, as usual, excellently carried out by the popular hon. sec., Mr. J. Hyde, who was ably assisted by several of the members, one of the hardest workers being that jovial old fancier, Mr. W. Shakespeare. The special for best pair fell to Mr. A. Lovegrove, a magnificent buff Norwich cock and yellow hen doing the trick. These were closely pressed by a wonderful good pair (also buff cock and yellow hen), which secured the amateur section special for Mr. W. H. Wills. The special in the novice section fell to the fine Yorkshire shown by Mr. P. Johnston. The special for best muling pair went to a grand British Goldie (12 year old, and still a breeder, we heard), and yellow hen put down by Mr. W. Shearer, this Goldie also securing the special for best British bird. The judge was Mr. G. E. Weston.

CHAMP. NOR. YELL. CK. and BUFF HEN (7): 1, 2, vhc, Lovegrove; 3, hc, Dann; c, Bell. BUFF CK. and YELL. HEN (4): 1, 2, 3, Lovegrove; vhc, Bell. YORKS., YELL. CK. and B. HEN (4): 1, vhc, Bush; 2, 3, Jones. B. CK. Y. HEN (2): 1, Jones; 2, Bush . . BORD.: 1, Dann. AMAT. NOR. Y. CK., B. HEN (11): 1, vhc, Wills; 2, 3, Hyde; hc, Mrs. Wood; c, Walmsley. B. CK., Y. HEN (6): 1, 2, Wills; 3, Large; vhc, Walmsley; hc, Rolls; c, W. Knight. YORKS., Y. CK., B. HEN (3): 1, W. Knight; 2, 3, Rolls. B. CK., Y. HEN (4): 1, vhc, W. Knight; 2, 3, Rolls. CREST: 1, Mrs. Wood. NOVICE NOR., Y. CK., B. HEN (4): 1, 2, Bailey; 3, A. Knight; vhc, Brawbridge. B. CK., Y. HEN (3): 1, A. Knight; 2, Langley; 3, Bailey. YORKS., Y. CK., B. HEN (8): 1, 3, Johnstone; 2, c, Withers; vhc, A. Knight; hc, Langley. B. CK., Y. HEN (10): 1, A. Knight; 2, Withers; 3, Johnstone; vhc, c, Shearer; hc, Newcombe. BORD.: 1, 2, Gambrill. OPEN HYB., GOLDF. and CAN. (7): 1, Shearer; 2, 3, Carrington and Petty; vhc, Hyde; hc, Bell; c, A. Knight. LINNET-CAN. (5): 1, Mrs. Wood; 2, Shorter; 3, A. Knight; vhc, Street; hc, Gambrill. GREENFINCH-CANARY: 1, Street. A.O.V.: 1, A. Knight; 2, Street. Hyde; 3, Jones; vhc, Miss Sulman; hc, Brawbridge. GREENF. (3): 1, Kent; 2, Shorter; 3, Jones. LINNET (4): 1, Shorter; 2, Jones; 3, Kent; vhc, Carrington and Petty. SISKIN, etc. (4): 1, A. Knight; 2, Jones; 3, Kent; vhc, Street. CHAFF., etc. (5): 1, Street; 2, Shorter; 3, Jones; vhc, Langley; hc, Kent. A.V. HEN: 1, Miss Sulman; 2, A. Knight. INSECTIV.: 1, Miss Sulman; 2, Brawbridge. A.V. FOR., 15s.: 1, Bailey. A.O.S. FOR.: 1, Bailey; 2, Shorter. SELL., £1: 1, Langley; 2, Newcombe.

MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

PARTICK C.B.S.—Breeding pair show, Foresters' Halls, Feb. 5. Mr. J. Crawford judged Nor., and Mr. R. Heggie Yorks., and their awards were well received. Principal winners: NOR.: Maxwell, Clark, Fraser. YORKS.: Park, Aikinhead, Anderson. HYB.: Webster, Fraser, Clark. There was a good turnout of members at the monthly meeting held in connection with the show, and a lot of general business was got through.—F. G. Park, Sec.

HARROGATE C.B.S.—3rd Members' Show, on Jan. 30, about 56 birds staged. Mr. W. A. Cowgill judged. Principal winners: CAN.: Cottam, Gill, Hamlyn, Brown, Ireland. MULES and BRIT.: Dr. Wilson.—G. H. Bardwell, Hon. Sec.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.—Pair show, Jan. 30, Wharf Hotel. Mr. W. Spencer, Hebden Bridge, judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction. Principal winners: OPEN YORKS.: Mitchell, Sutcliffe. NOV.: Hardy, Wild, Haworth, Thornton. Winners of season's competitions. Open Section: 1, cup, Mitchell; 2, Walker; 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Stobart. Novice: 1, rose bowl, Thornton; 2, Wild; 3, Hardy; 4, Twycross. Mr. W. Highley's trophy, value £1 1s., most entries, G. Mitchell.—G. Mitchell, Sec.

BLAENAVON C.B.S.—First members' show, Jan. 7, Rifleman's Arms. Over 70 birds were staged. Mr. Geo. Brown judged to everybody's satisfaction. Principal winners: NOR.: Thomas and Durham. YORKS.: Daniels, Dean, Morris, Butt, Howell. BORD.: Tapworth and Jones. ROLLERS: Taylor and Jordan. BRIT.: Dean, Morris, Parry, G. T. Jones, Sec.

Club Reports.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Members, please come as early as possible on the night of pair show, to discuss a point with regard to the cups to be competed for in 1915. There are several prizes to be won; try and bring some friends, also some new members.—H. F. Bowring, Hon. Sec.

COVENTRY O.S.

Annual general meeting, Feb. 3. We made a profit of £5 4s. 11d. after a grant of £1 11s. 6d. to the local Relief Fund. Decided to hold our Open Show Oct. 16, when we hope to have the support of all old exhibitors and new ones. The above Society has been in existence 38 years and has never failed to hold its Open Show; I think all will agree this is a record to be proud of.—A. Green, Hon. Sec.

EAST ARDSLEY AND DIS. C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 6, Mr. J. Burnell in chair. Decided to have presentation of prizes on Feb. 20, and to hold in conjunction with the same a judging competition. A. Hargreaves, Esq., vice-president, will officiate in the presentation and the competition. All members are expected to bring at least two birds. Fanciers cordially invited. Members please note time, 6.30 p.m., owing to alteration of hours.—A. Walton, Sec.

SHETTLESTON AND DIST. C.B.C.

Annual general meeting, Good Templars' Hall, Main Street. Mr. S. F. Wood in chair. Office-bearers for 1915: Pres., E. Taylor; vice-Pres., T. Forrest and W. Lunn; sec. and treas., S. F. Wood; committee, Messrs. J. Baird, R. Davidson, N. Yule, W. Williams, R. S. Jarvie, and G. A. Henderson; auditors, Messrs. R. McKenzie and J. Hood. It was decided to hold pair show Feb. 13, at 7 p.m.; yell. ck., buff hen and buff ck., yell. hen, in each of the following varieties: Crests, Nor., Borders, Yorks., Scotch Fancies, and one class each for muling and Hybrid pairs. A good turn-out is requested. New members now being enrolled. Annual subs. 3s. 6d. Particulars from S. F. Wood, Sec. (4, Tolleross Road, Parkhead, Glasgow).

CLAPHAM AND DISTRICT C.B.A.

Meeting, Feb. 2. Final arrangements for pair show were made, and Mr. J. Robson elected judge. Schedule comprises 10 Canary and 13 British classes, besides an adequate number for Foreign birds, Hybrids, and pairs. The classification, therefore, is as extensive as could be desired. This year we have rearranged our method of awarding club medals, and are giving a silver and a bronze medal for most and second most points gained during the year in each of the following sections: Norwich, Yorks., Borders, A.O.V. Canaries, Hybrids, British Hardbills, British Softbills, and Foreign, with a gold medal for most points gained during the year in any of these sections. Members not able to attend meetings lately ought to post their special prizes to sec. without delay. Pair show is at Clock House, Clapham Park Rd., Feb. 17, at 7.30.—A. R. Coe.

SOUTHAMPTON AND DIS. C.B.S.

Meeting Feb. 3rd, Mr. W. G. Fellows in chair. Mr. Norman consents to judge annual show in Dec. next. Three new members were elected. Final arrangements made for table pair show. Mar. 3. Exhibits to be judged by members, awards going to birds scoring most votes. The chairman kindly offered a prize to member whose judging card is nearest the correct result. Two new rules were passed, one of which defines the term "novice" as regards members' and open shows. The notice to rescind recent alteration in meeting nights to Wednesdays, found to be inconvenient to many (as also was the case with the old night, Monday), resulted in the first Tuesday in each month being fixed, time 8.30, but lectures and shows are to take place on dates previously fixed.—G. J. Slade, Asst. Sec.

SWANSEA C.B.A.

Monthly meeting, with a fair attendance of the old fanciers present, to try to bring the old society up to date. A discussion took place as to a meeting night, to allow all fanciers to attend, and it was decided to hold meetings in future on Saturday nights, and remove headquarters to the Mansel Hotel, Oxford Street, kindly offered by Mr. Geo. Llewelyn. It now behoves all fanciers around to give their names in, to allow the officials a really good fresh start. Next meeting, Saturday, Feb. 13 (to-night), when all are invited. Officers elected for the ensuing year: Chair, T. J. Allen; vice-chair, G. Llewelyn; committee, Messrs. J. H. Ford, J. W. Ford, F. Heal, E. M. Evans, E. P. Hoddinott, W. G. Thompson, A. E. Mitchell, A. Richard; show managers, Messrs. Phil Jenkins and J. Hocking; sec. and treas., Mr. Alf. Hitching, pro tem. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Geo. Llewelyn for placing his club room at the disposal of the committee brought a successful meeting to a close.

(The above report comes presumably from the sec., but is unsigned.—Editor.)

SHEFFIELD O.S. DINNER.

A Pleasing and Successful Function.

On Jan. 28, a company of over 100 members and friends, among whom were many ladies, spent an enjoyable evening on the occasion of the 4th annual dinner and concert of the society in the tastefully decorated room of the Stephenson's Restaurant. The toast of "The King, Queen, and the Royal Family," proposed by the Chairman, Mr. T. Dawn, was received with cheers and the singing of the National Anthem. The next principal toast of the evening, "The Sheffield O.S.," was proposed by Dr. J. G. Mylam, who expressed his pleasure in proposing so important a toast. He congratulated the society on the success which it had attained during its four years of existence, and wished it even greater success in the future. Sec. Mr. E. C. Job responded, and said that, notwithstanding the misfortune of having, in common with so many other societies, to abandon the annual open show, the year had been a successful one, and they had been able to hand over, as profits from the two members' shows, £4 15s. to the Lord Mayor's local Relief Fund, and £5 7s. 4d. to the Belgian Relief Fund. He thanked Dr. Mylam for his good wishes, and trusted they would be realised in 1915.

The Chairman presented cups and medals as follows: Yorkshire cup to Dr. Craig, his third win in succession; Norwich cup, Mr. A. H. Waters; Crest cup, Mr. J. Evans; British cup and foreign cup, Mr. O. Fletcher. Dr. Craig generously promised another Yorkshire cup to replace the one he had now won outright, and Mr. Fletcher, who had now twice won the British and foreign cups, said that he would try to win them outright next season, and if he succeeded he would present the society with two new ones.

The toast, "Visitors and Kindred Societies," was capably proposed by Mr. Woodall, who pointed out the good feeling which existed between the various Sheffield societies, and concluded by hoping that the visitors present would be spared many years to grace the annual function with their welcome attendance. Mr. T. Swain, in responding, said he knew he was speaking for all present in expressing enjoyment of a pleasant evening, and appreciation of the excellent music to which they had listened, and Mr. H. H. Towers supported Mr. Swain in his remarks.

The health of the Chairman was eloquently proposed by Mr. T. Ridal, chairman of Walkley C.B.S., who said how pleased he and everyone were to see Mr. Dawn in his old place after his recent severe illness and operation. He was sure that members of the Sheffield O.S. would never hear of having any other chairman, so long as Mr. Dawn was spared to preside over them, for no society had his equal. The toast was drunk with enthusiastic musical honours, and one of the best evenings in the history of the society came to a close.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

Ninth annual general meeting held Jan. 19. Balance sheet was passed, showing a nice balance in hand. Officers elected: Pres., Mr. E. Suddard; Vice-Pres., G. R. Rushworth, J. Farrar, L. Briggs, W. Laycock, C. Cowgill, G. Midgley, G. White, J. Taylor, R. Wilkinson; Treas., G. White; Sec., J. Spencer; Assist. Sec., G. R. Rushworth; Auditors, W. Laycock and W. Cruix.—J. Spencer, Sec.

CAMBUSLANG C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Gardner's Hall, Jan. 30. Balance-sheet presented and passed, and considered satisfactory, showing a good balance to start new season, Officials elected, Pres., Alex. Crawford; vice-pres., John Brownlie; treas., John Pearce; sec., S. Liudsay; auditors, Alex. Davidson, and Robt. Gray. Agreed to hold table show of F.M. British at next meeting, Feb. 27.—Sam Lindsay, Sec.

GREAT HORTON (Good Intent) O.S.

General meeting, Jan. 30, at Grange Congregational School. Officials for 1915; Pres., H. Worsnop; Vice-Pres. ,J. W. Kaberry, T. Tidswell and D. Bartle; Treas., A. Holden; Auditors, H. Worsnop and W. A. Brown; Y.U. delegate, J. W. Kaberry and D. Bartle; Sec., A. Firth. Meeting night to be second Saturday in each month at 7.30 at the above school. Decided to have social evening on Feb. 27, when prizes won during 1914 will be presented by our lady member, Mrs. C. M. Sunderland. We are to have two First Feather shows, June 12 and July 10, and four Old Bird shews, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11 and Jan 8, 1916. Six classes for First Feather shows and 12 classes for Old Bird shows. Up to the present we have no specials offered. If any member knows of any, please let me hear as early as possible, so we can have them put on the syllabus. Lectures will be given and two rambles will be arranged.—A. Firth, Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting and Table Pair Show, Feb. 3, Pillar's Cafe, Mr. W. Smith chair. It was announced that our President (Mr. A. Parkin) had passed away after a very short illness. Great sorrow was felt at this, as Mr. Parkin was a man who was well esteemed. Decided that a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Parkin. Decided to have a supper at next meeting, 1/- each, meeting to commence at 7. Awards at the Table Show: CL. OR MKD: 1, 4, vhc, W. Smith; 2, 3, W. Affleck. GREENS: 1, 3, W. Affleck; 2, W. Smith. CINN.: 1, 2, W. Smith. NOV., CL. OR MKD.: 1, 2, Affleck; 3, c, Render; 4, vhc, T. Smith; hc Wilson. GREEN: 1, 2, Render; 3, T. Smith; 4, A. Affleck; vhc, Wilson. CINN.: 1, A. Affleck; 2, Render. Champ. Section: Prizes given by Mr. W. P. Snaith, most points with three highest birds, W. Affleck; 2nd most, W. Smith. Nov. silver medal, given by Mr. W. Espie for most points with three highest birds, A. Affleck. Vote of thanks to the judges (Mr. T. C. Crawhall and Mr. T. Robson) brought a pleasant meeting to an end.—M. C. Potts, Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting at headquarters, 6, The Broadway, Feb. 1, Mr. W. H. Stoakley in chair, and some thirty members present. A letter was received from Mr. F. Easterling (Federation delegate) regretting his absence, and enclosing his report of the last Federation meeting. Then the question as to whether the L. and P.O.S. and Clapham shows were to be considered as open shows was very thoroughly discussed, and it was carried unanimously that Wimbledon did not consider either to be an open show, and delegates were instructed to vote accordingly. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. Easterling on his illness. Five new members were elected: Mr. C. Brown (Putney), Mr. A. Ramsey (Purley), Mrs. Baker (Merton Park), Mr. L. Howard (Merton Park), and Mr. W. Culver (Purley). Decided to hold pair show at Queen's Hall, on Feb. 16, judge, Mr. Robson. This starts competition for season of Thynne Cup and Chairman's Trophy. Mr. E. J. Pegg and Mr. F. W. Hamilton were appointed auditors. The event of the evening was the distribution of the cups, medals, and other trophies won at the annual show, and a goodly array they made. Scarcely anyone went away empty-handed. The Chairman's Trophy for most points had been well won by Mr. H. Smith, with 79 points: the Border cup for most points, given by Mrs. L. M. Thynne, went to Mr. E. J. Pegg; the Rev. H. A. Soames' Green Border Cup to Mr. W. H. Holden; and the Saunders' Cup to Mr. G. Birch, who also secured the Sandiford medal, and Society's diploma for best bird shown by a novice. Mr. Heath was awarded diploma in champion section: Mrs. Griffiths' special for best bird shown by a lady novice was won by Mrs. Farley. The distribution of about forty other special prizes brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.—G. Griffiths, Hon. Sec.

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ARDWICK & MANCHESTER DIS.

Meeting, Feb. 2, two new members were elected. Entries were taken for Table Show of Norwich pairs. Date of F.F. Show fixed for July 10. The annual social, which proved such a success last year, was arranged for Wed., March 3; tickets, 9d. each. The Committee for last year's social were re-elected. Decided that special prizes for Open Show be presented to winners on this occasion; will those concerned please note. Result of Table Show (judge, Mr. H. Boothman): YELL. CK. OR BUFF HEN, AMATEURS (19): 1, 2, vhc, Spencer; 3, Thorpe; 4, Peters; hc, Holland; c, Garbutt. B. CK. AND Y. HEN (27): 1, 4, Thorpe; 2, Peters; 3, Garbutt; vhc, hc, Spencer; c, Holland. NOVICE (4): 1, 3, 4, Warburton; 2, Robinson. Mr. Boothman was accorded the thanks of the meeting for his services as judge. Members and friends should book date of annual social, March 3, at St. Thomas's School, Thomas Street, Ardwick.—Thos. Hall, Press Corresp.

NORTHERN CREST CLUB.

Special prize winners at Newcastle show, Nov. 13 and 14: Silver medal best old bird, George Dobson; young bird, J. Tate; novice bird, J. Redpath. The Northern Crest Club Show was held at Gateshead and the section was a grand success. Special prize winners: Cup and gold medal, best old bird, C. Dobson; ditto, young Crest, A. J. Smith; ditto, young Crestbred, R. S. Bewick; silver medal, best Crest cock, C. Dobson; ditto, hen, A. J. Smith; ditto, Crestbred cock, A. J. Smith; ditto, Crestbred hen, A. J. Smith; ditto, best Crests other than cup winner, Dickinson Bros., R. Armstrong, R. S. Bewick, Jim Taylor and C. Dobson; ditto, young Crestbreds other than cup winner, J. Tate, C. Dobson, R. Armstrong, T. Bewick and A. J. Smith. Silver medal best novice Crest, J. Tate; ditto, Crestbred, Geo. Simpson. Meeting will be held at Shields Cafe, Big Market, Newcastle, 7 p.m., Feb. 20. Please note change of meeting place and night. Winners of medals who are present will get them. Any Crest fancier who wishes to join us needs only to send name on to me and I will nominate him; all are welcome.—Geo. Dobson, Hon. Sec. (103, James-st., Blaydon-on-Tyne).

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Feb. 4, Shields Cafe, Mr. Tindale in chair. Mr. J. E. Richardson (Gateshead) elected a member. Balance sheet showing balance £2 3/8, assets £14 13/-, and reserve fund £7 3/3, adopted. Letter read from Mr. T. C. Crawhall, vice-chairman, resigning that position, and saying he did not wish to be elected to any official position in the society; also letter from assist.-sec., Mr. J. Craig, 1st Cameron Highlanders, who is at present stationed in Scotland, but expects he may shortly be sent to the front again. By the way, I have still some of Mr. Craig's birds for disposal, reasonable. Mr. Tindale will open a discussion at our next meeting, March 5th, "Pairing, breeding and rearing of Canaries." Let us have a good attendance. Decided to postpone election of officers to next meeting. The following were nominated:—President, vice-presidents and patrons as 1914, with the addition of Mr. T. C. Crawhall. Chairman, Mr. R. Tindale; vice-chairman, Mr. Espie. Auditors, Messrs. C. Farrer and M. Cossar; show manager, Mr. R. Tindale; sec. and treas., Messrs. J. W. Reed and F. W. Laidlow. Committee as 1914, with addition of Messrs. N. C. Potts, J. B. Bell, W. Lyst, H. Bird and S. Lindsay. Secretary was instructed to write the Lord Mayor re Canaries for War Fund. Will those members who have been nominated for official positions and cannot accept same please let me know before next meeting? Since last meeting I have had a p.c. from Mr. Laidlow withdrawing his name. Let us have a good beat-up at next meeting; do not leave the business on a few shoulders.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

HALIFAX C.B.S.

First annual meeting, Trafalgar Inn, Feb. 4, Mr. E. Stobart presiding over a good attendance. Annual report and balance sheet showed that the Society's first year had been very successful. The Open Show made a profit of 14s. and the Members' Show £1 12s.; the members' prize money paid for the season's shows being £6 12s. All accounts have been paid and a balance of £4 remains with which to begin the second season, which it is hoped will prove as successful as the first. Members' subs. have all been paid with one exception, and it is hoped that this one will be forthcoming. Officers for 1915-16 appointed; Chair, Mr. E. Savile; Vice-Chair, Mr. P. Child; Sec., A. Sutcliffe; Treas., Mr. W. Morton; Auditors, Messrs. P. Sunderland and E. Stobart; Sub-Committee, Messrs. J. E. Priestley, E. Stobart, J. Gelder, G. Mitchell and H. W. Walsh; delegates to Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. meetings, Messrs. E. Stobart and P. Child. The challenge cup was presented to the Society by Mr. W. Morton, to whom warm thanks were tendered by Mr. Stobart on behalf of the Society. The trophy, which will be known as the Morton Cup, was handed to the winner, Mr. J. Gelder, by Mr. A. Sutcliffe, who complimented the recipient. His success was particularly praiseworthy, as Mr. Gelder was a novice competitor. Mr. G. Mitchell, another novice, was only 3½ points behind. Decided to hold an Open Show under Yorks. Union Rules. Annual sub. is 3/6, 1/- to be paid on nomination. Meeting concluded with thanks to the officers. A new member was made. Syllabus for 1915-16 is left in the hands of the Sub-Committee.—A. Sutcliffe, Sec.

YORKSHIRE C.C. OF SCOTLAND.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 26th, in Nelson's Temperance Hotel, Glasgow, Mr. R. Heggie presiding over a poor attendance. Dr. Syson tendered his resignation. Officers for 1915:—Pres., Mr. R. Heggie; vice-pres., Messrs. Park and Pinnock; sec. and treas., William Priest; auditors, Messrs. McLellan and Peters; committee, Messrs. Reilly, Girvan, Arnott, Wood, Sinclair, Steel, Martin and Penman. Agreed to adopt closed rings. Agreed that secretary, president or one of committee, along with secretary and president of club holding show, be allowed to handle any rung bird. Agreed to leave classification same as last year. Pair show, Feb. 20th, 1915, in Nelson's Temperance Hotel, at 3 p.m. Classification same as last year. Judge, Mr. Penman or Mr. Anderson. Entry sixpence per cage. Balance-sheet for 1914 was adopted. New member Mr. D. D. McLaren (Perth). Principal prize-winners for 1914: Champion rose bowl and medal, Heggie, 61½ points. Novice bowl, Telfer, 8 points. Most points old cock classes, Heggie, 56½ points. Old hens, Heggie, 60 points. Variegd. cocks, Heggie, 52½ points; variegd. hens, Heggie, 36½ point;, 2nd most points variegd. classes, Cochrane, 12 points; most points young cocks, Heggie, 45 points; young hens, Heggie, 23 5-6 points. Young bird gaining most points, Martin, 24 points. Most points by novice at nominated show, Ferguson, 12 points, Glasgow and Dist. Most points with birds out of money, Heggie, 79 points; 2nd most points, Gray, 26. Most points by member joining 1914, Ferguson, 14 points. Most points with birds out of money, novice, Telfer, 12. Most points, 4th prize birds, Heggie, 28 points. Club 5/- spls., Glasgow and Dist., Gray, 18; West of Scotland, Heggie, 14 points; Queen's Park, Martin, 19 points; Scottish National, Cullen, 5. Anyone wishing to join Y.C.C. of Scotland can have full particulars from hon. secretary, — Wm. Priest (6, Orchard-st., Partick).

IRVINE C.B.S.

Meeting, held Jan. 30, Mr. W. S. Clark, president. Members unanimous for club show. Show to be held Feb. 20th, judge Mr. A. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch; 30 classes, Norwich, Scotch Fancy, Brit. and Bord. Medal to be given by B.F.C.C. Show confined to a radius of five miles. Prizes, 5s., 3s., 1s. 6d., and 6d. Entries close Feb. 13, at 7 p.m.—Hugh M. Ferguson, Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting, Feb. 8, at 60, Paddington Street, Mr. J. A. Chard presiding. Owing to the wet evening very few members were present. Our Hon. Sec. has scored another record, as eight new members were elected, and eight nominations received for election at the next meeting—these will constitute a list of 140 active members. Closed rings will again this year be provided, and members are requested to make early application to our Hon. Sec. as to the number they will require. Result of voting for judges for the coming season: Canary section (3 shows), Mr. Robson; British section, young bird show, Mr. G. E. Weston; annual and pair show, Mr. C. Prior. Mr. A. J. Marley, who was to have lectured on "British Birds," wrote that he was prevented from attending owing to his military duties, but sent a paper on the subject, which was very ably read by Mr. V. Wynn, and proved to be most interesting and instructive. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Marley.—F. Thynne, Asst. Hon. Sec.

GLASGOW AND WEST COUNTIES NOR., MULE, BRIT., & F.B.C.

Annual general meeting, Feb. 6, Good Templars' Hall, Ingram Street. Mr. Peter Pettigrew presided over a good attendance. Balance-sheet was read and adopted, and at present there is a substantial credit balance. Specials won at annual show were handed over to winners, and a grand and varied collection they made, comprising smoked hams, cheese, cakes, medals, and cash specials galore. Mr. Peter Pettigrew, after considerable persuasion, was elected pres., Mr. G. Bannerman vice-pres., Mr. W. Munroe treas., Mr. J. H. Adam sec.; committee, Messrs. J. Dick, J. Cross, W. Cassels, J. Findlay, J. Liddell, Messrs. J. Livingstone, J. McGowan auditors. New members elected: Messrs. Cochrane, J. Wilson, W. Hamilton. Decided to hold pair show Feb. 20. Good Templars' Hall, Ingram Street, at 6.30. Classification: Cl. or tkd. Nor., variegd., do. cl. or tkd. Bord., variegd., ditto, A.O.V. Can. Fanciers desirous of becoming members (the club caters for all varieties of Canaries except Scotch Fancy and Belgians), can have full particulars from sec.; annual subs., 4s.—J. H. Adam, Hon. Sec., 15, Alexander Street, Sandyford, Glasgow.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Feb. 6. Club sing, 35 birds entered for three minutes' times singing. 1, Clayton, 76; 2, Wingham, 64; 3, Jones, 63. Open sing, Feb. 7, 35 entered. 1, Williams, 65; 2, Beard, 63; 3, Nelson, 57.—S. Pugh, Sec.

WIGAN.

A singing contest (time and quality) will be held at Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, Sat., Feb. 20. The proprietor, Mr. Sam Fishwick, will give £1 to be sung for. Entrance fee 1s. each bird. First pair staged at 2.15 prompt.—A. Leyland, Sec.—(Advt.)

CASTLEFORD.

Castleford and District Linnet Club held weekly contest at "George and Dragon," Bridge Street, Feb. 6, for four prizes, when 43 birds were bung. Winners: 1, S. Morley, 111 secs.; 2, J. Williams, 95; 3, E. Smith, 87; 4, J. Williams, 78. We also had contest on Feb. 7, when S. Morley took all the three prizes.—S. Morley, Sec.

PENDLEBURY & SWINTON C.B.S.

Very successful Linnet contest, Feb. 6, at Working Men's Club. Thirty-five birds entered, and some good singing was heard. Mr. Geo. Bates was judge. Timers, E. Hickman and R. Wisley. Result: Quality: 1, 2, Dixon; 3, Statham; 4, Colbourn. Time: 1, Donnelly, 195 secs.: 2, Knowles, 172; 3, Grimshaw, 98; 4, Lord, 97.—A. Donnelly, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Kippax Linnet Club, Commercial Hotel. Members' sing, Feb. 6, 20 birds entered; T. Hall and Fauldy, timekeepers; and J. Cooper and J. Wallis tappers. 1, Collinson; 2, Liversidge; 3, Cooper. Only six seconds divided the three prize winners, and it was a question which bird would win; but R. Collinson's bird sang biggest break and won.—R. Plows, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green. Open contest for quality Linnet singing held Feb. 6th, when six birds sang for three prizes: 1, F. Johnson; 2, Ward; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, Jennings and Naylor. Feb. 7th, 28 birds sang for four prizes: 1, F. Johnson; 2, Stead; 3, F. Johnson; 4, Ward. Judges, Lacy, Naylor and F. Chadwick. Roller contest, Feb. 7, 14 birds sang for three prizes: 1, 2, Condliffe; 3, Stead. Judges, Madden and Naylor.—W. Naylor, hon. sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ROOSTS ALL DAY (Novice). You should have given some particulars about your treatment, feeding, etc., and described as well as you could any symptoms shown besides merely roosting all day and opening and closing the claws, which does not explain much. She may be a little run down, or even nothing worse the matter than being overfed, and consequently lazy. Add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water daily for three or four days, then stop this and give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day for a fortnight. Also give every second day a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, in addition to the usual seed diet, and on the alternate days give a spray of watercress. If this does not have the desired result, write again, and give the particulars mentioned, when I will endeavour to help you.

CLEANING HUSKS FROM SEED (Bird Shop).—Blow more gently; that should be the obvious remedy to prevent the husks getting in the eyes and about the dress. Or you might empty the contents of the hoppers on to a tray, and take it into a suitable open space in the open air in a gentle breeze, and, standing with your back or side

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

to the wind, gently toss the seed about on the tray, and allow the wind to blow the husks away from you, aiding the dispersal, if necessary, by blowing with your breath, or if a large quantity you may blow it very gently with a small bellows. Small winnowing machines have been described in our columns which are easily made by a handy man, but except when there are large quantities of seed to deal with, it is barely worth the trouble of making one.

COCK WITH THREE HENS (Birdie).—You should have mentioned the size of the cage definitely, as "a long cage" may mean almost anything. If the cage is really of a good size, so that you could put up half a dozen nesting sites without crowding them upon each other, there is no reason why you should not succeed by running one cock loose with three hens for breeding. But if the cage is not a very large one, you would probably get better results from keeping each hen in a separate cage—single-breeder size—and mating the cock with them consecutively, leaving each hen to hatch out and rear the young by herself.

MATING QUERIES (J. Kay).—(1) It is just possible that you may meet with success in breeding with a cock and two hens all together in a cage 2ft. by 26ins. by 26ins. high, but much will depend upon the temperament of the individuals, and you would be practically certain to get better results from mating them separately in single breeding cages, and running the cock with them consecutively. I have known many trios of birds make a hash of things in even a larger cage than yours. (2) If you mate a cock Mule with a hen Canary you must do it purely as an experiment, and not expect any result whatever. Mules are, as a rule, quite sterile, and although there are a very few cases on record wherein a mule parent has apparently had offspring, such cases are so extremely rare, and always exceedingly dubious, that such a mating should never be looked forward to as a productive union.

BREATHES HEAVILY (M. C.). See that the bird is quite free from direct cold draughts, that it does not hang in or very near a window, nor quite near or over burning lights in the evening. Keep in a fairly comfortable place, but not over-heated, and as equable as you can manage. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only, and separately give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle every second day, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake, with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a morsel of green salad four times a week. Continue this feeding for three or four weeks. In the drinking water add ten drops of lemon juice, and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence every second day for a week, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and four of dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

GROWTH ON BEAK (Not Singing Roller).—Your letter gives no clue whatever as to the nature of the growth, or its position. Could not you manage a rough sketch to show the latter, and describe its appearance? If it is merely an overgrowth of the tip of the lower portion of the beak, you can carefully snip off the excess growth with a small pair of nail or embroidery scissors so as to bring the mandibles to an equal length, but be careful not to go quite near the pinkish streak you will see on the beak near the margin all round. After this trimming keep a piece of cuttlefish stuck in the wires for the bird to nibble at and thus help to keep the growth down.

ROLLER HEN WEAK (Borderer). I should say the hen is abnormally weak and delicate in constitution, and not likely to be of any material use as a stock bird. However, you may try what a month of the following treatment will do for her. Give a staple of plain canary only. In addition, give separately every third day half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the intervening days give first a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and broken groats and a fair sized spray of watercress, and next a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with three drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with soft sugar. Add to the water ten drops of syrup of buckthorn for three consecutive days, and afterwards give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food four times a week for a month.

A YORKSHIRE DUET (E. H. G.).—(1) You should not limit the bird to a diet of sloppy foods, which will not make matters any better. In addition to the staple of plain canary seed, give every second day half a teaspoonful of scalded rape seed, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of dry summer rape and a morsel of banana. A small teaspoonful of mixed seeds may be given twice a week. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea for three consecutive days, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and four of dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week or a fortnight, as may seem necessary. (2) Very lightly moisten the bare spot once with tincture of iodine, and after that slightly anoint it twice a week for a month with sulphur ointment.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

THRUSH IN MOULT (May E. N. Sclater). Your feeding is excellent, and the bird should do well on it, which I expect he does, but no doubt has managed to take cold. Whatever you do, be careful of a draught, and keep him in as even a temperature as possible. If the bird is still suffering from a cold, make up a mixture of equal parts of glycerine, fresh lemon juice, and whisky, and give 30 drops in an ounce of water. Mix half-teaspoonful of extract of malt and hypophosphates in the soft food. Commence with less than this quantity or the bird may refuse to eat it. This treatment should soon have the desired effect and put him right.

PAIRING LINNET-CANARY (Bosco).—As a rule, the Linnet will attach itself to one hen and neglect any other it may be put with. Of course, individuals thing, but he was an exception to the rule. As you have a Goldfinch as well as a Linnet, I would advise you to pair the former with one of your Canary hens, and let that be his partner only. The Goldie differ, and I knew of one could be run with anycan be run with more than one, and if you have a three-compartment cage, place a Canary hen at each end and the Finch in the centre. When the breeding time comes, which will be when the Finch is ready (that is, some time in April), you can let him run with one bird until she goes to nest, and then with the other, putting in a wooden partition between them and the first hen. You can tell when the Finch is ready by his beak being perfectly clear and his singing to the hen he fancies, and otherwise "showing off." Meanwhile, the hen romps

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should consult Moulton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2. "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Ballfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

about the cage flapping her wings and repeatedly calling. The Linnet is ready for breeding when his beak has turned to a dark slatey-blue, and he is in full song. The fact of your Finch being a freshly-caught bird would not prevent him breeding when he has got used to the Canaries.

INSECTILE MIXTURE (Reader).—It is against our rule to give the name of the maker of any particular food, but if you look on the first page of advertisements in last week's CAGE BIRDS you will see the food you want for Nightingales, Wagtails, etc. If you are unable to get it in your district the makers would send it to you by post. You are quite right in giving the bird the mealworms.

TROUBLE WITH FRESHLY-CAUGHT LINNETS (Silliw). I think the trouble arises from your not getting the birds early enough (that is, soon after they are caught), also your giving them too much dried seed. Newly-caged birds should be well supplied with soaked rape, canary, and teazle. They should have a little of this fresh every day. In addition to the soaked seed they should be offered a mixture of linseed, maw, niger, dandelion, thistle, etc., and a little cracked hemp. A pinch of common salt among this will aid digestion. I would also advise you to use rain water for a time; but if you are unable to get this, then try boiled water. With this treatment I think you would have a better percentage of successes than you do. As an aperient try glauber salts instead of that you have been using.

FEEDING LINNETS (Workman's Hobby).—The two birds you have will be quite right for breeding purposes. It is not absolutely necessary for a bird to be cage-moulted for muling. Get them as steady as you can, and they should do nicely. (2) You do not say if you are giving them anything beyond the Finch mixture, but if you want to bring them on to sing I would advise you to treat them on the following lines. Make up a mixture of gold of pleasure, niger, plantain, sesame, and thistle, 2 ozs. of each, dandelion, maw, lettuce 1 oz. each. Give a teaspoonful daily, also a little cracked hemp every other day. This should be in addition to their plain everyday seed. With this treatment your birds will soon come on to song, and be quite fit for breeding when they are in full song, and the beak a dark blue-grey.

FRESHLY-CAUGHT GOLDIE (Borderer).—Keep the bird in a cage by himself and give him a pot of cracked hemp, teazle, niger, maw, and a little canary! Crack a few sunflowers and supply him with these as he eats them. Soak a little rape and teazle and give him a spoonful daily, gradually decreasing it as he gets on to dry seeds. A good stock mixture is teazle 4 parts, Canary 3 parts, hemp 2 parts; a little niger and maw occasionally, and if you can procure a packet of good wild seed mixture give a teaspoonful on alternate days, and a few sunflower seeds on other days. When the spring comes supply dandelion, sow thistle, groundsel, and other wild green food. I would advise you to send to this office for the "Nutshell" booklet on the Goldfinch, price 2½d., post free. You will find in it all particulars as to management. For advice on feeding the Linnet see "Workman's Hobby" and other replies in this issue.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abertillery C.B.S.—Feb. 14, The Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. Special business.—H. H. Mortimer.

Alfreton C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Red Lion, 5.30. Table show of matched pairs. Meeting at 6; election of officers, etc.—G. Beardall.

Annfield Plain F.F. and C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Queen's Head, 7 p.m. Show bus.—M. Archer.

Ardwick and Manchester G.B.A.—Feb. 14 St. Thomas Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8 p.m. Table show, Yorkshire pairs. Judge, Mr. W. Downing.—J. Spencer.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—Feb. 20, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 3. Pair show, all varieties. Birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. H. Boothman, Manchester. —J. Whitehead.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Feb. 16, Ablett's Cafe, 8 p.m. Pair show, classes for all varieties. 1s. special each class, also 5s. presented by Mr. Caine for 4 highest pairs. Judge, Mr. T. Rowlands.—G. Morton.

Blaenavon C.B.S.—Feb. 18, Crown Hotel, 6.30. Mr. Geo. Broome will give a washing exhibition, and questions relating to rearing and feeding will be answered.—G. T. Jones.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Victoria Hotel, 7.45. Yorkshire Union ballot paper and other business.—H. Bryant.

Bradford East O.S.—Feb. 17, Park Chapel Schools, 8 o'clock. Special bus.—J. Spencer.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Feb. 13, Shoulder of Mutton, 7.30. Ballot paper and other important bus. Note change of time owing to early closing.—F. P. Terry.

Burnley O.S.—Feb. 17, Star Inn, Church Street, 7.30. Important bus. Show date; fanciers inside 14 miles' radius are invited to become members.—T. Chadwick.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Feb. 18, Maskell's Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for next year; elect auditors; all subs. to be cleared.—E. Thomas.

Chorley C.B.S.—Feb. 17, White Lion Inn, 7.30. Very special bus.; consideration of removal.—J. H. Welch.

Clydebank C.B.S.—Feb. 18, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Final arrangements for pair show and perhaps a lecture on British birds by Mr. Craig, Tollcross.—W. Kane.

City of Bradford O.S.—Feb. 13, Flying Dutchman, 8 prompt. Election of officers and revision of rules to Yorkshire Union.—W. Hellwell.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Feb. 15, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Table show, A.V. Canary pairs, Selling 15s.—F. A. Green.

Crystal Palace C.B.S.—Feb. 17, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 7.30. Pair and Finch show. Mr. H. Norman, judge. Rule 11 not 10; 2 silver points cups.—W. D. Fryett.

Cummock C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Auchlinleck, Lesser Town Hall, 7. Special meeting about new cup, and a bird washing lesson for the instruction of younger members.—A. Wyper.

Darlington C.B.S.—Feb. 13, George Hotel, 2 prompt. Table show, Yorks., Nor. A.O.V., Mules, Goldf. or Bullf., Linnet, Siskin, etc., Greenie, etc., and A.O.V. E. Todd.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Black Bull, 7. Annual meeting, balance-sheet, election of officers, dinner and presentation of cups. All attend.—G. Hunt.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Feb. 16, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, 7.30. Judging competition; members please bring some birds.—D. Reeks.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Feb. 16, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Election of judges and classification for annual show, etc., new members enroller. Good turnout requested.—J. C. Charlton

Fife C.B. League.—Feb. 20, Minto Hotel, Lochgelly, 6. Smoker at 7. Auditor's report and financial statement. Cup to be presented to Lochgelly C.B.S. at smoker.—J. Cordery.

Great Horton O.S.—Feb. 15, Butchers' Arms, 7. Most important.—J. Holroyd.

Garston Bird Breeders' Assn. Feb. 18, Club-room, Earp Street, Garston, 8. Canary pair show, Muling and Hybrid pairs, and also British birds. Birds to be staged by 8 o'clock. M. J. Abbott, judge.—A. T. Mullock.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Queen's Head Inn, 7.30. Business important.—R. H. Dixon.

Halifax C.B.S.—Feb. 18, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 7.30. Voting for judges of Yorks. Union shows, voting on Yorks. Union annual ballot paper.—A. Sutcliffe.

Halifax Ornithological Society.—Feb. 13, West Ward Liberal Club, annual whist drive and social 7, tickets 9d.—H. Clegg.

Huddersfield O.S.—Feb. 20, Headquarters, 7. Lecture on "Pairing," by Mr. W. Skinn, and members' annual winter show. Judge, Mr. Binns, Cleckheaton. Birds staged 2.—A. Lawford.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Feb. 13, Railway Hotel, 7. Distribution of prizes. Friends heartily welcomed. Amalgamation meeting at 6 p.m.—W. H. Symes.

Laisterdyke Bowling and Tong Combination.—Feb. 13, Railway Hotel, 6 prompt. Time for distribution of prizes, also contribution of members who are going to take part in showing, as no points count until subs. are paid.—J. E. Hudson.

Lancaster C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Market Hall. Coffee Hall, 7.30. Balance-sheet, election of officers, and other important bus.—H. Hoyle.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Feb. 20, Y.M. Halls, 6. F.M. Goldie, F.M. A.O.V. Cock, F.M. A.O.V. Hen. Judging competition.—A. Thomson.

Leicester C.B.S.—Feb. 17, Hare and Pheasant, 8 to 10. A.V. Nor., H.V. or Green, Open and Novice, A.O.V. Can., Open or Novice, Pairs for Mule breeding. Please bring ticket money for late charity show.—J. Hardbattle.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Feb. 16, White Swan, 7.30. Table show and charity show prize money.—A. Freestone.

Leigh C.B.S.—Feb. 17, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Table show of mixed British and a 10s. Selling Class. Judge, Mr. W. Ordish. All birds to be staged before 8 o'clock; 3d. entry.—R. Charleson.

London and P.O.S.—Feb. 18, Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street (adjoining the old G.P.O.). Pair show and table show of Hybrids, Brit., and For., 6.30. Judges, Messrs. J. Robson and G. Mortlock.—H. L. Huggins.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Feb. 15, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Members requested to return tickets and ticket-money from Feb. 1st show.—F. Wilkinson.

Northern Crest Club.—Feb. 20, Shields and Son Cafe, Big Market, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 7. Balance-shee, election of officers.—G. Dobson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Feb. 16, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Committee report and general bus. Friends invited.—A. Colley.

Portobello C.B.S.—Feb. 15, Masonic Hall, Tower Street, 8. General meeting and pairs show. Judge, Mr. John Leach. Fanciers cordially invited to become members.—Wm. Baxter, Sec.

Plymouth W.C.O.S.—Feb. 16, Oddfellows Hall, Morley Street. Discussion on advertising. Members and fanciers please turn in.—W. Luscombe.

Pudsey and Stanningley C.B.S.—Feb. 13, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 6 prompt. Presentation of prizes and social evening. Chairman, J. Butler, Esq., new Pres. of Yorkshire Union, who is a member of our society. R. Kell.

St. Quintin's Park F. and F.S.—Feb. 18, show of pairs and lecture.—A. S. Tarrant.

Southern Border F.C.—Feb. 15, Headquarters, 7.30. Annual general meeting. Please fill up and send in ballot papers, and do your best to attend. —G. Burton.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Feb. 13, Headquarters, 7.30. Arrangements for annual meeting, members' prize money, etc.—J. Peacock.

Tredegar C.B.S.—Feb. 13, "Silver Grill," 7. To receive balance sheet open show, and arrange date and place for members' matched pair show.—W. B. Watkins.

Walkden and District Roller S.—Feb. 16, Stocks Hotel, Walkden, 7.30. Important bus.—E. Hibbert.

Wanstead F. and F.S.—Feb. 18, Cambridge Park Hall, Wanstead, 8. Fixtures for 1915.—H. S. Lofthouse.

Wigan and Dis. Roller C.C.—Feb. 13, Queen's Head, 6.30. Business important. Members and friends specially invited.—P. Greenall.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

GREY PARROT (Ava).—The bird would be best kept in the one room and not changed about. Stop giving the bread soaked in milk and tea, but to avoid too sudden a change, moisten the bread with chemical food and water (three parts chemical food to one of water). So long as bowels are not waterloose give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day. You can add to your dietary, nuts, plain biscuit and plain cake. Keep grit (not sand), cuttlebone, and the piece of a branch continually in the cage. Feather-picking arises from such as skin irritation, parasites, and also in many cases is simply a vice; in the latter case it is practically incurable. In any case improvement will be slow and you must persevere with the treatment. Spray the bird twice a week

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

with a tepid quassia solution, but while the cold weather lasts you had better cover round the sides of the cage (leave top uncovered), till the plumage is quite dry. You would find the Grey Parrot "Nutshell," 2½d., post free, from our Manager, very helpful as to general treatment.

PARRAKEET (W. P.).—Continue in every detail the treatment already advised. If the bird will allow you to handle it, foment the eyes with a rose-water and zinc eye solution (from any chemist), but avoid getting any into its mouth. This bird must be kept as warm as possible, where the temperature is even and there is no draught. Get also a box of honey and borax, and put a little in its mouth once or twice daily, so long as the mixture lasts. You can easily give this from the end of a stick, but the stick must be well cleansed each time before being put into the mixture. Lightly spray the bare parts with tepid water every other day, but see that it does not take a chill while the plumage and skin are damp. You must keep the bowels moving quite freely; at the same time you must not keep up a state of chronic diarrhœa. Lightly anoint every other day the dry scaly areas of skin with boracic ointment. The cage must be kept very clean, and voidings should be promptly removed. As soon as the trouble has passed, the cage, perches, and food vessels should be thoroughly cleansed with boiling water, every crevice being well swilled.

BUDGERIGARS, ETC. (Beginner).—It is not dangerous to handle Budgerigars, but their beaks are needle sharp and they are quite ready to give you a sharp nip while you hold them. It is best to wear a pair of garden gloves till you are accustomed to the operation. If you wish to try and cross them, try mating a cock Budgerigar with a hen Madagascar Lovebird. It does not do to say anything is impossible, but I should say it was very improbable that a Java Sparrow would mate up with a Canary. Try a cock Java with a hen Cutthroat or a hen Red-headed Finch. The former cross has been successfully reared once in this country.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

E. R. Crisp.—We have not had any enquiries re the Blackbird. We hope you are now enjoying better health.

Henry J. Davis.—Your self-styled "pertinent" question strikes us as being decidedly impertinent. We have no use for personalities of this nature. It is so easy to scoff at and to criticise the work of other fanciers. The point is: Can you write something more helpful to fanciers and the Fancy? If so, send it along for publication and earn the gratitude of your fellow bird-breeders.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates**, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

F. Bradshaw.—Cock bird, second year. Cause of death, pneumonia

J. S. F., Red-vented Bulbul.—Advanced disease of liver and spleen. Both these organs considerably enlarged, showing lesions similar to those seen in septic fever.

1914 YORKSHIRES; one cock, 5/-; five hens, 2/6 each; good leggy birds: J. G. Windress, South Parade, Northallerton. (65)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6; stamp reply: Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (21)

TWELVE good hens for sale, buffs, buff and yell. var., 3/6 each, two 6/-; approval: Edwin Clubbe, 33, Louise-st., Chester. (68)

T. C. CRAWHALL, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne, offers a few of his well-known strain, singles or pairs. (47)

YORKSHIRE cocks and hens, splendid quality, bred from winners, 7/6 to 25/-: R. Marshall, 48, Okehamptou-st., Exeter. (69)

TYPICAL clear cock Yorkshire, in full song, 7/6; another variegated, 7/6; cage with each: H. Dawson, 56, Walcott-st., Hull. (67)

YORKSHIRES from best English strains, offered very cheap to reduce stock, bargains, pairs: Johnston, 52, Leonard-st., Perth. (72)

TWELVE Yorkshire Canaries (1914), 4 cocks, 6/6 each, 8 hens 3/- each; lot 45/-: H. Clark, The Cricketers, Chatteris, Cambs. (56)

YORKSHIRES, clears, marked; cocks, 6/-; hens, 2/9; cold-room; approval; cash or deposit: Wright, 73, Ash-grove, Wavertree, Liverpool. (65)

YORKSHIRES, 25 hens, 12 cocks, 5x4x2ft. flight, 4 breeding, 6 box cages, good condition: Whitby, 31, Therapia-rd., Honor Oak, S.E. (52)

LONG upstanding Yorkshires, champions, 10/6 and 12/6 per pair; single birds 7/6; approval.—Roberts, Stanhaley, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (81)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

TEN surplus hens, clears, ticked, and cinnamon, winning strain, room wanted, 2/6 each; few cocks, 5/-: Hooper, 5, Waterloo-rd., Barnsley. (74)

TWO Yorkshire cocks, full soug, 5/- each, a few good hens 4/- and 5/- each, 1914 birds, colour-fed: J. Hamer, 194, Leigh-rd., Leigh, Lancs. (70)

TWELVE Yorkshires (1914) hens, yellow and buff, 5/- each; also 4 cocks, 3 yellow, 1 buff, 7/6 each: Gregory, Havelock-terr., Jarrow-on-Tyne. (79)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, grand, long, slim, typical cocks from 5/-; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colin-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (47)

GRAND upstanding birds, buffs and yellow unflighted cocks, 7 inches long, also some grand hens cheap: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (70)

FEW good Yorkshires for sale, related to my winners; cocks from 7/6; hens from 3/6; approval: Foxen, 8, Aberdeen-buildings, Bromley, Kent. (66)

FOR sale, lengthy unflighted yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6 each; hens 5/- each: Cobley, 69, High-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (79)

CHAMPION stock birds for disposal, mostly winners, pure Ambler's strain; approval: Messrs. Sharpe and Hibbitt, 19, Melton-rd., Oakham (77)

CHAMPION yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 7in. long, 15/- each; hens from 3/- to 10/-; seven days' approval: Gater, Jones-sq., Troedyrhiw, Glam.

CHAMPION buff Yorkshire cock, winner, 15/-; bargain; yellow and buff hens 6/-; rare length and quality: Lloyd, 84, Chichele-rd., Cricklewood, N.W.

SPECIAL notice, 5 pairs Yorkshires, grand young birds; cocks, full song, 6/6 pair; worth double; approval: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire.

1914 BRED, high-class Yorkshires, colour-fed, mostly clears; cocks, 10/- to 15/-; hens, 5/- to 10/-; inspection invited: Black, 3, Westbourne-ter., Hove.

SEVERAL smart pairs slim, stylish Yorkshires from 25/-; few odd hens from 7/6, rare quality; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London.

COLOUR-FED unflighted exhibition Yorkshires, cocks full song, 7/6, 10/-; evenings, 6 to 9, Saturdays, Sundays, all day: The Breeder, 222, Ribblesdale-rd., Strfeatham.

GOOD Yorkshires for sale, yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, prices low; state requirements; also large clear buff Norwich cock, 5/6: A. Barber, St. Philip's-rd., Leicester.

SURPLUS stock: a few young Yorkshire hens, cold-room bred, from 5/-; inspection invited; also two gentlemen's bicycles: Scott, 110, Shakespeare-rd., Acton, London.

CLEARANCE sale.—Grand Yorkshires, cups and diploma winners, grand yellow and buff hens, also cocks, 5/- upwards; cages and appliances cheap: Lomas, Litton, Buxton.

WINNING Yorkshires, long, racy birds, cocks guaranteed full song, 5/-; hens, 3/-; satisfaction guaranteed; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: Imeson, Commercial House, Ossett.

BREEDING stock, buff cock, 7/6; splashed buff cock, 8/-; 2 buff hens, 3/6; yellow hen, 3/6; feeding hen, 2/6; buff cock, 1914, 6/6; hen, 2/6: Brooke, 19, Birkbeck-rd., S. Ealing.

FINE Yorkshire Canaries, my winning strain, guaranteed full song: cocks 5/-, racy hens 3/-; no swank; 7 days' approval cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett, Yorkshire.

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, few grand, slim, racy yellow or buff hens, for sale, 4/-, 5/-, 6/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Wm. Clough, Leg Green, Mirfield, Yorkshire.

SMART stylish Yorkshires: I have a few grand birds for sale, show or stock, quality unbeatable; cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-: G. Mitchell, 19, Charlotte-st. Breck, Sowerby Bridge.

SMART upstanding Yorkshires, splendid feather; cocks, full song, 7/6 upwards; hens, 5/-; pairs to breed winners, 12/6 to £1; approval, deposit: Gamble 9 Prison Quarters, Winchester.

CHAMPION York hires, splendid length, type and quality, typical cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval, satisfaction guaranteed: Priestley, 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford.

GOOD stylish Yorkshires, cheap to clear; cocks, 6/6, 8/6; hens, 2/6, 4/6; pairs from 7/6; buff Belgian cock, 6/-; yellow, 8/6; full of style; particulars: Ridley, Bancheroft, Melbourne, Derby.

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, cocks from 6/6, hens from 3/6; show or stock birds; on approval, all bred from prize winners, cash or deposit: G. Hyman, Bells-rd., Mansfield, Notts.

SEVERAL open novice winners, 10/6 upwards; being overstocked, offer several well-matched pairs under half value; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, deposit: Johnson, 123, Ferme Park-rd., Strond Green, N.

HUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Tobacconist, 13, Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire.

W. STANILAND, has his buff Yorkshire for sale, 2 year reserve for cup at Newark, £2 15/-; also two young of 3rd prize and reserve, 9/6 and 10/6; also some 6/6 each, approval, deposit: Collingham, Newark.

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, York shire.

RELIEVING OFFICER, DRIFFIELD, has some grand Yorkshire cocks, many 7in. long, splendid colour and quality, 7/6 to 25/- some lovely slim, upstanding hens, 5/- to 12/6, no better wanted; approval willingly.

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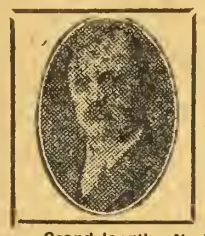
20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- per pair.



The above strain needs no bounce. All I need do is to refer you to the reports of leading shows. My birds are winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. I have also bred and sold birds that have won for my clients all over the country. Testimonials in proof of this are always open for the inspection of my visitors. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks**, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Good Cobby Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Matched breeding pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Erect racy Hens**, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. **Matched Breeding Pairs**, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. **EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES**, bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each upwards.

JAN., 1915. UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. JAN., 1915.

The following testimonials, in addition to hundreds of others (which are always open for the inspection of my visitors), have been received during January, 1915.

Montreal, Canada.—The 4 birds you sent me did well at our show. I got 4 **Firsts** and 4 **Specials** with them. The buff Crest hen won **1st and spl. for best Crest hen in show**; the yellow Crest hen, **1st and 2 specials.** Those two were also entered for the C. and C.B. Cup, which I won. The Yellow Green Yorkshire won **1st and Silver Medal for best green** in show. There were 15 birds in his class. The Clear Buff Yorkshire Hen also won 1st. Your birds have opened the eyes of a few fanciers out here.—**P. J. Thomas to Joe Thomas. 237, Chapel Street, Leigh, Lancs.**—I am pleased to say the **Buff Norwich Cock** won **First** at our show. I am very proud of him. **J. Dawson to Joe Thomas. Mount Grace, Potter's Bar, Middlesex.**—Many thanks for the **2 Yorkshire Cocks** you sent me. I got **1st and 2nd** with the 2 birds in a class of 13. The birds deserve more than you claim for them. They are real beauties.—**G. Ogleton to Joe Thomas. Rotherby, Leicester.**—I am very pleased with the **Roller Cock.** He sings beautifully.—**J. M. Snodin to J. Thomas. 13, Broughty St., Leigh.**—Thanks for the bird you sent. **I have had more than double offered for it.** I have had birds from all over the country, **but none to equal it.**—**J. Cowburn to Joe Thomas. 29, Sydney Road, Tilbury.**—The **pair of Norwich** arrived safely in good condition and very comfortable. They are a very nice pair, and I shall be sending for more at an early date. **J. E. Petty to Joe Thomas.**

Considerations of space only prevent me from publishing scores similar to above, **but please remember this: I guarantee the same absolute satisfaction to all customers.**

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British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each **Hens, same pure strain, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. Matched Pairs**, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-.

Mules.—Over 150 Goldfinch and Linnet Mule cocks in full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each. Few extra large Dark Mules, fit for exhibition, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- each.

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HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, few long, stylish, yellow and buff cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; good hens, 3/6, 5/-, 6/-; matched pairs, 12/-, 15/-, 18/-; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (77)

C. CATTELL, Breeder and Exhibitor high-class Yorkshires; few good pairs for disposal, bred from winners Newcastle, Gateshead, etc.; cocks 7/6, hens 5/-, pairs 12/6 upwards; approval: 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (24)

RELUCTANTLY compelled to part with the whole of my selected breeding stock, consisting of 12 pairs of Yorkshires; guaranteed to breed winners; pairs from £1 to £5: A. Gledhill, 51, Bertie-st., Sticker-lane, Bradford. (49)

JACKSON'S high-class Yorkshires, from my winners at leading shows, best blood obtainable, standard length and quality; cocks 5/-, hens 3/-, pairs 7/6; approval, cash or deposit: 3, Albert-st., Mytholmroyd, Yorkshire. (74)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from my challenge cup winners; cocks, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens, 4/-, 6/-, 10/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, £1 upwards; approval, carriage paid: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge.

MR. LOVE, late secretary of Queen's Park C.B.A., having joined the colours, has all his Yorkshires, mostly Crisp's strain, for disposal; cocks from 7/6, hens 3/6; also a few British; inspection any day by appointment: 10, Station-rd, Kensal Rise, N.W. (81)

MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (27)

YORKSHIRES, standard length, yellow and buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, 20/- each; hens, 5/- upwards; large stock bird, 12/6 to 30/-; 4 days' approval, deposit: Clarence Beanmont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (82)

FANCIERS! My birds have won Y.C.C.A. competition, "Cage Birds" £2 special, Yorkshire Union Amateur medal. I have some decent birds for sale. Write, stating wants: J. C. Beanmont, Hepworth, nr. Hudder-field. (70)

SELL following high class Yorkshires; 5 yellow cocks, 10/6 and 12/6 each, 7 buffs, 8/6 and 10/6 each, few smart hens 5/6 and 6/6; no better strain obtainable: Mr. Dodgson, 40, Priestman terrace, Bradford, Yorkshire. (77)

FORTY upstanding Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, bred from my winners, cold-room, seen any evening; approval willingly, deposit; cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (20)

JOHNNY PRIESTLEY'S Yorkshires have won at all the leading shows; cocks, same breed, buff, hot colour, marked yellow, cinnamon marked yellow, 10/- each; hens, cinnamon marked buffs, clear buffs, or yellows, 6/-: 258, Hanson lane, Halifax. (74)

CYRIL BROWN, Tobacconist, Scnuthorpe, offers the whole of his exhibition Yorkshires at half their value; cocks, yellows, variegated, or buff, 9/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-; hens, 4/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6; guaranteed to breed winners; approval three days. (80)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from my winners, rare length, type and quality, from 12/- per pair, real good birds; approval; inspection invited any time except Sundays; over 30 years a breeder: Thorp, Meadowcroft, Stephen-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (45)

GIVING up bird-keeping; 7 pairs Yorks., including winners and stock birds, 13 double and 8 single breeders and fittings, 2 and 4 hole show cases, 8 Yorkshire show cages, 20 nest pans and egg mill, best offer accepted. Fergusson, 62, Harlow-terrace, Harrogate. (74)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, bred from our winners, clear buff cock, 50/-, first Tong, first Great Horton, third National; yellow cock, 30/-, second Shipley, second Skelmanthorpe; approval, deposit; Fisher and Dyson, Highfield Terrace, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (70)

HAVING selected my breeding stock, can spare two clear, one marked yellow cocks, 2 clear buffs, 25/- each; or would exchange any two for two real good buff hens; no rubbish wanted or offered; approval both ways: Baxter, 210, New Lane, Greengates, Bradford. (79)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, 1914 yellow ticked cock, 15/-; buff hen, 7/6; buff ticked cock, 10/-; yellow cock, 20/-; few cocks, 7/6, hens 5/- upwards; large stock birds, from 12/6 to 30/- upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (83)

CHAMPION high-class Yorkshires, must sell out owing to business pressure; grand upstanding cocks from 7/-, hens 3/- upwards; birds sold by me this season won 1st, 2nd, 4th at L.C.B.A., 1st, 4th Southend; inspection invited: Bennett, 17, Hartley-rd., Leytonstone. (77)

MR. MIDDLETON offers two very long, lengthy, unflighted buff Yorkshire cocks, of exceptional merit, for breeding purposes, 12/6 each; also a deep coloured unflighted yellow cock, long, well drawn specimen, 2nd Keighley, 15/-: 32, Mannville-grove, Fell-lane, Keighley. (73)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, same as my cup winners 1913-14, cocks from 8/6, hens from 3/6, 4 for 12/-; cinn.-marked buff cock, 2nd East Ham, 12/6; green-marked buff cock, 2nd Leyton, 15/-; pairs from 10/6; must be cleared: R. Baxter, 98, Dameshead, Forest Gate, E. (74)

YORKSHIRES: Long, upstanding clear yellow cock, grand bird, 10/6, unflighted, colour-fed; also splendid buff hen, 5/-, pair 15/-; also grand long buff cock, gem, 10/6; must clear, room wanted; all my own breeding; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (72)

TWO grand upstanding unflighted yellow Yorkshire hens, feathered like silk, bred from winners and sure to breed winners, price 6/6 each, 11/6 the two; grand unflighted buff cock to match, 10/6; a bargain; 6 days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (79)

PEDIGREE must tell; can spare buff cocks, winners Pembroke, Narberth, Cardigan, Felinfoel, 15/-; also unflighted buff cocks from above, 10/6; smart, upstanding, will improve anybody's stock; approval, deposit; will exchange buffs for yellows: Smith, Partfield, Haverfordwest. (46)

MR. A. L. HAWKES, senr., being unable to give his exhibition stock of Yorkshires proper attention on account of his son being away on active service, offers any or all at a great sacrifice; the following specimens, which are of exceptional merit and quality, and owing to the present crisis, are being offered at a great sacrifice, have never offered such stock for less than treble the figures; unflighted rich hot-fed yellow cock, rare length, feathered like wax, grand position, standard length, real gem, winner of several honours, accept 21/-; unflighted, rich fed buff cock, very showy, typical specimen, teeming with quality, won 2 firsts, one second, 17/6; another, 1913 buff cock, great winner, cost £3 10/-, L.C.B.A. exhibit, bred several exceptional good specimens, accept 15/-; also yellow hen, unflighted, and buff hen, both of standard length, and hard to find fault with, 10/6 each; others, 8/- and 7/6; approval: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

can spare a few choice pairs of Yorks, related to our winners; see Y.U. shows, single birds proportionate; prices reasonable; cinnamon marks a speciality: 403, Rooley lane, Bradford. (3)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Stock and show birds, the best obtainable, no fancy prices, all on ten days' approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire. (32)

J. BROOKS

has a few classical Yorkshires for disposal, which includes some of the best blood in the Fancy: yellow or buff cocks from 7/6 to 40/-; hens from 4/6; pairs from 10/6 to 50/-; approval, inspection invited 320, Ainsworth-lane, Tonge Moor, Bolton. (91)

OGDEN BROS.

WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/-, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

CLEARING YORKSHIRES

SIX grand birds, specially selected to breed winners; even marked yellow cock, 20/-; clear yellow unflighted, 15/-; ea paud wing marked yellow, 12/6, hens, unflighted clear yellow, 10/6; 2 cinnamon ticked buffs, 5/6, 7/6; to purchaser of the lot I will give 8 nearly new show cages and case. Gilbert, Hope Cottage, Hill-st., Coventry.

IT'S A FACT

that my Yorkshires are the best stock birds ever offered in CAGE BIRDS, being a strain that breed winners in every nest. All fanciers that wish to have success and breed birds that will sell for high prices and make you a name on the show bench give me a trial. I have some grand (1914) long, slim, typical brids, full of quality, style and position; they have wings like Larks and legs like ostriches: cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; grand, slim, stylish hens (unrelated), 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 upwards. I guarantee cocks in full song and to fertilise every egg; hens guaranteed to lay a full nest of eggs without showing any signs of being egg-bound; send cash with order; enquirers enclose stamp: W. Bowd, 1a, Rowell-square, Rowell-st., Salford.

SUTCLIFFE & SONS FOR VALUE

If you want to breed winners buy direct from the breeder; same strain as our National winners; state wants; approval; stamp for reply: 1, Back Watson st., and 21, Valley-rd., Windhill, Shipley, Yorks.

LONDON BREEDERS WANTING YORKSHIRES

are cordially invited to inspect my stock and ideal outdoor birdhouse; some smart pairs from 15/-, also 7in. yellow cock, a grand stock bird, 25/-; and a number of others at moderate prices: Farmer, 15, Thornhill-rd., Leyton. (75)

J. C. BARNES

well-known winning strain: 25 years' study. Sheffield Challenge Cup winner outright; few very nice slim, lengthy and correct positioned birds to spare: cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; specially matched pairs £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 115, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

BINGHAM & FURNESS

winners of the Sheffield challenge cup with four highest birds only to count, 1907, 1909, 1913 and 1914; Walkley cup 1913-14; have a few good birds left; cocks from 8/6, hens from 5/-; pairs from 12/6 upwards; inspection invited: 43a, Hawthorn-rd., Hillsbro, Sheffield.

G. SNEAD'S

Yorkshires are of the highest standard and specials for themselves; for proof search the highest shows including Palace and Nationals; with careful pedigree breeding alone has this wonderful strain been got together; having selected my breeding stock I have a few choice pairs for sale from 15/- upwards; odd birds proportionately; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Address, 133, Arncliffe-terr, Horton Grange-rd., Bradford. (73)

H. H. TOWERS

Winner Cinnamon-marked £10 10/- Competition etc. and at all the leading shows; must reduce stock preparatory to breeding; some excellent pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and upwards; speciality, cinnamon-marked hens, the kind to introduce quality and feather into your room; on approval, cash or deposit; note new address: 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

25/- WORTH FOR 12/6

In order to reduce my stock to make room for breeding I offer 3 grand yellow Yorkshire cocks, over 7in. long, with 3 lovely buff hens, feather like silk and 3 very good buff cocks, over 7in. long, with lovely long slim yellow hens to match; these are properly mated to breed winners and are in breeding condition; cocks in full song; and to effect a quick sale I will take half price for the 9 pair, 12/6 could not be bought elsewhere under 25/-; six days approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester rd., Bradford. (79)

T. BENNETT

the Yorkshire Canary King, is now offering a few choice birds, exhibition or stock, at less than traders' prices; every bird warranted his own breeding, from his noted strain of 30 years' standing, winner of more first prizes than any Yorkshire fancier (with own bred birds). Note following, the same old story for 30 years:- Dear Sir, I received birds all right; I'm very well pleased. Thanking you for your honesty and kindness. Yours truly, G. Kinnear, Buckhaven, Fife, Jan 29th, 1915. Hundreds similar to above filed for your inspection. Remember, no bought or claimed winners here, so send direct to the fountain head for your Yorkshires, thus saving the middleman profit. Inspection invited or birds on approval: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford.

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES

Direct from our noted strain; yellows or buffs cocks 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/- to 30/- each; hens same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each; show cages, 2 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; and 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

H. SMITH, WIMBLEDON

Yorkshires, splendid stock birds, for sale, cheap; yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, pairs from 12/6; approval: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

YORKSHIRES; large yellow cocks; seen any time; price reasonable; guaranteed healthy; see them and judge for yourself: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

YORKSHIRES. Are you looking for cocks or hens? I have a number for sale cheap, and if you will give me a trial will do my best to suit you. Cocks from 8/6, hens from 5/6: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

COME ND SEE THEM

The most wonderful collection for sale in the World.

The quality I send you with anything you can get elsewhere at anything like similar prices: that for great value is the only true test of cheapness. I therefore invite you to test my statements by having any of the following on approval, as all at their respective prices are undeniable bargains.

PLAIN-HEADED NORWICH.

Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. These cocks at 15/- and 20/- are well worth 50/- to 100/-. Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- up.

YORKSHIRES.

The Extraordinary Value I am now offering in Yorkshires must be seen to be believed. Cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 20/- up. These include many close and some fully 8 inches long, invaluable for small hens. Cages in all cases 3d.

For all other varieties and prices, see my 1915 Detailed Illustrated List.

Easiest of Easy Payments by joining my original Bird Club; distance no object.

W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, NORWICH.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

I have the finest stock of Yorkshires in Bradford that are for sale, and bred from some of the biggest winners that ever were benched. I offer grand lengthy Yorks. cocks, in full song, at 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards. Grand racy hens, feathered like silk, at 3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6 upwards. Try one of my properly matched pairs to breed winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- upwards; specials pairs at 20/-, 30/-, 40/-; send your cash to Editor, and your order to me, and I will convince you that I give the best value in the world. A few good pairs of Norwich, same prices, all cold-room bred, and colour-fed to perfection; 6 days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder and Exhibitor, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (79)

"WHO'S THE CHAMPION?"

Read following, and judge for yourself who the Yorkshire king is. Winner this season of the following trophies against all comers: Yorkshire Canary Club's ten guinea trophy, and seven guinea challenge cup, Green-marked Yorkshire Club's ten guinea trophy, Yorkshire Union, Ramsden's, and "Cage Birds" Competition, cup best Yorkshire, Bradford National, cup Llanelly, several gold and silver medals, and other specials too numerous to mention, and 84 firsts, 51 seconds, 39 thirds, finishing up the season with 4 firsts, second, 3 thirds, ten guinea challenge cup, etc., Welsh National; and remember my offer of last week is still good. I have scores of testimonials from successful customers, open for inspection at any time. Without doubt, I hold the most up-to-date stock in the Fancy, not a good old has been (30 years ago), and I still have several winners for disposal; also some clinking stock pairs at following prices, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair. Clears, ticked and marked, and every bird in the best of health, and all cold room bred and kept. Odd birds in proportion. Kindly state wants, or better still, come and see them, or I will send any on a full week's approval, cash or deposit with Editor. Place your orders with the old reliable breeder, who breeds his own winners, and can therefore give you the best value for your money: L. Dykes, "Reliable Aviaries," Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (70)

Various Canaries.

QUANTITY of Canaries, either sex, for sale cheap: 136, Sutton-rd., Southend. (66)

TEN buff Yorkshire hens, two yellow Norwich, 2/- each, or 22/- lot: 9, Springfield-place, Hunslet Carr, Leeds. (76)

SHOW and stock buff cocks, also yellows, cheap to clear; stamp reply: Thomas Hutton, Ivylea, Larbert. (58)

ROBUST Rollers and Yorkshires for breeding, cocks 5/- to 10/-, hens 2/- to 3/-: 13, Lancaster-terrace, Merthyr. (63)

CANARIES for sale, yellows and greens, hens 2/-, cocks 5/-, singing: Bridgland, The Offices, Cranbrook, Kent. (70)

GRAND singing Canaries, full song, cheap, 5/6; hens, 2/-; pairs, 7/3: Haynes, 26, Salisbury-st., St. George, Bristol. (50)

LARGE yellow variegated Yorkshire hen, 1914 bred, 5/-, very healthy; no dealers: Miss Silvia James, 38, Eryanston-sq., London, W. (65)

CANARY cock, good breeder, 4/-; twice house moulted, colour-fed Yellowhammer, with show cage, 2/6: 4, Ironmonger-st., Stamford. (72)

ONE pair of Rollers, 2 pairs of Yorkshires, one pair of Norwich, for sale, 12/6 a pair, or 25/- the lot: 1, Kendoa-rd., Clapham, S.W. (81)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, has some really grand Yorkshires and Norwich, the oldest and best strains in England; letter from Wales says: "You certainly send best value seen in these parts." (41)

A FEW first-class Yorkshire and Norwich hens, hatched 1913 and 1914, and all cold room bred, soon ready to nest, price 2/6 and 3/- each: Apply G., 28, Rosemount-rd., Acton, London, W. (73)

GOOD large Norwich cock, 8/9; long, typical Yorkshire hens (yellow and buff), 5/6; cage-moulted Linnet and Norwich hen, 5/-; call Saturday and Sunday: Lettis, 2a, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak, N.W. (69)

REAL GIFTS

Grand unflighted yellow hens from 7/6; yellow and buff cocks 8/- to 10/6; five extra good birds, can win any ordinary competition, 25/- each; have on approval and compare with some you get elsewhere, and you will be surprised: W. P. Foster, 117, Park-rd., Loughborough. (78)

VARDY'S NOTED WINNING

strain, grand buff cock, 1913 bred, large extra good head and neck, winner, £2; also large variegated buff cock, 1913 bred, grand stock and show bird combined, 30/-; also large clear buff stock bird, £1; other good buff cocks, 15/-, 10/- each, good stock birds, nothing better bred in the Fancy; approval: W. Vardy, The Aviaries, Huthwaite, Notts. (73)

LARGEST COLLECTION IN THE WORLD

of special songsters now ready to send out: Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 3d.; approval. Remember: There are songsters and songsters, if you want low-priced rubbish don't apply to me, please: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

GRAND large muling hen Canaries, 3/6 each: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (75)

GOLDFINCH Mules, cocks, 7/6, in full song: J. Aston, 12, Highgate-st., Liverpool. (55)

PIN-EYED hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

WANTED, Mules in full song: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-70, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

FINE cock Goldfinch Mule 6/-, ditto 5/-; also cages, cheap: Shea, 229, Caledonian-rd., London, N. (58)

AVIARY-BRED Mules for sale, 2 Linnet and 2 Goldfinch, 4/- lot; a bargain: J. Duncan, Citadel, Inverness. (80)

BARGAIN; six beautiful muling Linnets, full song, 1/- each or 5/- lot: Fenwick, 54, Alfred-st. South, Nottingham. (71)

FIFTY muling hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; extra good value: Hendrick, The Aviaries, 58, High-st., Whitchurch, Salop. (77)

CAN spare few healthy Sib. hens, light muling strain, price 3/- each; approval, deposit: Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell. (78)

GIVEN up breeding; 4 light and 10 dark Gold-Finches, Mules, also Finches; approval: Finlayson, 6, Irwell-terrace, Salford. (65)

GRAND lot of Mules, Hybrids, also selected muling birds; see special list, free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (59)

CANARY reared Greypate cock, nice size good blaze and body colour, probable muler, 7/6: Arthur Brotherhood, Newport, Salop. (73)

EXHIBITION cock Linnet Mule 8/-; Goldfinch Mule, 8/-, cock, Fiuch notes; hen Goldfinch Mule 1/-: Stevens 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdare. (72)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremmer, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

H.M. GOLDIE, 5/-; H.M. Bullie hen, 4/6, laid eggs; 8 Scotch cock Linnets, 1/3 each; exchange Canaries: Wright, 14, Rosevale-st., Partick. (79)

DALE'S noted Sibs, best Light Muling strain in existence, best yellow hen in Fancy, 12/6; buff, 7/6: Barnard, 15, Back-lane, Barking, Essex. (80)

SPLENDID house-moulted cock Goldfinch, 7/6; one clear yellow, two buff muling hen Canaries, 10/- three; exchange: Bourne, 85, Hotlane, Burslem, Staffs. (78)

BARGAIN; cock Greenie, hen Bullie, house moulted, nested in cage last year; tip-top condition, 6/6, approval, deposit: Farler, 29, Maycroft-rd., Weymouth. (75)

LARGE yellow cock Greenfinch, 9d.; also cock Linnet Mule, 5/-; suit catcher; cock Goldfinch Mule, 4/-; also grand pair Norwich: Williams, Vron Shop, Denbigh (61)

WANTED, cock Mules, on full song, in exchange for high-class stock or exhibition Norwich Plainheads mutual approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (69)

SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

SOME splendid Mules, Goldfinch-Canary cocks, singing hard, price 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; established 50 years: Sandiford, Bird Specialists, Preston; and 89, Sclater-st., London.

MUST clear, young cock Linnet Mule, 6/-; cock Redpoll and hen Goldfinch, 4/-; splendid cock Goldfinch 5/-; all house moulted; 6 good feeding hen Canaries, best condition: Minty, Stony-st., Frome. (72)

GREENIE-CANARY, little rough, grand songster, 5/-; handsome cock Greenfinch and yellow hen Canary, 7/6; Greenfinch hens, reliable feeders, 2/-; all aviary moulted: Miller, Eyre Cottage, Sydenham. (72)

MULES and Hybrids wanted, a really good dark yellow Mule or Hybrid, in exchange for a lovely light buff cock Goldfinch Mule, 1914 bred, make a topper; mutual approval: Andrews, Weston, Olney, Bucks. (80)

FOUR Norwich cocks, 4/- each; six large Norwich hens, 1914 bred, 2/6 each, two Rollers, cocks, 3/6; cock Linnet, matched with Norwich hen, 3/6; cock Linnet, bred Mules last year, 4/-: Rendal, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (81)

CHEAP; genuine twelve years Sib.-bred muling strain; few 1914 to spare; cold room, healthy; two fine yellow cocks and four buffs, six buff hens (no yellows); approval: E. Ridley, 6, Osborne-st., Didsbury, Manchester. (59)

HANDSOME 1914 cock Goldie, good head and blaze, sure muler, steady in song, 6/-; dark 1914 Goldie Mule, pure Finch note, 6/6; house moulted hen Bullie, 2/-; approval; deposit: Pugh, Church Bank, Llandovery. (72)

NOTICE; special offer, monster clear and variegated buff Norwich hens, make champion mulers, only 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- and 15/- each; all strong and healthy, cold room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (69)

VERY LARGE cock Linnet on full song, with large Cinnamon hen Canary, bred 14 Mules last season, 5/6 the pair; eight splendid cock Mules, guaranteed pure Fiuch song, lovely songsters, 7/6 each; three hens 1/- each: Day, The Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (75)

HYBRID breeders, 2 outdoor Hybrid aviaries, each 10ft. long, divided into 5 compartments, compartments being 3ft. x 3ft. x 2ft., separate removable fronts, 20/- each or 35/- the two; also Hybrid pairs from same for sale, cheap: Morris, 56, Park-rd., Ilford. (83)

MRS. C. MIDDLETON is disposing of some of her exhibition Mules: Light Linnet-Canary, marked wings and tail, 4th Palace 1914, £7 10/-; lightly variegated Greenfinch-Canary, £5 10/-; lightly variegated Goldfinch-Canary, £4, and others: Glen Canisp, Mannamead, Plymouth (71)

NOTICE, special offer, magnificent 1914 clear grey Crested cock, large neat crest, only 12/6; also 1914 variegated dark Crested cock, only 15/-; also 1914 variegated dark Crested cock, only 10/6; also choice green Crested hen, large neat drooping crest, only 12/6; also 1914 variegated dark Crested hen, only 8/6; also 1914 massive feathery green Crestbred cock, only 12/6; also 1914 clear Crestbred cock, only 10/6; also 1914 variegated Crestbred hen, only 8/6; also monster clear Crestbred hen, only 10/6; also several other real good massive feathery Crested and Crestbred cocks and hens, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 21/- each; also judiciously matched pairs to breed winners, 15/-, 17/6, 21/-, 25/-, 30/- and 42/- pair; all strong and healthy, cold room bred, Palace winning strain, satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (69)

LARGE pink-eyed sib-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, yellows 7/6, buffs 5/6; cocks, full song, gems, 7/6 each; ten days approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (82)

Special To Mule Breeders

Finest lot of muling hens in England; on approval; 2/6, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6; cage, 5d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

50-PURE BRED SIB HENS

guaranteed to breed Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, and 7/6 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; also 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

DOVES.

A beautiful pair of pure bred white Java Doves, in perfect condition, nesting, 4/6: Sagar, North End, Wetherby. (63)

FOREIGN BIRDS.

BUDGERIGARS, aviary bred, 3/6 pair, hens 2/-, cocks 1/6: Harry Kay, Postland-rd., Blackpool. (66)

FOR sale home bred Budgerigars, Green, 5/- pair: H. Birtwhistle, 23, Cliff-crescent, West-rd., Loftus.

BUDGERIGARS, some with legs rung, 5/- pair: Hawkins, "Belvidere," Streetley-lane, Sutton Coldfield. (64)

GRAND pair Peach-faced Lovebirds, £5; true pair Melba Finches, 50/-; Yealland, 46, Roderick-rd., Hampstead. (82)

FOR sale, Grey Parrot, good talker, and cage, take, £2 10/-; cheap: Apply, Firby, 15, Deansd.-Low Spennymoor. (69)

GREEN Parrot, whistler, talks, bargain, £1; wanted, Sib. hens, for muling: F. G., 44, Chesterton-rd., North Kensington. (67)

PAIR handsome Half-moon Parrakeets and cage, 16/6; two cock Chaffinches, singing, 1/6 each: 20, Goldsmith rd., Peckham. (77)

OUTSIDE aviary, fine pair Saffron Finches, 8/6; also fine Zebra Finches, 8/6 pair; approval: Holhek, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (78)

GREEN Budgerigars, breeding condition, 4/6 pair, cocks 2/- each; cock Cockatiel, exchange hen: H., 192, Worple-rd., Wimbledon. (65)

RED-VENTED Bulbul, cock, cage moulted, feeds from hands, good plumage, approval, 12/-; deposit: Harrison, Retreat, Tiverton, Devon. (33)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoor, finest possible, 5/- pair; selected breeders 6/-; yellows 8/-; price list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (77)

EXHIBITION Pekin Nightingale, house-moulted, perfect health and condition, with show cage, 7/6; bargain: Robinson, Heads-lane, Keswick, Cumberland. (78)

WANTED, Foreigners; exchange new Stevens' rifle, 100 L.R. cartridges, sell 15/-; also 410, 297-230, and .22 L.R. cartridges, stamp for reply: C. Read, Bingley. (73)

FIRST offer of 30 - has my three true pairs Indian Kingsecks, acclimatised, from cold aviary, pink of condition; shall not separate: L. Smith, Claremont-rd., Redruth. (63)

BEAUTIFUL Amazon Parrots, Cockatiels, Budgerigars, Yellow Canaries; write for particulars; selling cheap: Mrs. Gilbert, Blindgrooms, Tbadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent. (75)

LARGE Alexandrine Parrakeet, good whistler, make good talker; acclimatised, very tame, with large cage, 12/6, worth double: Benj. Ratcliffe, 165, Smithy Bridge-rd., nr. Rochdale, Lancs. (66)

TALKING Parrots, magnificent talking Amazon, £4; African Grey, talker, £5; Amazon, talker, £2: Eastwood, Parrot Specialist, 179, Lees-rd., Oldham. Wholesale and retail, write for list of cheap Parrots. (71)

LARGE yellow Budgerigars, adults, ready to nest; pairs, 8/-; greens, 6/-; one odd yellow hen, 4/6; talking Ring-necked Parrakeet, 12/6, with cage: Edwin North, Bird Specialist, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (79)

BUDGERIGARS: Four hen Yellows, 15/-, or 4/- each; one cock Green, 2/6; all fully adult, untried. Cock Cockatiel, tame, commenced talking, 6/-, make excellent pet; approval; all outdoors: F. Bull, Sutton, Surrey. (75)

PARROT, grey and red, acclimatised, hardy, healthy, splendid condition, with large cage; signed talking warranty, 4 months' trial my risk, 50/-; easy payments taken: 270, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1986)

VIRGINIAN Cardinals, faultless, true pair, 50/-; Blue-crowned Conure, perfect, 20/-; Petz's Conure, talks, 20/-; Patagonian Falcon (cerchueis cinamomina), 25/-; Maximilian's Parrot, 50/-: Rectory, Nash, Stony Stratford. (78)

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EXCHANGE four cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch mulers or three hen Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (57)

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WILL exchange two good cock Goldfinches and one cock Greenfinch, make good mulers, for Roller Canaries; Canaries first: Jeffrice, Vine House, Shipston-on-Stour. (69)

EXCHANGE two pairs Yellowhammers, one housemoulted cock Redpoll, and a big Corn Bunting, for four Club pattern Norwich show cages: Jones, 13, Raby-st., Llanelly. (72)

EXCHANGE, pair Bullfinches, cock Chaffinch, cage moulted, and little cash, for good clear Norwich hen; no rubbish wanted or offered: Crisp, Hook Cottage, Billingshurst, Sussex. (65)

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PAIR Yorkshire Canaries, H.M. Chaffinch, 7/-, exchange; no live stock: Kiel, 63, Mount Pleasant, Barrow-in-Furness. (78)

EXCHANGE four Yorkshire hens for pair of Borders, Norwich or Rollers: W. Johnson, 37, Camden-rd., Ipswich, Suffolk. (74)

EXCHANGE long buff Yorkshire cock, value 15/-, for long buff hen; approval: Thornton, 43, Rydal-st., West Hartlepool. (76)

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SMOOTH Fox Terrier dog, 11 months, good guard, exchange songster; sell 12/6, offers: Willis, 13, Lower Bailey-st., Wattstown, Glam. (80)

EXCHANGE buff Norwich cock (singing), and yellow hen, for Border cock and hen, sell 12/6: Atkinson, Market Place, Guisboro'. (79)

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EXCHANGE pair prize Border Fancies for large 1914 buff variegated Norwich hen: Napier, Lanark-rd., Juniper Green, Midlothian. (76)

EXCHANGE 30/- musical box and 12 tunes for two pairs of Yorkshires or six hens; offers; yours first: Goodman, Edgar-rd., Yiewsley. (76)

TWO grand Yorkshire buff hens, 3/- each; selected cock Bramble, 2/6; approval, wanted other British: Brewer, Sandhurst-pl., Bedford. (72)

F.M. Siskin cock, large clear yellow Norwich hen, sell 12/6; exchange variegated yellow Norwich cock: Moir, School Wynd, Bervie. (80)

UNFLIGHTED Crest-bred cock, worth 40/-; wanted, two unflighted buff Yorkshire hens, good: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (75)

EXCHANGE, 3 good buff Yorks. hens, for good big Yorks. var. yellow hen, value 25/-; yours first: McLellan, Annet, Sandy-rd., Renfrew. (70)

EIGHT gramophone records, double-sided, also oil stove, double-burner, new; exchange Yorkshires or Sib-bred hens: George Sawer, Alfreton. (73)

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EXCHANGE good bred Norwich cock for good Roller, must be good songster; approval; yours first: Grandle, 19, Wenvoe-ter., Barry. (76)

TWO Cinnamon Border hens, 7/-; exchange Cinnamon cock, two marked Buff hens, 7/-; exchange cock; or offers: 126, Lee-rd., Blackheath, S.E. (73)

EXCHANGE good Norwich buff cock, large bird, splendid condition, for good Goldfinch, or offers; genuine: Parsons, Hairdresser, Tonbridge. (80)

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TWO good 1914 yellow Yorkshire hens, 3/- each; exchange three new Yorkshire show cages and case: Sykes, Ealand, Crowle, Doncaster. (71)

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WANTED, two winning Norwich cocks, large, unflighted, or Parrot, exchange two pairs 30/- roller skates, new: Macara, 447, New City-rd., Glasgow. (67)

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EXCHANGE half-size violin, bow, case, for pair good Borders and 2 muling hen Canaries; birds first: John Lamhie, Arniston, Gorebridge, Midlothian. (48)

TYPICAL Yorkshires, three buff hens, one yellow cock, 30/-, or exchange yellow Norwich hens, or hoots; approval: Blackburn, Dixon Close, Bamford, Rochdale. (70)

SIX Norwich hens, sale 18/-, or exchange for exhibition Norwich cock, unflighted and cash for good bird; approval, yours first: Hollick, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (78)

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WANTED, Canaries, British or Foreign birds, give gent's silver watch, £1; glazier's diamond, 15/-; pair clap-nets, 6/6: Morrison, Stone-lane, Millfield, Peterborough. (77)

SIB cock, Bullfinch hen, large Linnet cock, large yellow hen; pair of Siskin Mules; exchange large Lancashires or Norwich; offers: 2, Cross-st., Wavertree, Liverpool. (70)

TEN Canary hens, 2/- each, 17/- lot; one Roller cock, 7/6, cost 15/- last year; exchange anything for lot to value or separate: Trenholm, 63, Wade-st., Firth Park, Sheffield. (75)

EXHIBITION piping cock Bullfinch, 6/-; cock Greenfinch Mule, can win, 10/-; wanted, stock Norwich or Yorkshires: Morgan, Corn Chandler, Shakespeare-st., Cardiff. (68)

TWO long Yorkshire hens and cock brown Linnet Mule, breeders, 7/6 the three, or exchange for clear buff Norwich cock: approval: S. Gibbs, No. 8, The Rhiew, Bridgend, Glam. (66)

EXCHANGE two clear buff hens, Yorkshires, for clear yellow Yorkshire cock or good clear buff Norwich hen; approval anywhere; yours first: Woodrow, Mustons-st., Shaftesbury. (77)

EXCHANGE unflighted clear yellow Yorkshire hen, well filled, bred from winners, for marked ditto; well drawn out; yours first; mutual approval: Drew, 27, Oxford-st., Manchester. (79)

EXCHANGE a buff wing mkd. Crested cock for a cock Goldfinch, H.-M. Muler or a Roller cock; good songster; approval: Armstrong, 3 Park View, Oakenshaw, Willington, Durham. (80)

GOOD green Crested, Barnett's strain, will exchange for clear or ticked Plainhead Norwich yellow; must be good; approval willingly; yours first: Hickson, 48, Lock-rd., Broadheadth, Cheshire. (68)

SELL or exchange, good yellow or variegated buff Border cocks, for clear buff Border cock; also good Norwich buff cocks, one self green buff cock; cheap; approval: W. Pithie, Mary-st., Stonehaven. (79)

MARKED buff Yorkshire cock, grand form, 20/-; variegated do., 12/6; six grand buff hens, 3/- each; exchange poultry or hand sewing-machine: Jones, 5, Elvion-ter., Talysarn, Penygroes, North Wales. (72)

BOOK, Canaries, British Birds, and Hybrids, cost 25/-; condition new; exchange York hire Canaries, also shepherd's crook, 6ft. long, as new; exchange Yorkshire cock: Alex Leitch, 49, High-st., Burntisland. (68)

SCHOOLMASTER Roller, a marvellous song bird, cost £1; accept 12/6; sell cinnamon small Norwich cocks, 6/-; yellow Sib hens, 5/-; light cock Mule, 10/-; cock Goldfinches, 2/-: Taylor, Sunningdale terr. Bideford. (81)

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WANTED, good unflighted yellow Norwich cock or Rollers; exchange twice h.m. Siberian cock Goldfinch, proved muler and winner diploma only time shown; or sell 15/-; approval: Nicholas, 3, Margaret st., Pentre, Rhondda. (72)

O.E. GAME Spangle Bantam cock and pullets, winner 1st Glasgow, 2nd Polesworth, cock; pullet, 2nd Tamworth, £3 10/-; exchange, Rollers preferred; approval: J. Beale, Main-rd., Kennington place, Glascote, nr. Tamworth. (76)

BUFF Norwich cocks, 12/6, 5/6; Yorkshire cock, 4/-; unflighted yellow hens, 5/-, 6/-; unflighted buff hen, 5/-; on approval; would exchange some for good steady cock Hawfinch, or offers: J. Spolforth, 2, Upper Raglan-st., Todmorden. (74)

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BLACK Cocker Spaniel, male and female, 12 months; sell cheap or exchange anything in Fancy: Graham, Ballybrach. (68)

HANDSOME pair hand-reared Budgerigars, pretty as parrot; what offers; letters only: Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (68)

EXCHANGE Venetian blind, good condition, 76 by 42, for Norwich hens, yellow or green, birds first: Stanley, 86, Colwyn-rd., West Hartlepool. (65)

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EXCHANGE new gramophone, value 50/- for a pair of Plainheads, stock birds; approval.—Henderson, 37, Grant-st., Wick. (65)

EXCHANGE Flemish giant rabbits, also nest pans and wires for Norwich; or sell: Dunham, Mount Pleasant, Clapham, Bedford. (73)

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TWO large Flemish Giant does and unrelated buck, 10/- each; exchange Canaries; offers: Davison, Crows Nest, Haddenham, Bucks. (68)

WHAT offers in Norwich or British birds for Black Leghorn cockerel, a bounty: Dewar, Kildean Cottage, Drip-rd., Stirling. (80)

BEAUTIFUL little Pom dog, white, 18 months, good house dog, 12/6; or exchange Canaries: 71, Shrewsbury, Mansfield Woodhouse. (68)

EXCHANGE good Cairn Terrier dog pup, 2 months, for serviceable costume; pedigree, particulars: Thos. Stuart, Linlithgow Br., Linlithgow. (69)

EXCHANGE four pair of Fying Tipplers, for singing Canaries; offers, or sell 4/- pair: Jenkins, 4, Crosswood-st., Treorchy, Rhondda. (74)

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EXCHANGE good healthy Cairn Terrier dog pup, 2 months, for serviceable costume; pedigree, particulars: Stuart, Linlithgow Bridge, Linlithgow. (62)

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EXCHANGE one cock and two hen Game Bantams for young Belgian or Scotch Fancy hen; or sell: W. Clark, 58, Foundry-rd., Malmesbury, Wilts.

EXCHANGE, Trimmer, cut 3½ mould, nearly new, also 1 Tivoli slot machine, for Canaries and British birds: Stanley, 225, Castle Boulevard, Nottingham.

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EXCHANGE pair of top boots, nearly new, with trees, size 7's, for good pair Norwich greens or exhibition Goldfinch; or sell 20/-: Vince, Crockers, Mortimer, Berks. (72)

GRAND young Airedale dog, four months, make splendid guard, 15/- or offers; exchange birds or anything useful; letters only: Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (68)

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WILL exchange one pair of lady's new boots or one dress length or suit length for 2 cock Canaries or 5 hens; what offers in mixed-up British seed birds?—Cummings, 4, Richmond-terr., Leeds. (70)

TWO tall Black-red Game Bantams, cockerels, Ainscough strain, 15/- each; exchange Canaries (Norwich); approval both ways: William Cowie, 10, Cathedral-st., Buckie, Banffshire, N.B. (65)

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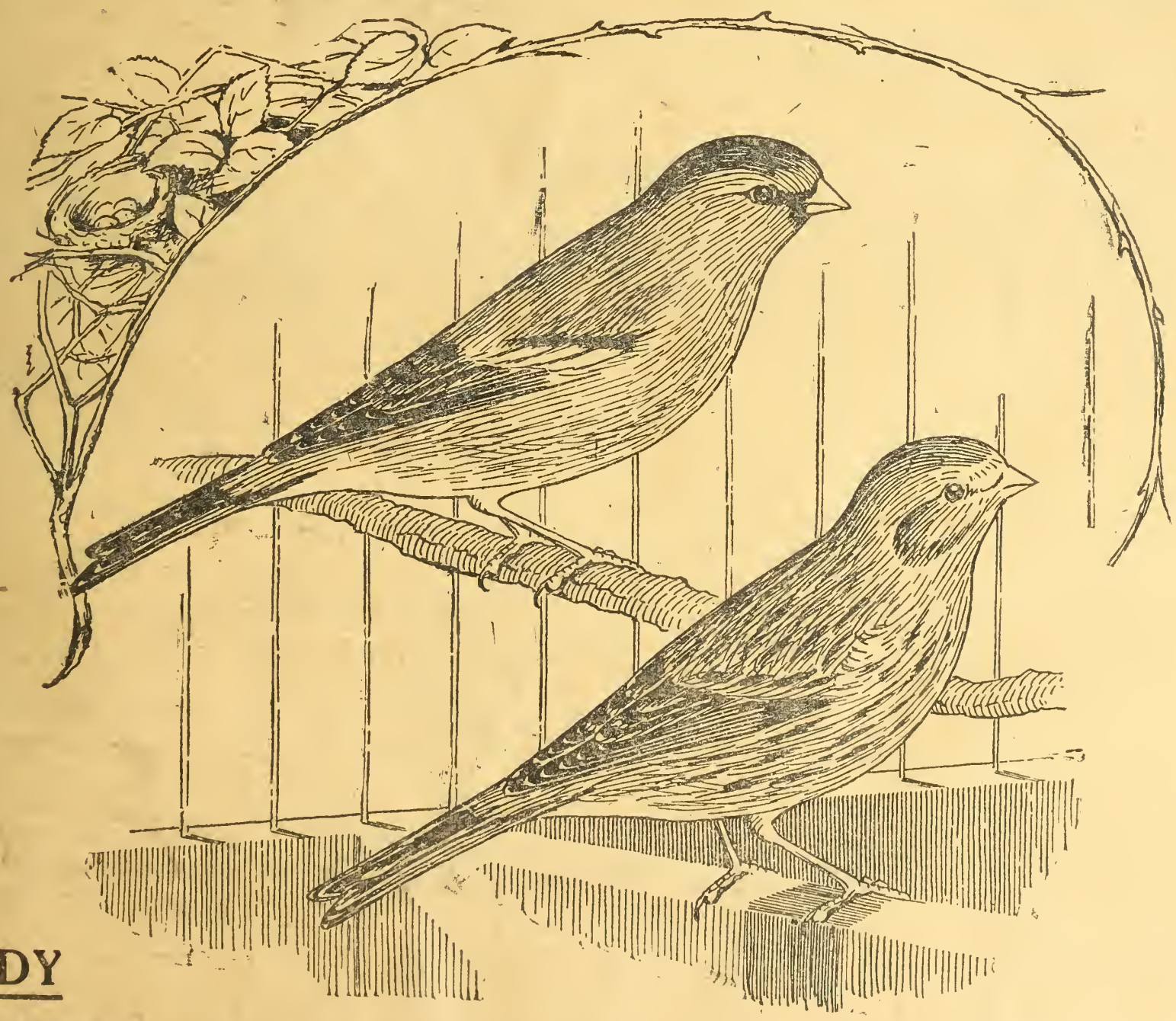

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TYPICAL Borders for disposal: 5 pairs Greens, Yellows, Buffs, Marks, 6/6 pair; also 2 Siskin Mule cocks, well striped, 5/- each; £2 the lot: Brown, Lauraland-row, Crosshouse, Kilmarnock. (91)

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CHAMPION Belgians, grand birds, disposal, same strain my championship winners last two Palace shows; cheap; approval: G. S. Baker, Georges-rd., Barnstaple. (75)

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Crests and Crestbreds.

EXCHANGE Crestbred cock, from winners, for Crest hen, sell £1: P. Linn (see Sale or Exchange).

FOUR Crestbred cocks, good birds, £1 the lot: George Harrison, 7, Denmark-st., Chadderton, Oldham. (91)

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1914 BUFF hens, grizzle crest, ticked C.B., cinnamon ticked C.B., 5/- each; another 4/-: Smithson, Basinghall-sq., Leeds. (93)

HAVING selected my stock, have several pairs and odd hen cheap; approval, deposit: Aired, 124, Rupert-st., Nottingham. (96)

TWO Crest hens, 2 Crest cocks, 2 Crestbred cocks, cages and flight for sale; offers: McColl, 4, Albion-rd. West, North Shields. (101)

1914 bred, dark Crested variegated hen. Ley's strain; bargain, 6/- only: Cyril Victor Cubley, Sutton Gowts, Long Sutton. (103)

CRESTS and Crestbreds pairs from 12/- to 30/-; several single cocks and hens from 6/-: H. Mais, 53, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (50)

CRESTS, large green Crest cock, full song, matched 1914 Crestbred hen, bred from double Crests, 20/-; approval: Goldsmith, Stationer, Maidenhead. (95)

YELLOW green Crested cock, and variegated yellow Crestbred hen, splendid pair, 45/-; approval willingly: George, 368, Hitchin-rd., Luton, Beds. (95)

UNFLIGHTED clear Crestbred cock, 60/-; ditto Crested cock, 40/-; two Crestbred cocks, 20/- each: George Dobson, 103, James-st., Blaydon-on-Tyne. (92)

FEW Crests, Crestbred cocks, hens same strain as my cups winner, cheap to clear; approval; state wants: Pettit, 146, Moselle-avenue, Wood Green. (95)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Crests and Crestbreds for show or stock; prices low; easy payments arranged; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (48)

F. W. BARNETT has some useful stock Crest pairs from 40/-; also very cheap odd cocks; approval: Address Greenway House, Fakenham, Norfolk.

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GOOD, nearly green Crestbred cock, cheap at 12/6; ditto Crest cock, 7/6; bargains; approval: J. Woolhouse, 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsborough, Sheffield.

HIGH-CLASS Crests, best blood in England, 35 years' breeder of the best, cocks or hens, half-price; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham.

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W. RADMORE, 17, Chaddlewood-aven., Plymouth, has for disposal a few high-class Crests and Crestbreds, show or stock, from 10/- upwards; stamp reply. (1993)

MASSIVE buff variegated Crestbred cock, 1914, heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, cold-room bred, 18/6; approval: Cavell, Ruskington, Sleaford. (98)

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TWELVE Crest and Crestbreds, for 80/-; 5 Crested cocks, 3 Crestbred cocks, 3 Crested hens, 1 Crestbred hen, three yellow Lancashire Plainhead cocks for 37 6: Ind, Cotham, Bristol. (100)

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A FEW unflighted Crestbred hens, winning strain, large and feathery, cold room; also two pairs, paired for breeding, 22/- each; bargain; approval: Hamilton, Holburn-gardens, Newlands, Glasgow. (96)

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CRESTS and Crest-breds, best blood in the world. Have selected my breeders, a few of this splendid strain to spare at 30/- upwards the pair; also singles; stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (1979)

CRESTS, bred from my winners; two foul green cocks, 20/- each; another green cock, 40/-; clear Crestbred cock, 30/-; these are all useful birds, and only want seeing: Bewick, 44, Milton-st., South Shields. (98)

CREST and Crestbreds for sale, with long, leafy head feather, 3 times out this season, with 7 entries, 5 firsts, second and fourth; inspection invited; approval, 10/- upwards; Symons Bros., Brisbane, Liskeard, Cornwall. (88)

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GOOD wing marked dark Crest cock, 1913, bred from Sheffield winner, £2; heavy variegated 1914 Crestbred cock, from winning Crest hen, £2; approval: Walter Radley and Son, Paradise-square, Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (95)

1914 DARK Crest cock, bred from sire of several champions, including the big bird exhibited by McLaren, 40/-; 1913 grey, 15/6; 1914 yellow Dark Crest hen, 20/6; 1914 Crestbred hen, 12/6, 25/6; stamp reply: Colledge, Kilburn, Derby. (91)

BARGAINS.—Crest-bred clear cocks, winner, 45/-; green Crest-bred cock, 35/-; ditto, 25/-; var. Crest-bred cock, 25/-; ditto, 15/6; 2 var. Crested cocks, 25/- each; var. Crested hen, 30/-; grey Crested hen, 7/6; approval: John Hesketh, 7, Boundary-rd., St. Helens. (68)

F. G. BALE, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Crest and Crestbreds, offers 1914 foul green Crested cock, winner, £12; heavily variegated, £7; good stock bird, £3; 1914 Crestbred cock, extra good head feather, £5; approval: "Crestlyn," Victoria-st., Barnstaple. (194)

FEW good Crests cheap; variegated Crested cock, good crest, 1914; nearly clear Cresthred hen, 1913; 22/6 pair; variegated Crested cock, 1914, even marked dark Crest hen, 1913, 25/- pair; few good Crested hens, 10/- each; all big feathery birds: G. W. Maisey, Aldermaston, Berks (97)

MASSIVE buff Crestbred hen, 30/-; grizzle Crested hen, 20/-; unflighted Crested cock, 20/-; also hen, 20/-; Crested cock and Crestbred hen, Crested hen and Crestbred cock, matched for breeding, 25/- pair; all from my prize strain; must clear; worth double; approval: Cubbitt, 184, Thorpe-rd., Norwich. (91)

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MAGNIFICENT 1914 exhibition Dark Crested cock, large neat dropping crest, sure winner, only 17/6; honestly worth £2 for stock alone; also massive feathery 1914 Crestbred cock, rare type and quality of feather, only 12/6, honestly worth double; Palace winning strain; cold room bred; genuine bargains; satisfaction guaranteed; approval. Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (90)

NOTICE, special offer, magnificent 1914 clear grey Crested cock, large neat crest, only 12/6; also 1914 variegated dark Crested cock, only 15/-; also 1914 variegated dark Crested cock, only 10/6; also choice green Crested hen, large neat drooping crest, only 12/6; also 1914 variegated dark Crested hen, only 8/6; also 1914 massive feathery green Crestbred cock, only 12/6; also 1914 clear Crestbred cock, only 10/6; also 1914 variegated Crestbred hen, only 8/6; also monster clear Crestbred hen, only 10/6; also several other real good massive feathery Crested and Crestbred cocks and hens, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 21/- each; also judiciously matched pairs to breed winners, 15/-, 17/6, 21/-, 25/-, 30/- and 42/- pair; all strong and healthy, cold room bred, Palace winning strain, satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (69)

Lancashires.

LARGE massive Lancashires, Plainhead cocks 12/6, hens 10/6 each, ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (91)

WANTED for muling, two yellow Lancashire Plainhead hens, unflighted preferred: Chadwick, 83, Hammersley-st., Birches Head, Hanley, Staffs. (97)

LANCASHIRES; two buff coppy cocks, 12/6 each; yellow and buff Plainhead cocks, 8/-, 10/- each; or exchange; approval, deposit: John Swalwell, 33, Widdop-st., Oldham. (94)

LARGE buff Lancashire Coppy cocks, 12/6; hen, 7/6; large half-bred Lancashire and Crest-bred cock, for crest breeding, 12/6; 1915 birds; approval: J. Day, Fernham-rd., Bury St. Edmunds. (102)

CLEAR buff Lancashire Plainhead cock, 17/6; buff foul green Lancashire-Norwich cross cock, 15/-; yellow foul green Lancashire-Norwich cross cock, 15/-; buff foul cinnamon Lancashire-Norwich cross hen, 10/-; genuine first cross, great substance, short feather: Thomson, Croft-pl., Larkhall, Lanarkshire.

Lizards.

LIZARDS, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 pair; cage 3d.: Rudd, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

THE Northern Lizard King can still spare three grand pairs, properly matched, from 15/- pair; best blood in Fancy: Reid, Edwin-st., Sunderland.

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THE Lizard Prince, winner gold medal Welsh National, strain that breeds winners; single birds and scientifically matched pairs cheap; approval; inspection invited: John Rukin, 44, Hall Carr-rd., Rawtenstall, Lancashire. (100)

Greens.

WANTED, good 1914 green cock, Norwich type, stronge in song: Troke, 71, Parchment-st., Winchester. (91)

NORWICH Greens, pairs from 20/-, single birds from 10/-; no single yellow hens: Jeukins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (70)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshire greens, 2 pairs, buff cock, yellow hen, 15/- pair; Rawstborne, 20, Beech-grove, Seaforth, Liverpool. (91)

YORKSHIRE greens, 3 cocks, 6 hens, buffs, 50/- lot; splendid feeding strain, can win: Holmes, 2, Kenmare-rd., Wavertree. (91)

GREENS, two hens, 1913, good breeders and feeders, one cock, 1914, 10/- the three; exchange yellow cock or hen; or offers: Craddock, 9, Lord-st., Sleaford.

CHAMPION Norwich, winner outright G.C.A. cup, 3 firsts, second, etc., last Palace show; prices reasonable; stamp: L. F. Harding, 29a, Market-st., Wellingborough. (92)

EVERY successful breeder has good green blood in his stock; you must breed for colour, with size and quality; good greens; reasonable prices: Brown, 35, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (52)

SEVERAL pairs of green Norwich, good and cheap, guaranteed own breeding from winners; state wants (G.C.A. Norwich cup winner 1915); also green Yorkshires, winners everywhere; see Cardiff report: Fred. Handley, 23, Coventry-rd, Wavertree, Liverpool. (95)

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FIVE buff Norwich cocks, 1914, 7/- each: Miss F. Bird, Fareet, Peterborough. (89)

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PRIZE-BRED Norwich, at reasonable prices, can be seen any time: Hutton, Alexandra Hotel, Penge.

F. BUCKLEY for high-class Norwich buff cocks, only six left, 7/6 to £1: 30, Adderley-st., Coventry.

TEN pairs of Norwich, from 10/- pair: J. Kirk, 21, Daresbury-st., Greenhill, Cheetham Hill, Manchester.

NORWICH Canaries for sale; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; well bred: Davidson, 17, Sutherland-rd., Bow, E.

GIVING up the whole of my stock of Norwich cocks and hens, cheap: Silver, 72, Peel-st., Birmingham. (92)

NORWICH colour-fed for sale, or exchange for anything useful on approval: Morris, 57, High-st., Tooting. (104)

FOR sale, Norwich buff cock, 7/-; hens from 4/-; approval; stamp: Galbraith, 162, Hospital-st., Glasgow. (102)

A TYDEMAN offers good matched pairs Norwich, bred from winners, 30/-; approval: 45, York-rd., Ipswich. (90)

TREMENDOUS headed buff hen, cost pounds from Baker (Cowes), big body, 17/6: Cooper, Lindley-st., Norwich. (92)

HIGH class yellows and buffs; cocks from 10/6, hens 3/6 upwards: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (99)

NORWICH cocks, large, grand type and quality, cheap, approval: W. R. Finnie, 95, Restalrig-rd., Edinburgh. (95)

HEALTHY outdoor hens, one 3/-; two 5/6; three 8/-; cash or C.B. deposit: Wilsou, 68, Allen-st., Maidstone. (100)

DALZELL'S winning strain, extra good ticked buff Norwich hen, 25/-; approval, deposit: 96, Barker-st., Oldham. (103)

YELLOW varieg. cock, 1st Shettleston, 20/-; other cocks and hens cheap to clear: Ward, 178, Main-st., Shettleston. (99)

SEVERAL well bred Norwich cocks and hens, cheap, seen any time: Chamberlain, 12, Beyer-st., Gorton, Manchester. (98)

GOOD large typical colour-fed Norwich, matched pairs 8/6.—Feasey, St. Luke's Cottage, Agusta-place, Leamington. (94)

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NORWICH for sale, mostly cocks, yellows and buffs, cheap to clear; approval: James Taylor, 113, High-st., Brechin. (68)

FIRST prize members' show, unflighted clear yellow cock, only 14s.; deposit: Popple, 38, Mersey-rd., Widnes. (97)

R. A. NEWLEY requires some Norwich, colour fed preferred; fair prices; address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.

BUY from the breeder; Norwich cock from 7/6; hens from 5/-: Twine, 38, Carlingford-rd., Hucknall, Torkard, Notts. (92)

FEW Norwich Canaries for sale, cocks and hens, cheap, bred from winning strain: Carter, 3, Elm-rd., Leyton, E. (70)

FEW good Norwich cocks and hens; also few light muling yellow hens, cheap: Fiulayson, 6, Irwell-terrace, Salford. (89)

PRIZE bred Norwich cocks from 7/6; large heads; some winners, Barnes' strain; room wanted: Tripe, Parr-st., Exeter. (30)

LARGE, healthy clear buff Norwich hen, 1913 aviary bred: Miss Audrey, James, 388, Bryauston-sq., London, W. (84)

GOOD non-flight, big head, chest, short, cobby, bred from champions; approval: Brown, 35, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (52)

GOOD Norwich songster, full song, cold-room bred, 6/-; approval; hen, 2/6: Atkins, 5, Pleasant Terrace, Intake, Sheffield. (97)

FOUR unflighted buff cocks, 10/- each; exchange lot for two yellow cocks: Buckett, 51, Kings-rd., Henley-on-Thames. (89)

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1914 NORWICH yellow cock, two large buff hens, cold-room bred, 10/-; approval; deposit: Williams, Woburn Abbey, Beds. (93)

NORWICH cocks and hens, yellow and buff, bred from winners, 5/-, 7/6; approval: Ramsay, 36, Brechin-rd., Arbroath. (95)

PALACE 1914, exceedingly large buff hen, direct Baker (Cowes), certain champion breeder, 15/6: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (92)

GOOD buff Norwich cock, 10/-; hen 5/-; from my winners; approval, deposit: H. S. Naylor, 90, Tivoli-pl., Bradford, Yorkshire. (98)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, 10/6 to £5 pair, own breeding, same strain my Cardiff winners last week: Mullis, Winslow, Bucks. (97)

FOUL yellow hen, clear buff hen, 15/- each; variegated buff hen, 10/-; all unflighted; approval: Steven, 215, Montrose-st., Brechin. (92)

LARGE muling Norwich hens from 6/-; large Norwich cocks from 8/-; approval; stamp: Hendrie, 211, Montrose-st., Brechin. (99)

NORWICH cocks, from 6/6 to 10/- each, hens 3/- to 6/- each, cold room bred: W. Gilbert, 2, Cromwell-st., Red-lane, Coventry. (73)

CANARIES, Norwich, must sell, cocks 5/6, hens 2/3; also large breeding cages, cheap: C.C., 47, Penrith-rd., Thornton Heath. (84)

FOUR well-bred Norwich hens, sound healthy stock, breeding condition, 3/6 each, 12/- lot: Mrs. Jones, Harleeh House, Aberystwyth. (98)

BUFF Norwich cock, 10/-; even marked yellow Norwich hen, 7/6; the pair, 16/-: Worrall, 66, Pountney-st., Wolverhampton. (98)

WELL-BRED Norwich for sale, especially yellow variegated cocks, good stock birds, 10/- to 12/6: Myles, 4, Queen-st., Arbroath. (101)

TWO pairs of prize-bred Norwich Canaries, unflighted, good stock birds, 12/6 pair: Cox, 30, Prince's-rd., Aylesbury, Bucks. (97)

THE whole of my stock for disposal, some grand birds; also cages; for particulars apply: S. Ward, 19 and 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico.

UNFLIGHTED grand buff cock, 12/6; yellow hen, 5/6, 15/- pair; inspection invited: Dawson, 117, Primrose-st., Farnworth, Bolton. (96)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seahright, Castle Douglas. (48)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich clears, and variegs., good birds, cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; approval: Jack, Hairdresser, New Pitsligo. (97)

RETIRING from Fancy; prize strain, genuine bargains; cocks 10/-, 12/6; hens, 3/6, 5/-: Briggs, Fruiterer, Turner-st., Ramsgate. (84)

FEW good Norwich for disposal, both sex, bred from high-class stock; inspection invited (Sunday's excepted): Murrell, Printer, Spalding. (74)

GOOD hardy Norwich Canaries, outdoor aviary yellows, buffs, and variegated, cocks from 5/-, hens 2/6: Waterman, Syndale, Faversham. (85)

NORWICH hens from 3/-, Yorkshires from 2/-, cocks 7/6: Langley, 363, Warlters-rd. Mews (behind Marlborough Theatre), Holloway. (76)

TWO good unflighted clear buff cocks, rare stock birds, 10/6 and 12/6 each; approval: J. Woolhouse, 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsborough, Sheffield. ((104)

NORWICH Canaries for sale, out-door bred; 4 buff cocks, 5/-; 4 buff hens, 2/6; call any evening: W. Findlay, 8, Bickersteth-rd., Tooting. (104)

BARGAINS, prize-bred Norwich, best winning blood, properly matched pairs, 12/6; cocks, 7/6 upwards; approval: Burges,, Eastover, Bridgwater. (99)

REV. BENNETT has surplus Norwich from his prize strain; pairs from 10/6; approval; stamp reply: Papple, 24, Laurence-st., West Hartlepool. (81)

A FEW large unflighted buff cocks for sale, same as my Glasgow winners, few others; reasonable approval: Adam, 225, Montrose-st., Brechin. (75)

WELL bred Norwich, pairs from 25/-, single birds from 12/6, rare shape and quality, on approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (1994)

GRAND matched pairs Norwich, 30/-; approval, winning strain; genuine breeder, exhibitor, not dealer: Olle, 3, Linton Crescent, Hastings. (94)

NORWICH, 3 buff hens, 2 yellow variegs. hens, 2 buff cocks, all unflighted, cheap to clear: John Fulton, 284, Calder-st., Govanhill, Glasgow. (96)

WELL bred Norwich, pairs from 25/-, single birds from 12/6; rare shape and quality; approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (100)

GRAND stock Norwich from winners, 6/6 up; hens 5/- up; 20 years breeder; approval with pleasure: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley. (80)

GIVING up. Final clearance six well-bred unflighted yellows, five buffs, cocks 7/6, 8/6; approval anywhere: Salter, 32, Grosvenor-rd., Rugby. (94)

C. ROBERTS, the noted breeder of champion Norwich, can spare cocks and hens from 10/6 each; approval: Stanmahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (81)

HIGH CLASS Norwich Canaries, cocks, full song, 5/-; hens, 2/6; approval; cash deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Beardmore, Quorn, Loughboro'. (91)

NORWICH cocks from 10/-; hens from 8/-; large yellow cock, year bred, 30/-; ditto unflighted, 25/-; approval; stamp: A. Pirie, 255, Montrose-st., Brechin. (93)

HENRY, 13, King Edward-rd., Ponders End; two green Norwich hens, good strain, large birds, 3/6 each; two pairs prize cinnamon Borders, 7/6 pair. (90)

WINNING clear yellow cock and clear buff hen, 3rd Palace 1914, £4; bargain; also several other pairs cheap; approval: Miles' Aviaries, Chichester. (100)

NORWICH, yellow and buff, variegated cocks, yellow and buff variegated hens, for disposal, reasonable prices: G. Murray, 18, Wellington-st., Montrose. (87)

TWO pair unflighted buff Norwich, lot 10/-, or exchange for one good large unflighted yellow Norwich cock; yours first: J. Casling, Peels Crescent, Otley. (94)

WINNERS and bred off winners; yellow and buff cocks and hens, 1914 birds; in perfect health; approval: Mrs. James Banks, 51, Balhouse-st., Perth, Scotland. (66)

H. TOMSETT, S.W.P.C., has grand non-flights for disposal; no push or bounce; reasonable prices; consistent winner: 34, Enowell-rd., Brockley. (99)

MISS GWYN has some fine birds, bred direct from winners, healthy, typical, good heads; cocks from 9/-; hens from 7/6; approval: Somerville, N-Avenue, Ramsgate. (69)

NORWICH: a few high-class birds from 12/6 pair; kept cold room; over 30 years' breeder; on approval: Sidgwick, Elwick-terrace, Hutton Rudby, Yorkshire. (90)

HIGH CLASS Norwich, cocks or hens, large birds, good heads, grand type, half price, best blood in England; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (75)

HAVING selected breeding stock, can spare three pairs good Norwich, bred from winners, 20/-, 17/6, 15/- pair; approval, deposit: Cheadle, 6, Bathrd., Kettering. (94)

THOMAS HERBERT, 35, South-st., Redditch; large buff cock, 20/-; yellow cock, 15/-; two yellow hens, 7/6 6/6; two large cock Goldfinch Mules 7/6 each; approval, deposit. (93)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each: satisfaction guaranteed: Heatheote's Aviaries, Leicester.

GOLDEN yellow Norwich hen, 1913 bred, very highly commended last week at Haltwhistle, 35/-; would exchange for right good yellow cock: White, 226, Denton-st., Carlisle. (103)

MR. G. A. HARRIS has a few Norwich for disposal, closely related to his winners: typical buff hens from 5/-, cocks from 8/6: 12, Hazlewood-lane, Palmers Green, London, N. (80)

NINE handsome large unflighted buff Norwich hens, one yellow, proper type, 6/6 each; three large buff cocks, all bred from yellows, 8/- each: Ellis, 1, Mill-rd., Kettering. (97)

WANTED, large Norwich hens, exchange variegated Redpoll Mule, Lancashire cocks, variegated Greenfinch Mule, field-glasses, new, Bantams: Hingley, Central Quarry Bank, Staffs. (100)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich, a few good buffs, both sexes, two yellow cocks; also three good breeding cages, three-compartment, all cheap to clear: Speck, 15, Wood-st., Dunston. (87)

J. LITCHFIELD, 32, Tennyson-rd., Luton, winner 61 Ends cup and Norwich cup outright at Luton, has some grand birds to dispose of, cocks from 5/6, hens from 5/-; approval. (95)

UNFLIGHTED buff Norwich cock, good head, 15/-; unflighted buff cock, 10/-; variegated yellow cock, 12/6; buff hen, 10/-; see win Carlisle, Glasgow: Bell, 5, Cecentina-terrace, Carlisle. (99)

GRAND pair high-class Norwich, buff cock, son of my rose bowl winner, 12/6; typical yellow hen, good head, short flights, 12/6, or £1 2/6 pair: F. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (97)

NOW is the time for good blood cheap; unflighted buff cock, 7/6, 10/- each: ticked yellow, 7/6; yellow green, 7/6: approval with pleasure; cup winner 3 years: Dean, Holmswood, Matlock. (98)

MR. ECKERSLEY has very few left to spare now; unflighted buff, perfect type, 10/- only; very shapely marked yellow hen, 10/-; charming buff hen, 20/-: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (95)

SPLENDID Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 2/6, 5/6, 5/- each; 1914 cold-room, clean and healthy; cash approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester (close to Midland Station). (1982)

WE have to dispose some of the finest Norwich and Continental Fancy, with the largest heads and best coloured tail and flights, from 9/- upwards: Symons & Co., Mullion, Helford, Cornwall.

TOUR cocks, 6 hens, yellows, bulls, big, typical Lizard, bred from winners, must clear; cocks 8/-, hens 5/-, worth treble: approval: Silver, 92, Richmond-rd., Earl's Court, London, S.W. (95)

I HAVE some splendid young Norwich, natural colour and colour fed, hens 2/-, 2/6, upwards; cocks, 5/-, 6/, 7/6, 10/6, two monsters, 12/6 each: Syd Mottram, 29, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (76)

FOR sale, Norwich unflighted yellow and buff hens, grand type and quality, related to my winners, 10/- each, cash: Cossell, Editor, approval willingly: Kelsall, 6, Oldham-rd., Bardsley, Ashton-u-Lyne. (69)

1915 VARIEGATED buff cocks, good clears and variegated, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; 1914 buff cocks, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each, few 1914 buff hens, 6/-; approval, cash: Irons, Ivy-rd., Northampton. (98)

CHOICE buff hen, real model for type and quality; 20/-; choice buff cock, champion stock bird, 30/-; grand yellow hen, 10/-; better blood unobtainable; approval: S. Jones, Lydeates, Lynton, Devon. (75)

FOUR yellow, 2 buff hens, 1913-1914 bred, yellows from 6/6, buffs 5/6 each; also variegated yellow cock, 10/6, grand type and quality; approval; deposit: H. C. Gould, 26, Edward-rd., Bedford. (93)

1st UNFLIGHTED, 1st East London, deep feed buff Norwich cock, perfect in all ways, with plenty of substance, 10/-, great sacrifice; worth treble for cash: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (100)

WINNING deep rich fed unflighted yellow Norwich cock, large framed clubby specimen with excellent head, short neck and flights, real gem; accept 17/6: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria rd., Leytonstone. (101)

BARGAIN for some one; three real good clear yellow hens, 1913 bred, now in good form; cold-room kept, price 7/6 each, or 20/- the three; variegated yellow, 5/-: Pearce, Tobacconist, Abingdon, Berks. (97)

FIVE prize bred Norwich buff hens, 5/- each, or the five also two good buff cocks, 7/6 and 10/- each, cold-room bred, approval, cash or deposit: Sergt. Sharp, Police Station, Brackenow, Ludlow. (93)

STANGER'S well-known strain; yellow cock, he Sunderland members', 3 firsts, 2 seconds; buff cock, he Sunderland, 4 firsts, 1 second, only time; a few young cocks: 59, Grange-terr., Pelton Fell, Co. Durham. (104)

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POTTER'S champion Norwich, clear buff, grand feather, good stock bird, 20/-; marked buff, 17/6; few yellows from 12/6; all unflighted; also few typical hens from 10/-; bargains: Potter, Goddard-avenue, Hull. (104)

MR. A. L. HAWKES, being unable to give his exhibition stock of Norwich proper attention on account of his son being away on active service, offers any or all at a great sacrifice; see other advertisements. (41)

HALF-A-DOZEN Norwich Plainhead cocks for sale, bred from my winners, grand condition, reasonable prices; approval most willingly, or inspection invited: W. Casley, 11, Ebrington-rd., St. Thomas, Exeter. (104)

HIGH class buff cocks, massive thick birds, grand heads and necks, bulldog strain, all have won, unflighted, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6 upwards; few good hens; also few cheaper; approval, deposit: W. Dix, 67, Hall-rd., Norwich. (104)

A. L. HAWKES offers an exceptional deep-fed buff Norwich cock and of a remarkable size, full of quality, short neck, flight, and massive head, won several honours, accept 21/-, great sacrifice: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

EIGHT large Norwich cocks (five 1914, three 1912); two green Roller cocks (1914); all sound condition, good song, £3 10/- the lot, or will sell separately; also green Parrot for sale, cheap: Lascelles, Roborough, Valley-rd., Streatham. (90)

NORWICH, good thick set, clear yellow unflighted cock, 9/6, bargain; also two grand clear buff hens, 4/6 each; accept 17/6 the set; clear yellow hen, gem, 5/-; approval, no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (96)

MR. A. L. HAWKES offers another winning rich, deep fed yellow Norwich cock, perfect gem all over, with plenty of substance, such specimen hard to find, especially for yellows, accept 25/-, worth treble for stock: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

SPLENDID pair exhibition Norwich, good colour and type; also German Crested hen, with 4 good breeding cages and all accessories, 30/- the lot; approval, deposit; or exchange good postcard camera: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (104)

WINNING Norwich for sale, marked yellow cock, vhc, Halifax, open show, clear, buff hen, he Bradford National, 35s., cheap at £4; cards sent; also splendid Yorkshires, at reasonable prices; yellow cocks a speciality: Wilkinson, 5, Milton Street, Halifax. (98)

GREAT sacrifice; typical thick-set colour-fed unflighted buff Norwich hen, with exceptional head, deep chest, short flight, real model all over; won several times and bred from Palace exhibit, cost £7; accept 15/-: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (82)

T. SMITHERS has two really good exhibition Norwich cocks, one extra large, lightly variegated yellow, 30/-, and variegated buff, 15/-; non-fed, when fed were always in the money; approval; others from 10/- upwards; wanted, good buff Yorkshires: Hadlow, Tonbridge. (93)

FIRST-CLASS only, no wasters; yellow cock, buff hen, 15/-; large buff hen, 20/-; unflightest buff cock, 10/-; massive buff hen, 25/-; yellow cock, 15/-; yellow cock, buff hen, 20/-; Hardy and Thomas strain; approval; cash order: Field, 4, Lower-st., Kettering. (97)

BIRDS at half value to clear; ticked buff cock, 1914, 10/6; clear yellow hen, 10/6, or 15/- the pair; clear buff cock, 1913, 10/6; marked yellow hen, 7/6, or 15/- the pair; a large clear buff hen, splendid shape, 7/6; marked buff hen, 5/-; approval; deposit: Wheat, Butcher, Shoeburyness, Essex. (102)

J. E. DAVIES, Norwich champion, has for sale, to clear stock, 2 unflighted yellow cocks and 2 buff hens, with each cock, 25/- per set; also a few buff hens, 4/6 each; a grand chance for beginners. These are real bargains, and first postal orders will get them.—Moss Hall, Handforth, Cheshire. (94)

THIS week only; three pairs Norwich, chubby, good heads and necks; every bird bred from actual winners, 15/- pair; clear yellow cock, winner 1st, 25/-; large buff hen, nest sister to big winner, 15/-; own breeding; no bought birds; approval; stamp: Townend, Montrose, Upper Bognor, Bognor.

W. WHETSTONE has a few Norwich for sale, cocks 10/-, hens 5/-, 15/- each; pairs, 15/-, 20/-; every bird bred myself from birds I have shown so successfully, as the following at the last 8 shows, out of 32 entries I got 14 firsts, 10 seconds, 2 thirds, two diplomas; every show bird I have bred myself; approval, stamp: 3, Parker-st., Leek, Staffs. (96)

MR. HAWKES offers large massive thick-set deep fed unflighted buff hen, shown several times, 15/6; another of equal merit, not been shown, 10/-; also rich deep unflighted yellow hen, for shape, size and style will be hard to find, 15/-; also few others of exceptional merit, 7/6 and 10/- each, worth treble for either stock or exhibition: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (101)

AN unflighted yellow ticked cock, very typical, good head and flights, a promising youngster, 15/-; a grand clear buff, good in size and Norwich points, extra good head, 15/-; one yellow and one buff, 1914 Norwich green cock, grand in type and quality, 10/6 each; all these contain the blood of Baker's, Thomas's and Midgley's best strain, and can be relied on for producing birds of merit; approval: Cannon, Hemel Hempstead. (97)

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E. BAKER, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, one of the best studs in the world, winner of 14 cups, 7-guinea shield, 25-guinea bowl, salad bowls, gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas for best Norwich at Crystal Palace, two L. and P.O. challenge cups won outright at Palace, etc.; also hundreds of other prizes too numerous to mention; some good birds, single and pairs, for sale at very reasonable prices; those who were disappointed last year should write at once: Victoria Aviaries, 13 and 14, High-st., Cowes, I.W.

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If you are undecided, try any of the following trio, namely, prize-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Mountain Rollers, Border Fancies, or Lizards. Pairs, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6. Travelling cages, 3d. Double breeding cages, fitted complete, 5/6; single ditto, 3/-. List of all others free.—W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

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Clear and marked buff and yellow hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (94)

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Large typical Norwich; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury.

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offer real tip-top, reliable songsters, specially selected (week's approval), at 6/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; pairs, correctly matched, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6; grand yellow and buff cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/- each upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 10/-; state wants. (98)

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Direct from last few year's Crystal Palace strains, have proof; yellows or buff cocks 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/- to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/; breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London.

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Champion Norwich, monster, 1914, clear buff cock, 17/6; 1911 clear yellow cock, 10/6; 1914 variegated buff hen, 4/6; 1914 variegated buff cock, 8/6; 1911 clear buff hen, 10/6; 1914 ticked yellow cock, 7/6; 1914 variegated yellow cock, 9/6; 1914 ticked yellow hen, 5/-; 1911 ticked buff hen, 5/6; 1914 variegated yellow hen, 6/-; 1914 ticked buff cock, 7/6; 1914 clear buff hen, 6/6; 1914 clear buff cock, 9/6; 1914 clear yellow hen, 6/6; 1913 variegated yellow hen, 8/6; 1911 clear yellow buff cock, 12/6; 1914 variegated yellow cock, 15/-; 1911 clear buff hen, 12/6; 1914 clear yellow hen, 12/6; 1914 variegated buff cock, 12/6; 1911 variegated buff hen, 10/6; 1914 clear yellow cock, 17/6; 1911 ticked yellow cock, 12/6; other cocks and hens at proportionate prices; also judiciously matched pairs to breed winners, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 21/-, 25/- and 30/- pair; these are all good in size, type and quality, are clean, strong and healthy, and coldroom bred from the best blood in the Fancy; state your wants fully and I will guarantee satisfaction; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction rd., Norwich. (99)

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I have the finest stock of Norwich for sale in Bradford. Call and see them if you don't believe me. Real Bullfinch type and for size and quality cannot be beaten; grand colour-fed cocks, in full song, at 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; some lovely hens, to match, at 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Properly matched pairs at 10/- upwards, and a few special pairs at 20/-, 30/-, 40/- a pair. These are the birds for good heads and short cobby specimens; sure to produce winners; all cold-room bred; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit Editor; inspection invited: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (102)

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FEW Hartz Mountain Roller cocks, good songsters, from 4/-, two 7/6; hens, 2/6 each: Franklin, Feltham, Middlesex. (102)

RANDALL'S deep Glucke Rollers; cocks 7/6, hens 3/- each; 3 for 8/-; approval: cash or deposit: Lay, 89, Byron-st., Northampton. (104)

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BREEDER: Glucke and Water Glucke Roller cocks, from 10/6 upwards; hens from 3/6; approval: John Wyre, Colley-lane, Cradley, Staffs. (104)

ROLLERS, Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; hens 4/-, or exchange: Eccleston, 48, Merridale-st., Wolverhampton. (93)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, full song; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Scabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

GRAND Roller cocks, 10/- each; approval; Queck's 1914 organ, 35/-, cost 70/-, perfect condition: Evans, Lightwood, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (96)

RANDALL'S Glucke and Water Glucke direct, two pairs at 15/-, two pairs at 17/6, bred from winners: approval deposit: Hayward, Melksham. (70)

HIGH class Roller hens, cold room bred, 3s. each, two for 5/6; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Britton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (97)

HIGH class cock Canaries, also six Mules, all on full song, 7/6 each, 33/- for six; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (99)

I CAN now spare a few good stock cocks, all B.R.C.C. rung, 1914, cheap to clear, 7/6, 8/6; hens 7/- each: Roe, 50, Sedgwick-st., Preston. (95)

HAVE five Rollers left, real songsters, sale or useful exchange; also double breeder, sliding partition, 3/9: Jackson, 1, Hereford st., Nelson, Lancs. (91)

GRAND Seifert Rollers, Randall's strain, lovely songsters, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6; cold room bred; approval: Hitch, Stafford st., Walsall. (56)

HIGH class Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens 4/-; 7 days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (98)

SCHOOLMASTER Seifert, cold room, 1914, first 10/6; hens, breeding condition, same quality, 2/6, 3/6; approval willingly: Levy, 614, Fulham-rd. (99)

HIGH CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room: cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

FIVE pair Roller-Norwich, good songsters, full song, yellows and bulls, cocks 5/6, hens 2/6, 35/- lot: A. Holmes, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Derbyshire.

HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, lovely rolls, few cocks left, 8/6, 10/6; hens, same strain, 2/-; room wanted: Wakefield, 42, Hurd-field-rd., Macclesfield.

GRAND Seifert Rollers, cocks 6/6 upwards, hens 2/6 upwards; Randall's and Roehl's strain: cold-room: Beese, 17, Pitfield st., Kates Hill, Dudley.

IVE'S champion strain, hens of the above strain, warranted bred from first-prize winner, 7/6 each, B.R.C.C. rung: Wilson, 421, Weelsby-st., Grimsby. (101)

HIGH CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 4/-; 7 days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (33)

HIGH-CLASS 1911 Glucke Rollers, pure Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/6, hens 4/-; approval, cash or deposit: F. G. Martin, 13, Park rd, Wellingborough. (12)

ROLLERS, hens, 1s. dozen, two for 3/6; also I have very fine lot of cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; full week's approval: Enoch Tams Churchest., Longton, Staffs. (55)

TWO [illegible] Canaries, specially singers, 11/- each, or two for [illegible]; these are magnificent birds; write Mrs. Gray, The Elms, Yiewsley, Middlesex. (102)

SIX 1914 pure Seifert Rollers, own breeding in cold room, on full song, 10/6 each; one 1913 Schoolmaster, 20/-; approval, deposit: H. E. Fletcher, 21, Curzon-st., Derby. (84)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers for sale, the same as my winners at all the leading shows last year; cocks 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens 5/-: Best, 5, Almaplace, Beckett-st., Leeds. (79)

TOMLINSON'S high-class Rollers, five hens, 6/- each; cock, £1, 21 points P.R.C.C. Manchester, B.R.C.C. rung 1914; Buhl organ, 35/-: Jas. Williams, 77, Warren-rd., Southport. (92)

ROLLERS, B4 rung, cocks 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; approval; bred from my cup winner International and Bacup, 1914: Broadbent, 80, Alverthorpe-rd., Wakefield. (94)

SEVERAL pairs, good, healthy Rollers, beautiful notes, from 7/6 to 15/-; hens separately, 2/6; approval: Milward, Orchard Lodge, Malvern. Two handsome Goldfinch cock Mules, full song, 7/6 each.

GLUCKE Rollers, Randall's strain; cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 4/-; or accept offer for ten pairs, all B.R.C.C. rung, all bred from winners: Nicholls, Claremont Villa, Dawson-rd., Kingston-on-Thames.

HIGH class Glucke Rollers, cold room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 to clear; hens all sold; approval, cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (95)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, two schoolmasters, 20/- each; a few other cocks, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6 each; all one strain and 1914 rung; approval, deposit: Smith, 19, Lichfield-rd., Newnwenton, Wolverhampton. (92)

CLEARING out, high-class Seifert Roller cocks, in full rolling song, day and gaslight, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 3/6, 5/-; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (101)

HAVING selected my breeding stock I can now supply a few good high-class Water Glucke hens, B.R.C.C. rung 1914, all bred from winners, 4s. each, 7/6 couple; honestly worth double; approval: Wignall, 203, Ribbleton-lane, Preston. (97)

A. GOODING has several Glucke and Water Glucke 1914 cock birds for sale from 10/6; bred from prize birds; hens 3/6 to 12/6: all rung; approval willingly; member of B.R.C.C.: 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (100)

J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner seven cups, 25 silver and bronze medals, has for sale few of his champion strain Roller Canaries, cocks 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-; hens 7/6, 10/- each; also few Koller birds; prices moderate; approval.

ALL wins this season, first, cup, he, c, Rossendale; extra, first, special Bolton, ex. 4, vhc, Manchester; vhc, Birmingham. Some of the above winners and brothers to same, Glucks strain, 25/-, 30/-, best strain in the country; Wanthing, 32, Co-operation-st., Bacup, Manchester. (71)

A. W. CADMAN, 17, Manlove-st., Wolverhampton, deep Glucke winning strain, and some of my wins: 4 firsts, 7 seconds, 5 thirds, 7 fourths, 3 fifths, 3 sixths, 3 sevenths, 4 vhc, 9 hc, 5 c, 55 specials, three cups, 10 medals and numerous other prizes; a few hens left 5/-, 7/- each; seven stock cocks; also pure Roller cocks. (46)

H. POWELL'S wins this season: Ex 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd, ex 3rd, 4th, 4th 4th and 14 specials prizes including silver medals at Midland, Provincial and Bolton shows, 2nd, team class, City of Birmingham, and International wins London, February, 5th and 6th; cocks from 30/-, hens 12/6: Powell, 381, Lower High-st., West Bromwich. (88)

BRITISH-BRED Rollers; pure Seiferts, Randall's glucke and water glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; hardwood cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/- each; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.

FOR sale, a few good stock birds at 15/-; contest singers, 20/- each; hens 4/-, 5/- each; Willows' strain; also 12 B.R.C.C. show cages, 24 wire training cages, with or without cabinets; 4 travelling cases to hold 2, 3, 4 and 6 show cages; Queck's organ, three large flight cages, 4 double-breeders, two racks; also a large quantity of seed; everything as new; on approval willingly: W. H. Morris, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham. (95)

CONTEST Rollers, Glucke and water Glucke strain. A splendid opportunity for beginners and fanciers to obtain good birds cheap; not having time to give my birds proper attention, I have decided to dispose of all my stock at great sacrifice; six cocks, including two commended, fourth and special this season; also second prize winner last season, cost £3; prices from 10/- each; hens 2/6, 3/-; all rung and bred from Cadman's winning strain; five show cages, 1/9 each; twelve all wire training cages, zinc drawers, 9d. each; nest pans, etc., cheap; offers for lot; useful exchange; talking African Grey Parrot wanted, would give value in Rollers; no rubbish offered or wanted; enquiries invited: Mayo, 16, Oak-st., Wolverhampton. Member M.R.C.C. (96)

BRITISH BRED ROLLERS

Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of the best organs, price 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; 100 trained, all guaranteed, and on approval, hens 2/6, 3/6; best lot Rollers in England; proper Roller box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beauties, 3/-; established 50 years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: Sandiford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

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Having purchased the entire stock of a very successful breeder, I am in a special position to offer exceptional value in high-class Rollers. Every bird I can guarantee bred from a well-known and successful strain of contest Rollers. I am offering these birds at the following prices: Cocks in full rolling song, with many changes of tours, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each; hens 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each; matched breeding pairs 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- per pair; all birds sent on 10 days' approval at my sole risk; satisfaction guaranteed; terms cash, or deposit with Editor: Joe Thomas, Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks.

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Highly trained under real schoolmasters, imported direct from Belgium to London shop, good as any that ever came in England; fit for any palace; price 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; hens 1/9 and 2/-, two 3/-; Roller cages 2/-, 2/6 each, beauties. Wholesalers, write for terms; thousands testimonials; estab. 50 years; the old firm: Sandiford, 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London; and 296, North-rd., Preston.

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Some very highly trained birds of best strains known; cocks, **10/6, 15/-, 20/-**; hens, **2/6, 3/6** and **5/-** in finest breeding condition. Other cocks, **6/6, 7/6, 8/6**; hens **2/-**; cages **3d.**—**W. RUDD, The Bird** Specialist Norwich.

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Having purchased the whole stock of Mr. Wirth, of Liverpool, including his winners, etc. I am offering cocks, in full song, at 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, and 25/- each; hens, 5/- each; all B.R.C.C. rung; also cabinets and training cages, to be cleared cheap; one Buhl's training organ, in perfect condition; first P.O. £2 secures it; originally cost £3 10/-; 1 Queck's organ, 30/-: R. Kremmer, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

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Cock Canaries, the third lot offered this season, and the finest that could be purchased for cash; every bird in grand condition, and real schoolmasters, and contest singers, only, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each, or 42/- the stick of seven; hens 1/9, 2/- each, 3 for 4/6; stick of 14 14/-; Belgian Rollers, cock Canaries, trained under the schoolmaster, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, 1/3, 1/6 each, cock Siskins, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; established a century; cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1975)

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There is a lot of shout about strains and breeds. Some there is, and some there is not. What you want is a real good genuine trained songster, one that you can rely upon, a breed that has stood the test against all comers for the last twenty years, a class of Rollers that has merited the praise of every purchaser and all hearers. I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and price are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Storey's genuine trained St. Andreasburg or Hartz Rollers, cocks with full change of song by day or artificial light, price according to quality of song, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, a few extra good songsters 12/6 each. I have none of the common half-bred rubbish, but have a few classic hens, 1/9, 2/6, 3/- each. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages, 3d. each, 2/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: E. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

14 DAYS' TRIAL—OUR RISK

Preston Contest Rollers, all guaranteed English bred, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years and have received thousands of testimonials. Here are a few:—Mr. A. E. Jeffries, Hartforth, Richmond, Yorks: Breeder and Exhibitor, writes, Jan. 27, 1915: "Roller started one hour after arrival. I don't know how you can turn such grand birds out at the price. I am certain the two I have are good enough for any contest." Mr. W. Taylor, 9, Salisbury Road, Cathays, Cardiff, writes, Jan. 30 1915: "Roller Canary purchased from you gives entire satisfaction." Mr. Wm. Sainsbury, 35, Rifle Green, Blaenavon, Mon., writes, Jan. 30, 1915, "Bird received safe, and I am quite satisfied with it." Mr. J. E. Smith, Monk Hill, Pontefract, writes, Feb. 3, 1915: "I am highly satisfied with bird." Mr. I. G. Baker, 17, Glebe Street, Penarth, writes, Jan. 28, 1915. "Roller cock started to sing as soon as he was put in his cage." These wonderful songsters only 15/- each, on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised and be your own judge. Hens, same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each. Belgian Roller cocks, in full rolling song, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6 and 10/6 each; hens 1/6 and 2/- each; also Yorkshires and Norwich Canaries, all on trial at our risk; lists free: Bairstow's, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (78)

Scotch Fancies.

YOUNG buff Scotch Fancy cock, good, cheap: Wilson, 236, Allison-st., Glasgow. (81)

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

SCOTCH Fancy, young buff hen, large good bird, 6/-; approval: James McGregor, 34, Queen-st., Tayport. (88)

SCOTCH Fancy cocks and hens, young birds; approval; seen any time: J. Fleming, 166, Moorpark, Renfrew. (101)

SCOTCH Fancies, few good birds at moderate prices; approval: Armour, Loudon-rd., Newmilns, Ayrshire. (101)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 20/-; Border cocks, even marks, 6/6: Strachan, 30, Maule-st., Arbroath. (101)

FOR sale, young Scotch Fancies, prize-bred; exchange for first crests or Belgian: Rigby, 69, Oswald-st., Falkirk. (90)

SCOTCH Fancy buff cock, buff pied hen, £1 8s.; or exchange yellow or buff hen: T. McNeill, 84, Newrow, Tranent.

SCOTCH Fancy Canaries, giving up breeding; must be sold; cocks and hens cheap: Miller, 55, Deptford Bridge, Greenwich. (100)

WELL bred Scotch Fancies, buff piebald hen and yellow piebald hen, 20/- each; approval: Renwick, 126, Ingleby Drive, Glasgow. (104)

SCOTCH Fancy; one buff green cock, two buff piebald hens, two buff green hens, young: George Simpson, 73, Alma-st., Falkirk. (67)

FOUR pair of Scotch Fancies for sale, 1 dozen breeding cages, 2 flights, for sale: Thomas Keary, 486, Hamilton-rd., by Cambuslang. (101)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, buff piebald hens, clear yellow hens, clear buff cock, buff piebald cocks, young birds: James Little, 25, Gilmour-st., Paisley.

1914 FIRST cross yellow cock, grand top and shoulders, 30/-; also 1914 first cross buff cock, good stock bird, 20/-; or exchange both for good buff hen; approval: Powell, 79, Seedhill-rd., Paisley. (70)

ONE buff pied cock 15/-, one yellow green cock, one yellow pied cock, one buff hen, young, 25/- each; also one pair matched: Phillips, 18, Westendpark-st., Back, Glasgow. (77)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLER3, Yorkshire Specialists, unbeatable 30 years, championship, best in show, Palace, 1914. Some of the best living for disposal, wonderful length and quality; approval: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the N.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

UNFLIGHTED hens from 3/- each: J. Scoble, 32, Dorville-rd., Hammersmith. (94)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 63-68, Selater-st., Shoreditch

YORKSHIRES, yellows, buffs, c.f., from 7/6: A. Challis, 4, Wolsey-av., East Ham. (89)

TWO smart unflighted yellow Yorkshire hens, 4/- each: Eddy, Bellevue-terr., Penzance. (99)

YORKSHIRES, buffs, yellows, singing strong, from 7/6: A. Challis, 4, Wolsey-ave., East Ham. (34)

R. A. NEWLEY requires Yorkshires; fair prices given; address: 24, Stockwell Green, London, S.W.

YORKSHIRE cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, 10/6 pair: 1914, yellow, buff; Miss F. Bird, Farcet, Peterborough. (89)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshires at reasonable prices; can be seen any time: Hatton, Alexandra Hotel, Penge.

YELLOWS and buffs, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6; green hen, 5/-: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (99)

YORKSHIRES, cold-room bred, cocks 6/-; hens, 2/6: Elliot, 147, Dolphin-st., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (89)

TEN Yorkshire hens, 3/-, 3/6 each, or 25/- the lot; all good birds; Dykes' strain: "Dicks," Newcastle Emlyn. (90)

FEW first-class Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, cold-room bred; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting. (69)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick rd., Liverpool.

CHOICEST Yorkshire hens, 3/- each; two for 5/-; clearing out; good lengthy birds: Perry, 17, Warren-rd., Rhyl. (88)

DEALERS supplied with good large colour-fed Yorks.: Write Rooley Aviaries, 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford.

YORKSHIRE hens, clear buff, clear yellow, ticked buff, 5/- each; approval, deposits Dalzell, Barker-st., Oldham. (103)

YORKSHIRES, variegated, 2 cocks, 6 hens, good type, 40/- lot; will separate: Holmes, 2, Kenmare-rd., Wavertree.

MIDLANDERS note; Mr. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester, has a few nice buff hens and yellow cocks to spare, cheap. (66)

TWO smart pairs Yorkshires, 25/- per pair; few odd hens from 6/6; approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (100)

WINNER 2 cups, gold medal, diploma; upstanding healthy birds from 14/6 pair, or separate; approval: Olive, Sittingbourne. (96)

FOR sale, good Yorkshire cock, buff, 10/6; yellow, 12/6; 6½ inches long: Russell, 4, Malvern-buildings, Fairfield Park, Bath. (88)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshire and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6; stamp reply: Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (21)

T. C. CRAWHALL, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne, offers a few of his well-known strain, singles or pairs. (47)

F. KING has some good stock buff cocks, bred from my winners, from 10/-; inspection invited: 49, Inworth-st., Battersea. (104)

BREEDER'S prize stock of Yorkshires; smart hens from 3/-, typical cocks from 7/6: Goodwin, 136, Warham-st., Kennington, S.E. (89)

YORKSHIRES, hens, 3 yellows, one buff, 6/- each; feathered like wax; own breeding; approval, deposit: Naylor, 78, Tivoli-pl., Bradford. (97)

YOUNG Yorkshire cock and hen Canaries, strong, healthy, for early nesting, 7/6, 10/- pair: Mrs. Clark, 42, Durdham Park, Bristol. (93)

YORKSHIRES, 25 hens, 12 cocks, 5x4x2ft. flight, 4 breeding, 6 box cages, good condition: Whitby, 31, Therapia-rd., Honor Oak, S.E. (52)

REAL good lot of 35 Yorkshire Canaries for sale, cheap; approval; colour-fed, 1914 birds: Rene Stas, 11, Rutland-rd., Harrow-on-the-Hill. (88)

GRAND upstanding birds, unflighted cocks, seven inches long; also some splendid hens, cheap: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (99)

Yorkshires, Norwich, etc.

Champion high-class lengthy yellow or buff Yorkshire cocks, on full song, at **6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-** each. Cannot be equalled elsewhere at double the money. Grand pairs matched to breed winners, at **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- per pair.** Clears, green marked, cinnamon marked, and clear pink eyed; and all cold-room kept; colour-fed and natural colour. Extra good stylish yellow hens at **3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6** each. Buff hens at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each. Just one testimonial out of scores received last week. From 38, Birchall Street, Warrington, Feb. 14th, 1915: "Pair Yorkshires to hand and are the best value I have ever seen for the money. Will recommend you to all I know in this town.—J. H. Howard to J. Taylor." Champion large yellow or buff Norwich cocks at **6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-** each. Pairs matched to breed winners at **10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-** per pair. Yellow hens, **4/6, 5/6, 6/6, 8/-, 10/6** each. Buff hens, **3/6, 4/6, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6** each. Also a good lot of large Crests and Crestbreds, specially selected and trained Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at **6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6** each, which are on full song by day or gaslight. Also a good selection of Sib. hens, Borders, etc. State wants and send for Illustrated price list free. **EASY PAYMENTS.** Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment in any of the above varieties. Full particulars, terms, and illustrated price list post free. All on 7 days' approval at my risk. Travelling cages and feed, **3d.** extra. Only and old address:—

J. TAYLOR,

36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: Macaad, Strabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

TWO Yorkshire cocks, full song, 5/- each, a few good hens 4/- and 5/- each, 1914 birds, colour-fed: J. Hamer, 194, Leigh-rd., Leigh, Lancs. (70)

FEW pairs of Yorkshire Canaries at 8/- and 10/- per pair; or cocks fem 5/6; hens, 3/-: E. L. Morgan, 8, Queen's Parade, Brandon Hill, Bristol. (92)

SPLENDID pair Yorkshires, Hegden's clear buff cock, marked yellow hen, stands well; cheap to clear, 25/-: Edwards, Tailor, Leominster. (99)

HAVING selected breeding stock, surplus birds for disposal, also Norwich, sell cheap; both sexes: Stainton, Earlsgate Winterton, Doncaster. (97)

CHAMPION Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, hens from 7/6; own breeding; inspection invited: Harris, 9, Whitecross, Riverside, Richmond, Surrey. (89)

TWO buff variegated hens, not c.f.; Greenfinch, large cock, proved Muler; 3/6 each: R. Charman, 12, Liverpool-rd., Thornton Heath, Surrey. (95)

FEW good Yorkshires for sale, related to my winners; cocks from 7/6; hens from 3/6; approval: Foxen, 8, Aberdeen-buildings, Bromley, Kent. (66)

THIRTY high-class Yorkshires, cocks and hens, cinnamons and clears, cheap; inspection invited: Brownhill, 29, Mercer-st., Hulme, Manchester. (94)

GRAND Yorkshires; clears, variegated, cocks 5/6, hens 2/6; yellows, buffs; approval, cash or deposit: Wright, 73, Ash-grove, Wavertree, Liverpool. (91)

ROOM wanted; 1914 Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each; hens, 3/- each, also one pair of Bullfinches, 4/- pair: H. Sawton, Market-st., Southport.

SPENCER'S Yorkshires, two pairs from my winners at all leading shows, 7/6 pair; also few hens, 3/6 each; cash or deposit: 17, Wood-end, Hebden Bridge.

GEO. BUTLER, breeder and exhibitor, has prize Yorkshire Canaries for sale; cocks, 7/-; hens, 3/6; pairs, 10/6 and upwards: 63, Burrowlee-rd., Owlerton. (92)

YORKSHIRES, 1914, fine buff, long drawn buff stock cock, even marked wings, bred from even marks, 12/6; approval: Goldsmith, Stationer, Maidenhead. (95)

HEALTHY, cold-room bred Yorkshires, cocks in full song, greens, buffs, 7/6 each; hens, breeding condition, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-: Adey, 56, St. Mary-st., Weymouth. (99)

SEVERAL smart pairs slim, stylish Yorkshires from 25/-; few odd hens from 7/6, rare quality; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London.

COLOUR-FED unflighted exhibition Yorkshires, cocks full song, 7/6, 10/-; evenings, 6 to 9, Saturdays, Sundays, all day: The Breeder, 222, Ribbleedale-rd., Streatham. (82)

FANCIERS, I have some fine yellow and buff cocks, unflighted, at 15/-; grand hens, 5/- each; write stating wants: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, near Huddersfield. (104)

UNFLIGHTED hens, last of my stock this season; lightly variegated buff, 6/-; clear yellow, 5/-; 10/- two; approval, deposit: Howarth, Calvert-rd., Attercliffe, Sheffield. (94)

GOOD healthy Yorkshire hens, bred in outside aviary, fit for mating, 2/6 each, or will exchange for Silkie Bantam pullets; deposit both ways: Taylor, Stationer, Staines. (104)

FOUR clear yellow Yorkshire hens, bred from winners, standard length, 5/- each; 6 clear buff 3/6 each; 1914 birds; approval: Roper, 134, Chester-rd., Seven Kings, Essex. (104)

YORKSHIRES, 6 cocks, 9 hens, colour-fed, some green marked, cocks in full song, some 7in. long, £2 10/-; all in good health: Bound, 28, Easton-st., Thornaby Yorkshire. (97)

OPPORTUNITY is yours. Long upstanding Yorkshire cocks and hens some winners, sell cheap; clearing out; approval, deposit: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (102)

HANDSOME peachy Yorkshire cock, incessant songster, and brass hanging cage, 15/-; 7 days' approval; deposit, or useful exchange: Hallett, Shrublands, Southbridge, Lancs. (104)

J. S. FAIRMAN has several pairs of good stock birds to dispose of, own breeding, related to my cup winners; prices reasonable; inspection invited: 28, Poplar-rd., Old Kent Road. (102)

SMART stylish Yorkshires; I have a few grand birds for sale, show or stock, quality unbeatable; cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-: G. Mitchell, 19, Charlotte-st., Beech, Sowerby Bridge. (72)

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CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, typical cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Priestley, 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (29)

THREE long Yorkshire cocks, full song, 8/6 each; one gross mixed drinkers, new, 6/6; exchange 1914 Yorkshire hens, cock Goldfinches, or tools: Thomas Smith, 27, Swete-st., Plaistow, London, E. (96)

NOTICE, W. Gilbert, 42, Cowcross-st., E.C., having paired up my birds for the season, have 4 cocks for sale, two yellows and two buffs, all clears, from 6/6 to 10/6; and one cinn.-marked buff hen, 4/-. (89)

P. RORKE, 20 years breeder and winner principal shows, has left several first-class Yorkshire cocks, from 7/6; hens from 3/6; inspection invited; approval: 59, Ringmer Avenue, Munster-rd., Fulham.

YORKSHIRE cocks, 1914 birds, bred from Crystal Palace winners by private gentleman, in full song and show condition; must be sold at less than half their value: Smith, 7, Salem-mansions, Bayswater, W. (95)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (96)

ODD yellow cock Yorkshire, good type and in perfect condition; approval; 7/6 to clear; also big buff Muling hen, in fine condition, from outside aviary, 4/-: J. Greenwood, Coleshill, near Birmingham. (96)

JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; approval; carriage paid: Tobacconist, 43, Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (69)

PLEASE observe; giving up: all my Yorkshires for sale, cages, racks, etc., including winners at Coventry, Birmingham, Wolverhampton, etc.; no fancy prices: J. Weekes, 22, Cross Guns-st., Kates Hill, Dudley. (92)

CAN spare few typical Yorkshire cocks from my winners, nearly all unflighted buffs, 6/6; yellows, 7/6, in breeding condition; inspection invited; approval: James Potts, 15, Brewer's Green, Hazel Grove, Stockport. (89)

YORKSHIRES, in the pink of condition; three stylish buff cocks, two yellows, 8/6; four buff hens, over standard length, 5/-; unflighted yellow hens, 4/6; stamp reply: Collins, Church-st., Castleton, nr. Manchester. (90)

RELIEVING OFFICER, DRIFFIELD, has some grand Yorkshire cocks, many 7in. long, splendid colour and quality, 7/6 to 25/-; some lovely slim, upstanding hens, 5/- to 12/6; no better blood; approval willingly.

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, bred from winners: yellow and buff cocks from 10/- each; a few very stylish buff hens from 7/6 each: all in the pink of condition; some winners cheap: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (66)

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RELUCTANTLY compelled to part with the whole of my selected breeding stock, consisting of 12 pairs of Yorkshires; guaranteed to breed winners; pairs from £1 to £5: A. Gledhill, 51, Bertie-st., Sticker-lane, Bradford. (49)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from my challenge cup winners; cocks, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens, 4/-, 6/-, 10/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, £1 upwards; approval, carriage paid: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge.

WINNING Yorkshires clear yellow cock, first, 2 seconds, third; unflighted yellow cock, 2 firsts, 2 seconds, variegated yellow cock, natural colour, 2 firsts, second, 15/- each; approval, deposit: Huyton, Byron-rd., Blundellsands, Liverpool. (98)

MR. LOWE, late secretary of Queen's Park C.B.A., having joined the colours, has all his Yorkshires, mostly Crisp's strain, for disposal; cocks from 7/6, hens 3/6; also a few British; inspection any day by appointment: 10, Station-rd., Kensal Rise, N.W. (104)

MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (27)

JOHNNY PRIESTLEY'S Yorkshires have won at all the leading shows; cocks, same breed, buff, hot colour, marked yellow, cinnamon marked yellow, 10/- each; hens, cinnamon marked buffs, clear buffs, or yellows, 6/-: 258, Hanson-lane, Halifax. (74)

YORKSHIRES, same strain as winners, yellows and buff cocks 7/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- upwards; large stock birds, 12/6 to 30/- each; matched pairs from 10/6 to 30/- upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (97)

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EXCEPTIONAL offer to fanciers requiring an extra long, lengthy yellow Yorkshire hen, winner, 3rd Stratford, 1st Enfield, 12/6; also buff hen, winner, 10/-, both unflighted and worth treble for stock; must sacrifice immediately; approval: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (100)

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Twitterings.

The annual open show of the City of Birmingham C.B.S. will be held Dec. 1 and 2. Judges, Messrs. J. Robson and J. H. Roe.

Mr. Geo. Baker, of Perry Bar, requests us to ask Mr. A. Milton, of Aberdeen, to be good enough to write him again, as a letter addressed "21, Queensland Street" has been marked "not known."

Mr. C. Grant, hon. sec., Edinburgh Western O.S., writes that all communications for the society should be addressed to him as follows: Gunner C. Grant, No. 1258, 1st C.E. (Reserve), Lowland Brigade, R.F.A., Bedford Barracks.

Mr. J. Rooney, the owner of the variegated buff Norwich, a portrait of which appeared on the front page of our Feb. 6 issue, is of Accrington, not of Watford, as stated in the inscription to the picture (the address was not in the show catalogue).

The silver medal presented by Mr. Allen Silver for most points in British at the Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S. show, was won by A. Cory, writes Mr. W. D. Fryett, Hon. Sec. Mr. Britten presented the Club with the value of gold medal won by him.

We have decided upon W. Mundell and H. W. Battye as judges for our annual open show. Nov. 19 and 20, writes Mr. H. Clegg, sec. Halifax O.S. We have not yet finished our syllabus for 1915, but we are again giving three gold medals to novices, as last year.

I have every expectation of a splendid entry at the pairs show on Feb. 24, writes Mr. V. Wynn, the hon. sec. of the City and Suburban A.C.B., when we have a record list of special prizes (71) and Mr. R. L. Crisp will officiate as one of the judges for the first time with us.

OBITUARY.

MR. I. HADFIELD (Stockport).

I regret to inform you of the death of Mr. Isaac Hadfield, another good old Stockport fancier, who passed away at the good old age of sixty-five, writes Mr. W. Stafford, hon. sec. Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A. Mr. Hadfield was at one time a Lancashire and Lizard man, but had lately taken a fancy to Norwich Plainheads. He was respected by all with whom he came in contact, and our heartfelt sympathy is extended to his family in their sad bereavement.

The Oxford C.B.S. has decided to hold an open show on Oct. 21, Mr. J. Robson judge.

Mr. Thos. Peters writes that he has removed from Gorton to 209, Peel Green Road, Barton-on-Irwell.

Mr. E. North (Bradford) writes that there was an omission of the word "pair" in his advertisement last week, which should have read "12/6 pair."

An error occurred in the pair show advertisement of the London and Counties A.C.B. in our last issue, the date of the show reading Feb. 6, which should have been Feb. 20.

Mr. S. Midgley, hon. sec., writes that the Bradford National Charity show has been fixed for Dec. 3-4. Other secs. please note, to avoid clashing. At the recent annual meeting of the Committee £5 was voted to the Cinderella Fund for poor children.

Fanciers in South-west London should rally round the S.W. London C.B.S., so many of whose members are at the front that the present paid list numbers twelve only. A special meeting is convened for Feb. 25 at the New Gild Hall, Wandsworth Road (see Club Report in this issue).

Entries for Bathgate Show will be taken up till Thursday, Feb. 25, and if late entrants send on birds we will classify, writes Mr. A. Nicol, Sec., 46, High-st. Birds from a distance that will not reach their destination after show will be kept over and attended to until Monday; all the committee are expert fanciers.

A lesson in the art of pairing birds: You will get both this and a pleasant hour by visiting the pairs show of the City and Suburban A.C.B., on Wednesday next (Feb. 24) at the Church Institute, 60, Paddington-st., off High-st., Marylebone (close to Baker-st. Station, and 'bus route). Classes for Canary, Muling and Hybrid pairs, also British and Foreign birds.—Advt.

Mr. J. T. Brown, hon. treas., Manchester and N. Counties O.S., has removed to 19, Stockton St., Moss Side, Manchester.

In answer to numerous enquirers, writes Mr. W. Andrews (Weston, Olney) I beg to say I have sold my Siskin Mule, 1st L.C.B.A., 2nd Watford, to Mr. E. J. Lamb, who has since won 1st at Cardiff with him.

In making up result of points in novice Liz. and Championship of Lancs. and Liz. F.A., writes Mr. John Rukin, I find I have credited T. Millington as winner. The winner was C. F. Bosworth (Kettering) 40 points, T. Millington (Longsight) 2nd, 37 points.

We are asked to notify the following changes of secretaryship: Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S., Mr. E. Lord, 123, Lomax St. (replacing Mr. W. Adams); Todmorden C.B.S., Mr. J. M. Spofforth, 2, Upper Raglan St. (replacing Mr. T. E. Barker); Bingley O.S., F. Craven, 8, Norman St. (replacing Mr. H. Shaw); Great Horton O.S., A. W. Hartley, 26, High Street (replacing Mr. J. Holroyd); East Ham F.S., Mr. W. A. Harwood, 6, Swinburne Avenue, Manor Park, E. (replacing Mr. W. Kite); Portsmouth and S. Counties O.S., Mr. C. J. Olding, 52, New Rd., Buckland, Hants (replacing Mr. G. T. Hall); Guiseley Yeadon C.B.S., W. Rose, 3, Church St., Guiseley (replacing Mr. W. Long).

Corrections in Show Reports.

In the British Goldfinch class at Paisley show Mr. R. McGill won 3rd, not Blackley as reported, and Mr. R. Gentleman won 1st in Linnets, not McLoy. 3rd in Bullfinch hen class at the Welsh National should read Steel, not Still.

Well Done, Guiseley!

The members of the Guiseley, Yeadon, and Dis. C.B.S., are heartily to be congratulated upon the result of their show, held on Feb. 6, on behalf of the local Belgian Relief Fund. A nice little show of 100 birds was opened by Lady Peel, and the substantial amount of ten guineas was handed over in aid of the local fund.

The Proper Spirit.

I am still in the Fancy, writes Mr. E. R. Roberts, of Penygroes, and though I have not exhibited the last two seasons, I hope to next. I am sending you 2s. 6d. donation to the fund for eggs for our Wounded Soldiers. We have sent several donations already, and two of my brothers and their cousins are in the Army—one brother is on the way to the Front, and two cousins are there already.

Good Boy, Luther!

There was evidently some fun at the annual tea and concert of the Windhill C.B.S. We note, from the secretary's report, Mr. H. H. Towers challenged that equally well-known exhibitor of Yorkshire Canaries, Mr. Luther Ogden, to sing a song, the company to decide who was the best vocalist. Mr. Towers earned great applause; and then Mr. Ogden, after a little gentle persuasion, sprang a surprise (nobody thought he could sing at all!) by equalling the effort of Mr. Towers. So "H. H.," instead of a walk-over, got only the verdict of a draw.

Notice—The London & Counties A.C.B. are holding their **Pair Show** on Sat., Feb. 20th. Judge, Mr. Robson, at the **Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse, E.C.** Show open at 5.30; admission by ticket, 3d. (including catalogue).

BATHGATE 27th February

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A Great Performer.

I was pleased to see my old yellow Yorkshire on the front page of your last issue, writes Mr. L. Dykes (Bolton Woods). He is now six years old, and has had a most successful career, having won 1sts at the Crystal Palace, Scottish National, Bradford National, and other leading shows, including most of the Yorkshire Union fixtures. The win at the Welsh National show was not bad for a bird of his age, seeing what a strong class it was.

The Importance of Tubbing.

I won 3rd prize in buff ticked Yorkshire cocks at the Welsh National show (not Watkins as in your report) writes Mr. T. C. Crawhall (Newcastle). I hardly dare correct this, as my birds were shown in a disgracefully soiled condition, but I had not intended showing again after the Scottish National, and only at the last moment decided to send to Cardiff, which accounts for my birds being staged unwashed, and probably accounts for the 1st prize Scottish National unflighted buff being cardless.

WHERE BUSINESS IS AS USUAL.

"The enquiries for my birds were so many that I could not answer them all."—THOS. PETERS (Barton-on-Irwell).

"I sold over £30 worth of Norwich through the last two 2s. 6d. advertisements in your paper out of the 90 I bred last year, so I can thank CAGE BIRDS for the profit it has brought me. I have only been in the Norwich fancy three years, so, novices, buck up and have a dip."—N. LEESE (Normacot).

"Through my advert. in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, I have sold out all my surplus and cannot answer all enquiries. Your adverts. columns are a boon to the Fancy."—W. CRAWSHAW (Accrington).

"Thanks again to CAGE BIRDS the Budgerigars were all sold by Saturday morning except two, and these were sold by Monday. I could have sold 50 pairs if I had had them, and have received three times more replies than I had birds."—H. KAY (Blackpool).

"Please thank, through your valuable paper CAGE BIRDS, the enquirers for my Goldie Canary Mule and Canary Hen. I answered a few, but I would have been out of pocket had I answered all the lot. I received as many as twenty replies by Sunday first post. This speaks well for CAGE BIRDS as an advertising medium."—W. GOSS (Leeds).

TROUBLES OF BIRD BREEDERS

AND HOW TO OVERCOME THEM.

Instructive short articles read in the recent Essay competition of the City and Surburban A.C.B.

(Concluded from page 16.)

Essay by J. TAYLOR (London, W.C.).

THE greatest difficulty I find is getting the hens to nest properly. When I have a troublesome hen, one that will not make a nice nest, I do it for her. If she persists in pulling it out again, I repeat the operation, and I have found that I have been successful in the end.

Sometimes the lady prefers making her nest and laying on the cage bottom, in the corners, or under the seed or water-pots. If this should be the case, I always put little pots of water wherever she puts nesting material, and I have in this way been successful.

On several occasions I have had hens that would not lay their eggs properly in the nest, but dropped them in the sand tray, or maybe on the side of the nest-pan and nesting material. When I find a hen like that I get a feeding-board, cut a hole in the centre and let the nest pan rest in it. She must drop the egg then either inside the pan or on the board.

If I have a good feeding hen and a bad one, I simply transfer the young from the poor feeder to the good one. That is the advantage of putting up several pairs at the same time. Of course, if you have only one pair, this is no use. But if you can get the young ones a few days old and the mother then lags in the feeding, try the "Fil-up" feeder; it is a success not only for bad feeders, but a bit given with it to the young once or twice a day soon makes them strong.

Sweating Hens: If I have one of this kind I always give a bath daily, with a pinch of salt in it. If she does not bathe freely I spray her with the salt water. I put it down to nervousness in some way; this class of hen wants to be kept very quiet.

Unfertile Eggs: I think the cause of so many unfertile eggs is principally the owner, i.e. getting the birds into too forward a condition. I have proved it so myself. Keep your hens on plain diet (that is, canary seed and rape) say up to the end of February; then give egg-food, etc.

Young Dying in Shell: I think this is due to the shell being too strong, and not allowing the young chick to break its way through, causing suffocation.

Plucking: I have only found this when the young are about fifteen to twenty days old, and the hen gets tired of them and wishes to nest again. Give plenty of nesting material and string to pull at fixed on the wires.

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OXFORD F.S.

Owing to the large halls being taken up by troops, the committee organised a show at the Cape of Good Hope Hotel, Dec. 10, and a very good entry was received. Several new members were made. The two challenge cups were won by Mr. Lewin with a very typical yellow for best in show, the other with an unlighted yellow, the Reading winner. Mr. Billett judged, and his awards were well received. Mr. Callent is a very obliging sec, and things were well in hand.

NOR.: 1, 2, res, Lewin, grand cl. yell. leading, wins cup best in show, very typical throughout, rare size, ideal Norwich; 2nd wing and eye tkd. buff, wonderful size, rare head and chest; 3, Lees, typical yell., hot col., teeming with qual., fails a little in size to winners; vhc, Lees. HEN: 1, Lees, very shapely buff, good head and front; 2, 3, Lewin, short and typical, round as apple, must have pressed hard; 3rd, yell. gr., rare subs., right stamp to breed, good head and well filled neck. UNFLIG.: 1, challenge cup best young bird, Lewin, wing tkd., a yell., true type, hot col., superb qual., Reading winner; 2, vhc, Lees, typical buff, good head and front, runner up for cup; 3, res, Wren, large yell., fails a little in neck to winner; hc, Gough. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Fifield, noted Dutch Frills, very attractive, frills and mantles in A1 form; 3, Gough, very useful Cinn. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Gough, dark Canary, well-known winner, not looking so hot in col. as we have seen him. GOLDF. OR BUFF.: 1, hc, Wren, shapely Bullf., nice col., good cap, rich back, capital bars; 2, Gough, sweet Goldf., rich deep blaze, nice moons, rich breast, well polished, must have pressed; 3, res, White. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, Wren; 3, D. Smith.

WEST CALDER C.B.S.

Annual show, Masonic Hall, Dec. 19. The secretarial duties were in the capable hands of Mr. S. Peden, assisted by a hard-working committee. Entries totalled close on 300, some fine exhibits being on view. Mr. J. F. Bewar, Edinburgh, judged, and his awards seemed to satisfy everyone. Messrs. Peden and Ashcroft won sp. best Nor., Wight, sp. best Brit. Wight most points.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Wilson, fine size and qual., nice head, good wing carr., full of subs.; 2, Girdwood, nice type and cond., good bold head, fine front; 3, Reid, delightful shape, feather and carr., nice subs., clean cut away. HEN: 1, Pate, good in all points, nice head, well drawn in body, fine col.; 2, Taylor, another good one, hard up; 3, Anderson, not the size of winners, but quite a nice exhibit. BUFF CK.: 1, 2 sps, best Nor., 3, Peden and Ashcroft, glossy feather, bold head and front, a good one, well fol. 3, nice head, good body, trifle long in barrel; 2, Reid, nice chest, fine wing carr., good head, full of subs., wants a little handling. HEN: 1, Peden and Ashcroft, fine, short, thick-set, lovely qual.; 2, 3, Bird, good head and chest, nicely moulded, good cond., 3, not far behind, on the small side. VAR. CK.: 1, 3, Reid, fine col., nicely drawn, good head, fine cond., 3, well up in size, fine broad head, nicely packed wings, frills rough in feather; 2, Girdwood, good bold front, short, thick-set. HEN: 1, Reid, fine chubby chest, good head and feather; 2, 3, Peden and Ashcroft, hard up on first, fine silky feather, a nice hen, 3, heavy mkd., good short neck, typical qual. CINN. CK.: 1, 3, Dunlop, big bouncing, heavy chested, nice col, wins well, 3, good size, nice colour, rather thin; 2, Wilson, smaller in type, still a nice one. HEN: 1, Wilson, nice size, good body and cond. A.O.V.: 1, Agnew, fine size, nice col. and markings, typical. BORD., CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK.: 1, sp., Taylor, good all round, fine size, neat head, fine cond.; 2, McKinen, typical, fine compact wings and tail; 3, Anderson, good head and wings, fails in col. HEN: 1, 3, Taylor, well defined body and tail, nice head, full of qual., 3, similar build, paler in col, a little; 2, Agnew, very neat head, sparkling eye, a good one. VAR. CK.: 1, Taylor, nice size and markings, best of cond. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, sp., Agnew, good round head, nicely moulded body, fine wing carr., takes perch well; 2, Taylor, similar build, nice in all points, must have pressed; 3, McKinen, nicely drawn, compact wings and tail. HEN: 1, Morton, typical, fine cond., a wee gem; 2, 3, Martin, 2, nice head, well drawn body, fine feather, 3, not so good in type, rather broad in tail. VAR. HEN: 1, Taylor, nicely moulded, good head and wings; 2, Kerr, fine col. and cond.; 3, Martin, good round head, fine feather, a little unsteady. A.O.V. BORD.: 1, 3, McKinen, yell. gr., fine col., nice type, 3 Cinn., well mkd., inclined to cross wings a little; 2, Agnew, buff gr., fine col. A.O.V. CK.: 1, 2, Kidd, nice Crest, plenty of feather, 2, not so good in front; 3, McKinen. HEN: 1, Kidd, nice one, wins well; 2, Anderson, not the subs. of winner, 3, Wilson. GOLDF.: 1, sp., Wight, good blaze, fine size, H.M., nice moons and tannings; 2, Peden and Ashcroft, fine square cut blaze, neat tannings, inclined to be a bit unsteady, still a nice one, Glasgow 3rd; 3, Stark, rather pale in blaze, good tannings and buttons, nicely staged. BUFF CK.: 1, Morrison, nice cap and bars, rather pale in col., could have given away to 2nd; 2, Peden and Ashcroft, finely defined cap, very nice bars, almost dazzling in richness of crimson, a good one; 3, Anderson, rather smaller in size, nice col. HEN: 1, sp., 2, 3, Wight, good birds, staged in excellent form. LINNET: 1, 3, Morrison, well pencilled, good col., nice size, 3, trifle paler in col., nice pencilling, rather smaller; 2, Wight, good bold front, nice whites and col. GREENF.: 1, 2 sps, best British, 3, Wight, fine size, good broad head, fine col., nice green, a topper, should be heard of later on, 3, smaller in size, fine cond.; 2, Taylor, fine front, nice head, sits well up, A1 col., beaten in size. SISKIN: 1, Peden and Ashcroft, fine yell., good cap, well laced, best of col; 2, Morrison, good size, paler in col, still a nice one, fine cond., 3, Wight, similar build, not so distinct in markings. REDPOLL OR TWITE: 1, Wight, Twite, grand size and col., well laced, nice whites; 2, Anderson, Poll, nice body col, well defined bib and lacing, coming well into flank, well staged; 3, Girdwood, Twite, nice size, not so well pencilled, good wings, nice handling. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE: 1, 2, 3, Wight, Bramblefinch, fine size and col., well spangled Chaffinch, grand whites and marking, much admired Bramble, paler in col., marking a little behind. A.O. HARDBILL CK.: 1 sp., Wight, Yellowhammer, good V and cheek markings, fine size, rather pale in body col.; 2, Morrison, Snow Bunting, nice marking, a beauty. HARDBILL HEN, SMALL: 1, 2, 3, sp, best hen, Wight. GREENF.: 1, Wight, good chubby body, nice size and col.; 2 Peden and Ashcroft, not much to divide well staged. MULE OR HYB.: 1 Wight, Goldf Bullf., fine col., nice blaze, fine cond., on mid side; 2, Taylor, Linn-Cani, well up in size and col.; 3 Peden and Ashcroft Goldf Cani, nicely pencilled feather, nice size, good cond., rather pale in col, well placed. FOR GOLDF.: 1 Wight, lovely quiet blaze, good size, moons and buttons, well finished; 2, Peden and Ashcroft, wanting in blaze and col., fine cond.; 3, Peden, not the size of the others, but a fine all round bird, well staged. MOST POINTS BRIT.: [illegible]

RIPLEY F.S.

First open, Jan. 23 in the large and suitable room at the Horse and Jockey, Ripley, Derby. The show was a great success. Quality was splendid and competition keen. The judge was Mr. J. Vaughan (Huthwaite), whose decisions gave general satisfaction. The whole of the arrangements were admirably carried out under the supervision of the joint secs., Messrs. A. Henshaw and Wilkinson. During the afternoon and evening the show was largely attended.

NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Vardy; 3, Butler and Barlow; 4, Smith; vhc, Lavender; hc, Hucks; c, Edwards. HEN: 1, 2, Vardy; 3, Staley; vhc, Hawkins; c, Hunt; c, Harvey. YORKS CK: 1, 2, Vardy; 3, Smith; 4, vhc, Andrews; c, Sower. HEN: 1, 2, Vardy; 3, 4, Andrews; vhc Sower. CREST: 1, 2, 3, 4, Colledge; vhc, Edwards. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Colledge; 4, Fox; vhc, Edwards. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Bull; 2, Butler and Barlow; 3, Billingham; vhc, Cox; c, Stone. Spl best member's, Cox; best Can., W. Vardy.

MANSFIELD C.B.S.

Cage birds made an attractive display at this show, Dec. 12th. Owing to the requirements of the military authorities, the room which was last year used could not be obtained, and this necessitated the birds being staged in the large hall amongst the other exhibits, and very nice it looked, the shelving being covered with red baize. The committee looked well after the exhibits, and Messrs. Evans and Huskisson made an admirable brace of secretaries, their work being supplemented by Mrs. Evans, who worked untiringly. Mr. C. A. House judged.

Norwich did not come up well. Mr. Sheppard won 1st and 2nd in all four classes with a grand team, being followed by Messrs. Bacon, Lowe, and Hare. Messrs. Oscroft and Miller divided the prizes in the Crest section, the best bird being a nice even-marked crest, shown by the former. Yorks., with six classes, were quite the feature of the show both in numbers and quality, and the special for best bird in show was captured by a lovely yellow hen, shown by Mr. Hymas. Other very smart Yorks. were Mr. Sheppard's four-pointed buff, and the unflighted yellow of Mr. Potts. Some smart birds were also shown by Messrs. Sheppard, Miller, and Hare, especially the former. In breeding pairs Messrs. Lowe, Bacon and Sheppard put down some good Norwich. Mr. Mallatratt led the way in Mules with a smart four-pointed buff Goldie-Canary, and a dark Redpoll-Canary. Mr. Hare coming next with a Goldie-Bullie that was not quite fit. The best of the British was Mr. Hawkins' Goldie, a smart little bird indeed. Mr. Burton staged a good Hawlinch, and was also to the front in foreigners.

SOUTH SHIELDS C.B.S.

12th annual show, Dec. 3, members staging 242 birds. Quality was the best ever staged by the members. Sandiford's medal, A. Tucker; Hyde's sp., W. Smith. Mr. H. W. Batkye judged.

NOR. YELL. (14): 1, Winter; 2, Richardson; 3, Cotts; 4, Tucker. BUFF (12): 1, Winter; 2, 3, Barnes; 4, Watson. HEN (18): 1, Howden; 2, Duke; 3, Richardson; 4, Tucker. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Butler; 3, 4, Deighton. BUFF (5): 1, Deighton; 2, Smith; 3, Duke. HEN (5): 1, 2, Butler; 3, Deighton; 4, Duke. BORD. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Parkes; 3, 4, Duke. BUFF (6): 1, Barnes; 2, Parkes; 3, 4, Duke. HEN (7): 1, 3, Barnes; 2, Hirons; 4, Parkes. CINN. YELL. (2): 1, Richardson; 2, Winter. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Winter; 3, Duke; 4, Richardson. HEN (4): 1, 2, Winter; 3, Richardson; 4, Duke. CREST (5): 1, 2, Duke; 3, Greaves. C.-B. (2): 1, Winter; 2, Greaves. PAIRS (4): 1, 3, Winter; 2, Tucker. MULES (13): 1, Butler; 2, Winter; 3, Woodhouse; 4, Hirons. GOLDF. (5): 1, Parkes; 2, Woodhouse; 3, Ridley and Curry; 4, Thompson. LINNET (10): 1, 4, Woodhouse; 2, 3, McVay. GREENF. (10): 1, 2, 3, McVay; 4, Ridley and Curry. REDPOLL (6): 1, Scott; 2, Ridley and Curry; 3, McVay; 4, Greaves. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (8): 1, 2, McVay; 3, Woodhouse; 4, Ridley and Curry. SOFTBILL (1): 1, Woodhouse. BULLF. (4): 1, Woodhouse; 2, Ridley and Curry; 3, McVay. NAT. COL. (1): 1, Greaves. NOV., A.V. (11): 1, 2, 3, Sharp; 3, Barnes. NOR. YELL., 1914 (10): 1, 4, Coppock; 2, Richardson; 3, Watson. BUFF (9): 1, Thompson; 2, Richardson; 3, Tucker; 4, Coppock. HEN (8): 1, Cotts; 2, Tucker; 3, Coppock; 4, Richardson. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, 2, Butlers 3, 4, Deighton. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Deighton; 2, Smith; 3, Butler. HEN (6): 1, Deighton; 2, 3, Butler; 4, Smith. BORD. YELL. (2): 1, Hirons; 2, Parkes. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Leith; 3, 4, Parkes. HEN (5): 1, Hirons; 2, Leith; 3, 4, Parkes. CINN. CK. (4): 1, 2, 3, Richardson; 4, Winter. HEN (2): 1, 2, Richardson. CREST (2): 1, Winter; 2, Womyss. C.-B. (1): 1, Womyss. SKYLARK (4): 1, 2, 4, Smith; 3, McVay.

STANLEY VICTORIA C.B.S.

Third annual show, Dec. 5, in the large hall above the Victoria Club, a fine place with plenty of size, good light, and entire freedom from draughts. Entries totalled 150, and quality was of a high standard. Mr. W. Elliott, the genial and obliging Sec., had everything well in hand, his great experience enabling him to get through his work without the slightest hitch. Chairman, Mr. R. Peart, is well supported by a grand committee, composed of Messrs. W. Gowland, J. Curry, W. Ostle, H. Roxborough, R. Willay, W. Rendle, J. Lamb, T. Metcalfe, J. Emmerson and G. Lamb. These Workmen's Clubs splendidly support their fancier members in their efforts to popularise the Fancy. The scale of prize money in proportion to the entry fee is greater than in some big open shows, not to mention specials in galore. The show was well patronised. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

YORKS., YELL. (4): 1, Shelly and Wearmouth; 2, 3, Hutchinson; 4, Nicholson. HEN (2): 1, Roxborough; 2, Hutchinson. BUFF CK. (4): 1, Roxborough, 2, Hutchinson; 3, Shelly and Wearmouth. HEN (6): 1, Shelly and Wearmouth; 2, Roxborough; 3, 4, Hutchinson. BORD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 2, Bates; 3, Rendle; 4, Peart. HEN (4): 1, 2, Bates; 3, Shelly and Wearmouth; 4, Peart. BUFF CK. (3): 1, 2, Bates; 3, Goodchild. HEN (4): 1, 2, Bates; 3, Roxborough; 4, Rendle. NOR. YELL., CK. (5): 1, Peart; 2, Gowland; 3, Gailes; 4, Hunter. HEN (5): 1, Gowland; 2, Armon; 3, Gailes; 4, Peart. BUFF CK (10): 1, Emmerson, 2, Gowland; 3, Peart; 4, Curry. HEN (7): 1 Emmerson 2, Gowland; 3, Gailes, 4, Sanderson. NAT COL. CK. (9): 1 Curry; 2, Rendle; 3, Gowland; 4, Rendle. HEN (6): 1, Watson, 2, Mason; 3, Hunter; 4, Hunter. A.O.V. CK. (8): 1, Rendle, 2, Bates. HEN (11): 1, Rendle. LINNET (14): 1, 3, Bates, 2, Hall; 4, Anderson. REDPOLL (8): 1, Sanderson; 2, Poll; 3, Bates 4, Hall. MULE, ETC (8): 1, 2, 4, Peart, 3, Armon. GOLDF (6): 1 Hall; 2, Anderson 3, 4, Bockalay. BUFF (6): 1, spl. best Brit., House; 2, Gaile; 3, Peace; 4, Hall. GREENF. (9) 1 Bowe; 2, Peart, 3, Sanderson; 4, Hutchinson. A.O.V. (6) 1, 4, Peart, 2, Bate 3, Rendle FOR. (6): 1, Peart, 2, Richardson, 3, Curry; 4 Herron.

HALTWHISTLE.

Fourth annual show, Feb. 3, in the Mechanics' Hall, a splendid hall, plenty of size, grand light, free from draughts and comfortably warmed. Entries were disappointing, and the society is deserving of better patronage, for everything is admirably conducted. Borders were a good display, some fine specimens being on view. The novices also staged some good birds. The B.F.C.C. medal was won by Mr. J. Nicholson with a lovely buff cock first time out this season we understand. B.F.C.C. novice medal, Mr. S. F. Bates, with his 2nd prize buff cock; special best member's Border was won by the worthy sec., Mr. W. Tallantyre, with a charming yellow cock. Norwich were down in numbers, but the quality was fine right through. Yorks. were again a fine lot, possibly the nicest seen at Haltwhistle, but again the classes were not well filled. British classes filled up well and contained some noted winners, while the Mule or Hybrid classes contained some fine exhibits. Members' cup for three nominated young birds was won by Mr. W. Tallantyre; runner-up, Mr. J. R. Dodd; best members' Nor. or Yorks., Mr. F. W. Laidlow; best Brit. or Mules, Bowerbank Bros. The secretarial duties were again ably carried out by Mr. W. Tallantyre. He had all his work well in hand and everything passed off without a hitch. He had useful helpmates in the chairman and vice-chairman, Mr. G. H. Bowerbank and Serg. J. Bowerbank (on furlough for the day), and the show manager, Mr. J. Nicholson, and a grand body of stewards, who all worked hard for the success of the show. Judges were Mr. W. C. Duncan, Bord., Brit., and Mules; Mr. A. Holden, Nor. and Yorks.

Mr. A. Holden's Classes.

NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (5): 1, 3, Laidlow, leader grizzle cap, big bold bird, good col. and qual., 3rd cl., smaller good qual.; 2, vhc, Morrison, paler in col., good head and neck, trifle longer in body. BUFF (7): 1, Lawson, var., good head and neck, rich qual. and col., short, neat flights and tail, wins; 2, Peirson, cl., nice short bird, good col. and qual., not so good in head; 3, Russell and Teasdale, cl., good qual.; vhc, Laidlow; hc, c, Morrison. HEN (16): 1, Lawson, buff, rare stamp, lovely qual., rare head and neck, short and compact; 2, Moore, grizcap yell., good size and qual.; 3, hc, Morrison, yellow, good col., nice head, longer in body; vhc, Laidlow; c, White. UNFLIG. YELL. (5): 1, Laidlow, head and wing mkd., good head, fine qual. and col., Birmingham winner, in fine trim; 2, Peirson, mkd. yell., smaller built, paler in col., yet one of the right stamp, will improve; 3, Morrison, cl., good qual., trifle longer in body, finer built; vhc, Russell and Teasdale; hc, Lawson. BUFF (3): 1, Lawson, cl., good col. and qual., deep, full chest, grand head and neck, short one of the right sort; 2, Morrison, cl., not at his best, fine big bird; 3, Peirson, tkd. buff, good col., nice head and neck. HEN (6): 1, Lawson, mkd yell., right stamp, needs no comment, wins easily; 2, Peirson, yell., smaller and paler in col., otherwise a good one, sweet little hen; 3, Lawson, yell., larger than 2nd, loses in col. to leaders, trifle soft when taking notes; vhc, Matthewson; hc, c, Morrison. NOV. (7): 1, 3, Bird, cl. buff cock, plenty of size, good qual., pale in col.; 3rd, yell. hen, better bird, had feather out at neck or no doubt would have won; 2, vhc, White, buff hen, good qual., nice stamp; hc, Morrow; c, Graham. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. (6): 1, c, Stewart, cl. nat. col., nicely drawn, good length, nice pos.; 2, vhc, Thomas, good pos., well up on legs, good col., slim and finely drawn, well rounded body; 3, Dykes, paler in col., nicely drawn, good qual.; hc, Tindale. BUFF (7): 1, Thomas, grand raking bird, fine, good pos. and col., nicely drawn, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Dykes, medium length, straight as a gun barrel, beautifully tapered, nice shoulders and waist, neat head, fine boxy feather, well carried wings and tail; 3, Harrison, wing and eye mkd., good pos., not so finely drawn; vhc, Stewart; hc, Tindale; c, Walsh. HEN (5): 1, Dykes, cl. yell., in grand bloom, grand style and pos., nicely rounded body, well drawn at waist, feather of the finest qual., wins; 2, Steward, grand yell., paler in col., good length, well up on legs, neat narrow shoulders, lovely wing carr.; 3, Thomas, cinn. mkd. buff, nice col. and qual., good length, nice pos.; vhc, Walsh; hc, Tindale. UNFLIG.: 1, Dykes, yell., one of the best, needs no comment; 2, 3, Stewart, leader buff, good col., nice length, very erect, grand wings and tail; 3rd, yell., pale in col., nicely drawn; vhc, Walsh; hc, Tindale; c, J. Thomas. NOV. (6): 1, Dodd, cinn. mkd. yell., good col., nice length, finely drawn; 2, 3, vhc, Topping, paler in col., not so finely drawn; 3rd, buff, good qual., on the short side; hc, Dodd; c, Spraggon.

Mr. W. C. Duncan's Classes.

BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (10): 1, sp., Tallantyre, cl., lovely col. and qual., grand head, wings and tail, in perfect order, a good win; 2, Purves, cl., nice col. and qual., not so well rounded, otherwise a good one; 3, Bates, tkd., nice qual., grand col., good head, well worth his place; vhc, Cubby; hc, Dixon; c, Nicholson. HEN (6): 1, Gilchrist, tkd., in beautiful form, lovely qual. and col., good head, charming exhibit, well worth her place; 2, Nicholson, cl., grand col. and qual., good head and wings, shade slimmer; 3, Higgins, cl., nice type, col., and qual., fails a little in head, otherwise good; vhc, Purvis; hc, Tallantyre; c, Greenwell. BUFF CK. (9): 1, B.F.C.C. open medal, Nicholson, cl., grand type, col. and qual., lovely head and wings, in full bloom; 2, B.F.C.C. nov. medal, Bates, lovely qual., fails a trifle in head, nice wings and tail; 3, Bates, better head than 2nd, but not so well rounded, good feather; vhc, Gilchrist; hc, Purves; c, Nicholson. HEN (9): 1, Gilchrist, tkd. head, in lovely form, beautiful qual., slightly hollow in back, otherwise a beauty; 2, Purves, cl., nice type, col. and qual., better filled in back, but scarcely so rich in qual.; 3, Nicholson, close on 2nd, good type and head, nice qual. and col., well rounded; vhc, Bates; hc, Nicholson; c, Nicholson. MKD., YELL. (7): 1, 3, hc, c, Nicholson, leader well-known cinn. mark, his 25th first, in lovely form again to-day; 3rd, uneven green mark, lovely type, col. and qual.; 2, Purves, four-point cock, nice markings and col., fails a bit in head, otherwise good; vhc, Dixon. BUFF (5): 1, Purves, nice four point hen, neat type, well rounded, could do with a wash; 2, Nicholson, uneven cock, nice type and qual., good feather; 3, Cubby, 3 point cock, nice head and qual.; vhc, Gilchrist; hc, Tallantyre. GR. OR CINN. CK. (10): 1, Nicholson, yell., best of col., lovely grass green, A1 qual., good win; 2, Blakey, buff but fine qual., good col and markings; 3, Nixon, cinn., fine qual., nice shade of col., in fine form; vhc, Middleton; hc, John ton; c, Greenwell. HEN (7): 1, Johnson, lovely yell., beautiful pencilling, nice shade of col., a good one; 2, Blakey, scarcely so neat in markings; yet a sweet little hen, 3, Nicholson yell. cinn., nice pencilling, lovely col.; vhc, Middleton; hc, Strathern, c, Greenwell. NOV. YELL (12): 1, J. Tallantyre, lovely cl. yell. hen fine type, sweet head and neck, might have done well in the open; 2, Sewell, tkd. yell. ck. fine type, good col., not quite so neat in wing carr.; 3, Irving, Gr. ck., beautiful shade of col., nice neat pencilling, grand qual.; vhc, Heslop; hc, Bright; c, Topping. BUFF (10): 1, Cruddas, sweet hen cl., lovely type and qual., nice head and neck, quite a good exhibit; 2, J. Tallantyre, lovely qual., not quite so well rounded, otherwise as good; 3, Heslop, eye tkd. hen, fine qual., sweet head, nice arr., rather thick perches, which told against her; vhc, c, Topping; hc, Heslop. GOLDF. (9): 1, Almond, nice col., good blaze, and tanning, lovely wings and buttons, in the pink; 2, Dr. Wilson, nice cut blaze; 3, Elliott, F.M., trifle wild, with a bit of luck should make a stormer; vhc, Bowerbank Bros.; hc, Phillipson; c, Jameson and Johnson. BULLF. (5): 1, 2, Jameson and Johnson, fine exhibits, big, bold birds, good caps; 3, Almond; vhc, Shield; hc, A. Smith, good bird, nice full breast, good col., nice cap, would have won, but short of wing flights, hard lines. LINNET (9): 1, Stothard, rare size, good pencilling, in the pink; 2, Davidson, also good one, nice shape, good col. and feather; 3, Strathern, good size, looking soft when we saw him; vhc, Philipson; hc, Carr; c, Clark. SISKIN, ETC. (14): 1, Dr. Wilson, Twite, old warrior, needs no comment; 2, Carr, Siskin, had to take second place to-day, fine shape and size, lovely col., neat cap, nicely laced on flanks; 3, c, Bowerbank Bros., Redpoll, sweet exhibit, shown in fine trim; vhc, Strathern; hc, Heslop. A.O. BRIT. (12): 1, Dr. Wilson, Meadow Bunting, in fine trim, nice col. and cond.; 2, 3, Davidson, Waxwing leading, in one order, 3 Corn Bunting, rather wild; vhc, Dixon; hc, Philipsen; c, Strathern. FOR. (3): 1, 2, Almond, Rainbow Bunting, in fine order, pure and distinct colours, much admired, 2 pair Cordon Bleus; 3, McWilliams, Mynah, a rare mimic, had a lot of admirers around him, in grand trim. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, 3, Maddison, cls., fine size and shape, lovely col. and qual., in the pink; 2, Dr. Wilson, Can. Bullf., medium size, fine shape, grand col., looks out of cond. to-day; vhc, Williams; hc, c, Bowerbank Bros. DARK: 1, Maddison, Goldf. Mule, rare exhibit, grand col., rare size, nice face, lovely wings; 2, Gilchrist, "Border King," noted winner, not the subs. of 1st, good col., nice face; 3, Peirson, Siskin-Can., rare size and col., in fine trim; vhc, hc, c, Bowerbank Bros.

CLITHEROE C.B.S.

Seventh annual show, National School Rooms, Dec. 5. The show was opened by the President, Ald. J. T. Whipp, and the chair taken by the Vice President, Ald. W. Hardacre. Sec., Mr. J. Southworth, assisted by a willing lot of stewards, had everything in tip-top order. J. Barnes won cup for best bird in show; J. Sharples, sp. best col. fed. H. Higson, sp. best hen. Mr. J. Walsh, Blackburn, judged.

CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, Barnes; 2, Metcalfe; 3, Bell; 4, Speak Bros. BUFF: 1, Barnes; 2, Demain; 3, Metcalfe; 4, Calvery. TKD. YELL.: 1, Sharples; 2, Barnes; 3, Cook and Son; 4, Demain. BUFF: 1, Briggs; 2, Bell; 3, Cook; 4, Cook and Son. YELL. HEN: 1, Cook and Son; 2, Speak Bros.; 3, Barnes; 4, Sharples. BUFF: 1, Barnes; 2, Sharples; 3, Cook; 4, Demain. YELL. HEN UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Barnes; 3, Higson; 4, Blackburn. BUFF: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Barnes; 3, 4, Cook and Son. YELL. CK. UNFLIG.: 1, Calvery; 2, 3, Metcalfe; 4 Higson. BUFF: 1, Barnes; 2, Demain; 3, Metcalfe; 4, Cook. NAT. COL. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Barnes; 3, 4, Cook and Son. BUFF: 1, Cook and Son; 2, 3, J. Briggs; 4, Hargreaves. CINN.: 1, 2, 3, Barnes. A.O.V.: 1, Barnes. MULE or HYB.: 1, Briggs; 2, Garnett. GOLDF. or BULLF.: 1, Calvery; 2, Blackburn. LINNET: 1, Barnes, junr.; 2, Calvery. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Calvery; 2, Blackburn. FOR.: 1, Bennett; 2, Sharples.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Second annual open Roller Canary singing contest, under the patronage of the British R.C.C. and Provincial R.C.C., Dec. 19, Crown Hotel, Hill St., Birmingham. Messrs. Kilshaw (Bolton) and J. Tomlinson (Newcastle, Staffs) judged 159 birds. All specimens which could not be safely sent for long distances after the show on Saturday were kept in showroom and given into the hands of railway company by 11 o'clock a.m. on Monday.

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS (44). Judge, Mr. Kilshaw: 1, spl, Neugebauer, Hollow Roll 5, Hollow Bell 3, Bass Roll 4, Glucke 1, Fine Notes 2, Water Roll 2, Water Glucke 3, Bell Tour 1, Bell Roll 1, general effects 5, total 30 points; 2, Neugebauer, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 4, Gl. 4, F.N. 2, W.R. 1, W.G. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 29; 3, Unsworth, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 4, G. 2, F.N. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 28; ex 3, Neugebauer, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 5, G. 3, F.N. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 1, G.E. 5, total 28; 4, Neugebauer, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 5, G. 4, F.N. 1, W.R. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 1, G.E. 5, 1 off for sharp flute, total 28; ex 4, Shipley, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 4, Sch. 2, F.N. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 27; vhc, Buffin, 27; hc, Heatherley, 26; c, Shipley, 26. No. 13, no song. NOVICE (59), Judge, Mr. J. Tomlinson: 1, spls, Healey, H.R. 4, Bs. R. 6, G. 4, F.N. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 4, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 29; 2, Powell, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 4, Sch. 3, F.N. 3, W.G. 2, D.B.W.T. 2, G. Roll 2, G.E. 4, total 28; ex 2, Evans, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 4, Sch. 3, G. 2, F.N. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 4, 1 off for Anfzug, 1 off for sharp flute, total 28; 3, Rhodes, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 5, Sch. 3, G. 2, F.N. 3, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, G.E. 4, total 27; ex 3, Gooding, H.R. 5, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 2, G. 4, F.N. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, G.E. 4, total 27; 4, Hunter, H.R. 4, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 4, Sch. 2, F.N. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 27; ex 4, Etherington, H.R. 6, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 2, Sch. 3, F.N. 3, D.B.W.T. 3, G.E. 4, total 24; vhc, Worton, 25; hc, Rhodes, 23; c, Atkinson, 23. Nos. 17, 44, 52, no song. CHAMP. OLD BIRDS (13). Judge, Mr. Kilshaw: 1, Buffin, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 5, Sch. 2, F.N. 3, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 27; 2, Hill, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 4, G. 2, F.N. 2, W.R. 3, W.G. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 26; 3, Heatherley, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 4, F.N. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, 1 off for ugly call, total 26; vhc, Shipley, 24; hc, Tomkins, 23; c, Stewart, 20. NOV. ANY AGE (24). Judge, Mr. Kilshaw: 1, Santer, H.R. 5, H.B. 4, Bs. R. 4, F.N. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 29; 2, Gooding, H.R. 4, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 4, G. 2, F.N. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.T. 1, B.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 25; 3, Smith, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs. R. 3, F.N. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 1, B.R. 1, G.E. 4, total 24; 4, Rhodes, H.R. 5, H.B. 2, Bs. R. 5, G. 3, F.N. 3, B.T. 2, G.E. 5, 1 off for ugly call, total 24; vhc, Thwaites, 23; hc, H. Powell, 23; c, W. Hoyle, 22. 30s SELL. CLASS (14). Judge, Mr. Tomlinson: 1, Hill, 26, 2, Heatherley, 24; 3, Morris, 19; 4, Tomkins, 19. vhc, Roberts, 18; hc, Santer, 18; c, Humphries, 17; Nos. 9, 12, no song. CHAMP TEAM: 1, Neugebauer; 2, Shipley; 3, Hayward; 4, Hill. NOV: 1, Portlock, 2, Powell, 3, Santer.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.

Annual show, Dec. 12, Wharfe Hotel. Entries did not quite come up to previous years, but what was lacking in numbers was made up in quality. Mr. H. W. Walsh, Halifax, gave every satisfaction as judge.

OPEN. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. CK.: 1, 3, 4, Mitchell; 2, hc, Sutcliffe; vhc, Stobart. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Mitchell; 4, Walker. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Mitchell; 4, hc, Walker; c, Sutcliffe. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Mitchell. VARIEG. CK.: 1, 2, vhc, Stobart; 3, Walker; 4, Sutcliffe; hc, c, Mitchell. HEN: 1, 3, Walker; 2, 4, Stobart; vhc, Sutcliffe. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, c, Thornton; 3, Wild; 4, Twycross; vhc, Haworth; hc, Hardy. BUFF: 1, Thornton; 2, 3, vhc, Wild; 4, Lumb; hc, Twycross; c, Hardy. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, vhc, Thornton; 3, Twycross; 4, Wild; hc, Hardy. BUFF: 1, 4, Hardy; 2, hc, Wild; 3, vhc, Twycross. VARIEG. CK.: 1, Haworth; 2, Lumb; 3, Thornton; 4, Wild; vhc, Hardy; hc, c, Twycross. HEN: 1, vhc, Wild; 2, Lumb; 3, Thornton; 4, Twycross. CINN. OR GR. CK.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Thornton. OPEN OR NOV. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Haworth. BUFF: 1, Thornton; 2, Haworth; 3, 4, Wild. BRIT.: 1, 2, Haworth. G. Mitchell, Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Annual members' show, Foresters' Hall, Trippet Lane, Dec 12. A capital entry, viz., 250 responded to the excellent schedule. The profit arising from show was paid over to the Belgian Relief Fund, the Society guaranteeing a sum of £5; quality compared most favourably with many an open venture. Yorks. were superb, Norwich good, Brit. and For. excellent. The management as usual was tip-top, as could not very well be otherwise, when such experts as Messrs. R. Colton, T. Dawn, Dr. Craig, G. Fletcher, P. Walsh, J. A. T. Woodhall, W. Baxby, and J. Memmott, and Sec., Mr. C. Job, had the controlling of affairs. The special prizes on view included valuable silver cups. For Yorks cup Dr. Craig and Messrs. Furness and Bingham, gained equal points, and the cup went to the former for the better team of the two. Nor. cup, A. H. Waters; Crest, J. Evans; For., G. Fletcher; Brit., G. Fletcher. Best birds: Yorks, Dr. Craig; Nor., Waters; Brit. Hard., Walsh; Crest or C.B., Memmott; Softbill, Fletcher; For., Fletcher. Judging was over in good time, show opened by 1 p.m., catalogues on sale promptly, and everything went smoothly. Stewards who officiated ably were Messrs. G. Fletcher, G. Moore, and W. Baxby. Mr. J. C. Barnes judged, and his awards were well received.

YELL. YORKS. (6): 1, 3, vhc, Dr. Craig; 2, Ridal; hc, Spencer; c, Thornhill. BUFF (3): 1, Dr. Craig; 2, Spencer; 3, Thornhill. HEN (8): 1, 2, vhc, Dr. Craig; 3, Tow; hc, Spencer; c, Ridal. YELL. NOR. (3): 1, 2, 3, Matthews. BUFF (3): 1, 2, 3, Matthews. VARIEG. (3): 1, 2, 3, Waters. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Matthews. CREST (3): 1, Evans; 2, Richardson; 3, c, Memmott. C.B. (5): 1, 2, Evans; 3, Moore; vhc, hc, Memmott, GOLDF. OR BULLF. (8): 1, Walsh; 2, vhc, hc, Fletcher; 3, Milne; c, Beech. LINNET (11): 1, 2, Walsh; 3, Bearder; vhc, Fletcher; hc, Beech; c, Hartley. GREENF. (5): 1, vhc, Fletcher; 2, 3, Walsh; hc, Milne. REDPOLL, ETC (10): 1, 3, Fletcher; 2 Walsh; vhc, c, Bearder; hc, Colton. A.O.V. (8): 1, vhc, Bearder; 2, c, Walsh; 3, Fletcher; hc, Milne. INSECTIV., SMALL (3): 1, 2, Fletcher; 3, Milne. LARGE (4): 1, Fletcher; 2, No 2 ab., Walsh; 3, Bearder. FOR., WAXBILLS, ETC. (10): 1, vhc, Baxby; 2, 3, hc, c, Fletcher. PARROTS (4): 1, 2, 3, Fletcher; vhc, Baxby. SOFTBILLS (1): 1, Baxby. A.O.S. (4): 1, Fletcher; 2, 3, vhc, c, Colton and Dawn; hc, Baxby. 1914 NOV YELL. YORKS. (3): 1, Cadman; 2, 3, Tow. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Tow; 3, Cadman; vhc, Clarke. VARIEG. (5): 1, Thornhill; 2, vhc, Tow; 3, Cadman; hc, Clarke. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Yow; c, Thornhill. NOR. (6): 1, c, White; 2, hc, Gilford; 3, vhc, Hartley. MULE (6): 1, hc, c, Hartley; 2, Moore; 3, vhc, Matthews. GIFT (14): 1, Waters; 2, Spencer; 3, Richardson; vhc, Fletcher; hc, Matthews; c, A. Friend.

EASTERN COUNTIES C.B.S.

Show Dec. 26, Social Settlement, Ipswich. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. The hon. sec., Mr. W. Barritt, would be hard to beat in his knowledge of the duties, method, and courtesy. He was backed by a hard-working committee, and judging was over and awards up in good time. After a keen fight, Mr. J. Bevan won cup for best Canary with a really grand bull cinn.; cup best 1914 rung bird, T. Clarke, with a tip-top buff Nor. Both awards were very popular. Entries were below those of previous years, but the quality was a credit to the men of the Eastern Counties. A special in each class except the selling.

CL. YELL. NOR. (6): 1, Baker, romping bird, said by many critics to possess a faint tick; 2, Clarke, very smart, but not so chubby; 3, Cole, trifle pinched in head, else good qual.; vhc, Cole; hc, c, Schofield. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Baker, typical, rare qual.; 2, Cole, really nice one, but dips its tail; vhc, Baker. TKD., ETC., YELL. (5): 1, Cole; 2, Gunn; 3, Baker; vhc, hc, Green. BUFF (6): 1, Clarke, full of quality, rare shape, good head; 2, Gunn, rare shape; 3, Baker, variegs., bit free in feather, good stock bird; vhc, Tydeman; hc, Baker; c, Pratt. GREEN OR HEAVIER MKD. (4): 1, vhc, Cook, leader yell. gr., rare qual.; 2, Baker, buff gr., extra good shape; 3, Clarke, nice qual., bit too spare. HENS, YELL. (12): 1, Clarke, variegs., and a beauty; 2, Baker, cinn. variegs., but not cinn. size or make-up; 3, vhc, Cole, yell., not quite the character of leaders; hc, Schofield; c, Tydeman. BUFF (15): 1, Clarke, variegs., nice flow, short wings and tail; 2, Baker, tkd., nice qual. and type; 3, Pratt, very shapely; vhc, Clarke; hc, Cole; c, Tydeman. NON-FED (8): 1, 3, Schofield, winner a rich qual. yell.; 2, Tydeman, buff, good shape and feather; vhc, Cole; hc, Baker; c, Bloomfield. UNFLIG. YELL. (4): 1, Cole, rare shape, qual., and col.; 2, J. W. Baker, smaller, lovely feather; 3, c, E. Baker; vhc, Schofield. BUFF (9): 1, cup, 3, Clarke leader a gem; 2 E. Baker, variegs., lovely bloomy feather, not so nicely balanced, vhc, c, Schofield. CINN. YELL. (9): Grand class for soundness of colour: 1, 3, Cook, grand birds, full of the right col., nicely burnished; 2, Pratt, good again; vhc, c, Cook; hc, Bevan. BUFF (5): 1, 2, cup best in show, Bevan, leader a bouncer, full of col. and nice bloom; 3, vhc, Andrews. HEN (10): A good lot: 1, Cook; 2, 3, Bevan; vhc, Baker; hc, Bevan; c, Andrews. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Bevan, grand qual. and col.; 2, Robinson, close up; 3, Baker, very sweet col.; vhc, Cook; hc, c, Bevan. CREST OR C.B. (7): 1, 2, Gunn, Crest and C.B., both A1; 3, hc, c, Pratt, nice trio; vhc, Gurr. YORKS. YELL. (9): 1, 2, Wheeler, typical, nice pose; 3, Bloomfield; vhc, hc, c, Wheeler. BUFF (7): 1, Hammond, best of type, fine feather; 3, hc, c, Wheeler; vhc, Bloomfield. A.O.V. (8): 1, Andrews, broken cinn., grand body, sound col.; 2, Gunn; 3, Bevan; vhc, hc, c, Hicks. NOV. NOR. YELL. (13): 1, Robinson; 2, Buxton; 3, Pratt, all good type and nice qual.; vhc, Buxton; hc, Hammond; c, Bloomfield. BUFF (14): A right good trio leading, little to choose: 1, Hammond; 2, Buxton; 3, Flatt; vhc, Pratt; hc, Bloomfield; c, Buxton. HEN, YELL. (7): 1, 2, Robinson; 3, Bloomfield; vhc, c, Buxton; hc, Flatt. BUFF (11): 1, Bloomfield; 2, c, Buxton; 3, hc, Robinson; vhc, Flatt. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, 3, Cook, Greenf.-Goldf. leading, good col.; vhc, Gunn; hc, Flatt. GOLDF. (8): 1, 3, Cook, two bonny Finches, very rich in colours, and steady; 2, hc, Flatt, close after the winner; vhc, Tydeman; c, Cole. BULLF. (3): 1, Bloomfield, very steady, nicely polished; 2, 3, Cook. LINNET (6): 1, Schofield; 2, Cook; 3, Flatt; vhc, Gunn; hc, c, Cook. A.O.S. HARDBILL (7): 1, Andrews; 2, 3, Cook; vhc, Flatt; hc, c, Gunn. FOR. (8): All beautifully shown: 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Andrews, Superb Tanager leading, Many-coloured Tanager 2nd, two grand birds; 3, lovely Rainbow Bunting; vhc (2), Gunn. GIFT (3): 1, Baker; 2, 3, Cook.

RUNCORN B.B.A

Third annual members' show, Dec. 5, Bethesda Lecture Hall—a cosy and well-lighted room, in which all the birds could be seen to advantage. The Sec., E. Rone, had had all arrangements perfectly made and everything worked satisfactorily. The proceeds went to the local War Fund. Entries numbered about 170, and there were some grand birds on view. Mr. Jos. Guy won cup for three nominated birds. Mr. Leigh, Warrington, judged, and his awards were well received.

CHAMP. YORKS YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Boots; 3, Sutton. BUFF: 1, 4, vhc, Sutton; 2, 3, Boots. HENS: 1, Sutton; 2, 3, Boots. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 4, vhc, Sutton; 2, 3, Boots. HEN: 1, 4, vhc, Sutton; 2, 3, Boots. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Jno. Guy; 2, W. Hayes; 3, Walker; 4, J. Hayes. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Jno. Guy. HEN: 1, c, W. Hayes; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Jno. Guy; 3, J. Hayes. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, hc, W. Hayes; 2, 3, vhc, c, Jno. Guy; 4, J. Hayes. YELL. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Jno. Guy; 2, W. Hayes. GR. SELF OR FOUL: 1, Lester; 2, 3, W. Hayes; 4, hc, Jno. Guy; vhc, Walker. UNFLIG.: 1, Lester; 2, 3, Hayes. CREST: 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Jos. Guy; 4, hc, Jno. Guy. C.B.: 1, 3, 4, vhc, c, Jos. Guy; 2, hc, Jno. Guy. NOV. YORKS BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Spruce. HENS: 1, 2, Spruce; 3, Whyte. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 2, Spruce; 3, 4, Whyte. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Whyte; 4, Spruce. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 4, Faulkner; 2, Bate; 3, Lester. BUFF: 1, Lester; 2, 3, Faulkner. HEN: 1, 3, Faulkner; 2, Lester. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Lester; 2, 3, A. Bate. NOV. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, 2, Bate; 3, Faulkner. GR. SELF OR FOUL: 1, 3, 4, c, Faulkner; 2, Lester; hc, vhc, Bate. LOCAL NON-MEMB. YORKS.: 1, 2, Schofield; 3, 4, Sautley. NOR.: 1, 2, Sautley. LINNET: 1, S. Walker. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Walker; 2, Whyte; 3, Bate.

HULL C.B.S.

Two days' members' show, OddFellows' Hall, Dec. 11 and 12, in lieu of an open show. Although entries did not realise expectations, the show did not suffer with regard to quality, a noticeable feature being the high standard of exhibits in novice classes, competition being very keen. The winner of the champion cup, Mr. B. P. Stone, was heartily congratulated on his success. Mr. H. Sowden ran a good second. Mr. P. P. Potter secured the novice cup, sp. best, and novice points cup; sp. best Yorks., W. Fox, with his unbeaten buff. F. F. Potter seemed the champion points cup for the third year in succession. S. Hogg, sp. best F.M. Linnet. Excellent teams of Norwich were displayed by Messrs. Mason, Harland, A. Clayton, Hope, Potter and Calvard, and Yorks. by Messrs. Stone, Precious, H. Sowden, Ware, Towse and Spence. The stewards, Messrs. A. Clayton, Fellowes, Stone and Hope rendered excellent and useful service. Judges: Messrs. W. A. Cowgill and George Harland, whose awards gave entire satisfaction. On the Saturday evening a record for the Society was created, packing and clearing away being the best "vanishing trick" outside the music-hall.

CHAMP. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, 3, Douse; 2, Harland; hc, Mason. BUFF: 1, 2, Mason; 3 Potter; vhc, c, Douse; hc, Harland. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, hc, Harland; 2, Potter; 3, c, Mason; vhc, Clayton. BUFF: 1, c, hc, Douse; 2, vhc, Mason; 3, Clayton. HEN, YELL.: 1 2, Harland. BUFF: 1, Clayton; 2, 3, vhc, Douse; hc, c, Harland. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, vhc, Clayton; 2 3, Mason; hc, Harland; c, Douse. BUFF: 1, vhc, Mason; 2, Clayton; 3 Harland; hc, c, Douse. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, Gilson; 2, vhc, Stone; hc, Sowden; c, Stephenson. BUFF: 1, vhc, Stephenson; 2, 3, Stone; hc, Sowden. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Sowden; 2, 3, c, Stone; vhc, hc, Walker. BUFF: 1, 2, Stone; 3, vhc, hc, Walker. HEN. YELL.: 1, 2, Stone; 3, Sowden. BUFF: 1, c, Precious; 2, Sowden; 3, Stone; vhc, hc, Walker. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, vhc, Stone; 2, Walker; 3, Precious. BUFF: 1, Precious; 2, Stone; 3, Walker. NOR. YELL.: 1, Potter; 2, Hope; 3, Sutton; vhc, Calvard; hc, Beckett; c, Atkinson. BUFF: 1, c, Hope; 2, hc, Sutton; 3, Calvard; vhc, Potter. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, D. McKay; 2, c, Hope; 3, Potter; vhc, Calvard; hc, Longhorn. BUFF: 1, 3, Potter; 2, Calvard; vhc, Longhorn; hc, Hope. HEN YELL.: 1, Calvard; 2, vhc, Potter; 3, Sutton. BUFF: 1, Calvard; 2, 3, Potter; vhc, Longhorn; hc, Sutton; c, Atkinson. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Beckett, 2, 3, Potter; vhc, Calvard. BUFF: 1, Hope; 2, Calvard; 3, Longhorn; vhc, hc, Potter; c, Sutton. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, c, Ware; 3, Oaks; vhc, Fox; hc, Kemp. BUFF: 1, Fox; 2, hc, Ware; 3, Spence; vhc, Towse; c, Furnandiz. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1 Towse; 2, Clayton; 3, Spence; vhc, Oaks, hc, Nettleton; c, Beerchamp. BUFF: 1, Towse; 2, Spence; 3, Beauchamp; vhc, Ware; hc, c, Fox. HEN YELL.: 1 Spence; 2 Ware; 3 Furnandiz; vhc, Oaks; hc, Kemp; c, Fellowes. BUFF: 1, Spence; 2, Towse; 3, Kemp; vhc, Nettleton; hc, Furnandiz; c, Ware. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Towse; 2, Nettleton; 3, Spence; vhc, Ware; hc, Kemp; c, Clayton. BUFF: 1, hc, Brown; 2, Kemp; 3, Nettleton; vhc, Fox; hc, Brown; c, Towse. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Potter; vhc, Fellowes. MULE: 1, 2, 3, hc, Hogg; vhc, Perkins. HYB.: 1, Perkins. GOLDF. or BULLF.: 1, 2, McKay; 3, Atkinson; vhc, Gilson; hc, Potter; c, Marritt. LINNET or GREENF.: 1, McKay; 2, c, vhc, Hogg; 3, Cross; hc, Marritt. CHAFFINCH or BRAMBLE: 1, Potter; 2, 3, c, Hogg; vhc, Marritt; hc, Gilson. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, hc, Marritt; 2, Potter; 3, McKay; vhc, Perkins. A.O.S. HARDBILL: 1, Potter; 2, McKay. SOFTBILL: 1, Potter; 2, Hogg. GIFT: 1, Calvard; 2, Harland; 3, Mason; vhc, Clayton; hc, Atkinson; c, Sutton.—W. Furnandiz, Hon. Sec.

BRISTOL C.B.S.

Members' show, Kingsley Hall, in place of annual open show abandoned through the war. The hall was quite gay, and a grand display of birds were gathered together. Quality was strongly in evidence, and competition was very keen. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. Great credit is due to the hon. sec. and all who helped in the good work. Especially were the ladies very active and enthusiastic. Mr. Pool won cup best Brit., with a grand Goldf., which will improve yet; runner-up, Mr. Coggins, with a smart Blackcap. Members' cup, unflig. Nor., Tristem, a spanking variegs. buff; Yorks. cup, York. Other sp. winners: Messrs. A. Pool, C.B.; Tristem (3), Nor.; A. A. Pool, nat. col. Nor.; Parker (2), Yorks.; York, nat. col. Yorks.; O'Coggins, Mules and Linnets; and Matthews.

CRESTS: 1, 2, 3, Pool. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Pool. NOR. YELL.: 1, vhc, Tristem; 2, 3, Sampson. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Tristem; 3, Sampson. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Tristem. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Tristem; hc, c, Sampson. HEN: 1, 3, Tristem; 2, Sampson. NAT. COL. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, Master A. A. Pool. NOV. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, Matthews. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, York; 2, vhc, hc, Parker; c, Lovell. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Parker; vhc, York; hc, Garland; c, Lovell. HEN: 1, 3, Parker; 2, no name; vhc, Davis; hc, c, Lovell. UNFLIG.: 1, c, York; 2, 3, Parker; vhc, Norman; hc, Davis. HEN: 1, c, Lovell; 2, hc, Parker; 3, York; vhc, Davis. NAT. COL.: 1, York; 2, vhc, Howell; 3, hc, c, Buckland. NOV. YORKS.: 1, Hiscox; 2, vhc, hc, Davis; 3, Thomas. MULES, DK.: 1, 2, Coggins. HYB.: 1, 2, Fletcher. GOLDF.: 1, Pool; 2, hc, c, Belsten; 3, Withers; vhc, Coggins. LINNET: 1, Coggins. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Garland; 2, Coggins. GREENF., ETC.: 1, Belsten. HARDBILL HEN: 1, 2, Parker. SOFTBILL: 1, Coggins. NOV. BRIT.: 1 Matthews.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.S.

Annual Members' Show, Dec. 12, Nightingale Hotel, Wood Green, in a spacious and very suitable room. Entries were good, Norwich in particular making a capital display, Messrs. Brooks, Titchmer, Griffin, Pettit, Huggins, Etc., all staging fine examples. Yorks. were not quite so numerous, but some of them were quite high-class. British were capital, Mr. Stephens' Gold Crest winning spl. for best bird. Mr. P. Brooks, the Sec., is quite up-to-date in his methods, so that everything connected went well. There was a good attendance. Mr. H. Norman judged.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Harris; 2, Griffin. BUFF: 1, Brooks; 2, Titchmer; 3, Harris. VARIEG.: 1, hc, c, Brooks; 2, 3, Titchmer; vhc, Griffin. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Titchmer; 2, Harris; vhc, hc, Griffin; c, Brooks. HEN: 1, 3, Griffin; 2, c, Brooks; vhc, Harris; hc, Titchmer. CREST: 1, 2, vhc, Pettit; 3, Richer. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Pettit; vhc, Richer. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Huggins. VARIEG.: 1, Billington. UNFLIG.: 1 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Huggins. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, Martin. BUFF: 1, Bell; 2, Cobden; 3, Miss Smith; vhc, Penn; hc, Game. VARIEG.: 1, Bell; 2, Cobden; 3, Game. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc, Martin; 2, Bell; 3, hc, Cobden. HEN: 1, Bell; 2, Game; 3, Martin; vhc, Penn; hc, Miss Smith; c, Cobden. YORKS., YELL.: 1, Bell; 2, Everett; 3, Dr. Huggins; vhc, Day. BUFF: 1, Bell; 2, Cobden; 3, Dr. Huggins; vhc, Miss Smith. VARIEG.: 1, Dr. Huggins. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Everett; vhc, hc, Huggins; c, Bell. HEN: 1, Cobden; 2, Bell; 3, Dr. Huggins; vhc, hc, Everett. BORD.: 1, 2, Palmer. HEN: 1, 2, Palmer. GOLDF.: 1, Stephens; 2, Mrs. Day; 3, Day. BULLF.: 1, Penn; 2, Mrs. Day; 3, Stephens, vhc, Twiley. GREENF.: 1, 2, Stephens; 3, Creighton. LINNET: 1, 2, Stephens; 3, Bell; vhc, Waldock; hc, Bates; c, Day. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 2, Stephens; 3, vhc, Bates. CHAFFINCH: 1, 2, Stephens; 3, Creighton; vhc, Bates. BRAMBLE: 1, Stephens; 2, Creighton; 3, Penn. A.O.S.: 1, Stephens; 2, Creighton. HEN: 1, Stephens; 2, Miss Smith. SOFTBILL: 1, Stephens. LARGE: 1, 3, Everett; 2, vhc, Creighton. MULE: 1, Miss Smith. DARK: 1, 2, Griffin; 3, Waldock; vhc, Miss Smith. HYB.: 1, Waldock; 2, Miss Smith. FOR.: 1, hc, Huggins; 2, c, Day; 3, vhc, Creighton.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Dec 26, Assembly Hall, Royal Street. A grand classification was made, and a marvellous list of valuable specials were competed for, the result being a grand entry. Right through the Yorkshire section the birds were of a high standard. Norwich were much better all round than is nowadays generally seen at Liverpool shows, a sign that the variety is reviving in the locality. Bord. were very good, and competition very keen and close, and the Novice Canary classes contained some splendid exhibits. Britishers were special, and very strong. The Premier Cup for most points was won by Mr. McCoy; spl. 2, Rothwell; spl. 3, Broadbent; Champ. Yorks. Cup, Rothwell; 2nd, medal, Skilling. Nov. Yorks. Cup, Broadbent; 2nd, medal, McLaughlin. Nor. Cup, McCoy; 2nd, medal, Wilkins. Bord. Cup, Bratherton; 2, med., McCoy. Brit. Cup, Rothwell; 2, med. Hilton. Champ. best bird, Rawsthorne. Most pts., 1, Rothwell; 2, Skilling; 3, Smith. Nov. sp. wnrs., Broadbent (3), McCoy, McLaughlin, Southwood, Lowe, Hammond. The show was opened by Dr. and Mrs. Vardumian, in the presence of a large number of fanciers and visitors, and in the evening they also presented the special prizes. A presentation to Mrs. Vardumian of a singing Canary and cage, for kindly presenting the prizes was suitably replied to, and a vote of thanks to both was received with cheers. All prize money was paid by 7 p.m., and birds away by 8.15. Mr. Broadbent is a young, energetic sec. who carries out his duties admirably, and leaves nothing to be desired in this position. All the Committee are real enthusiasts, and give help at the right time. Stewards, Messrs. Holden, Wilkins, Foxcroft, Hammond, Kelly and Rothwell, ably carried out their duties. Mr. Wellings judged Yorks., and Mr. Houlton the remainder, and there was general satisfaction. The show was a marked success.

CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS.: 1, hc, c, Rothwell; 2, vhc, Skilling; 3, Huyton. BUFF: 1, c, Holden; 2 Huyton; 3, hc, Skilling; vhc, Rothwell. UNEVEN YELL.: 1, Huyton; 2, Skilling; 3, Rawsthorne. BUFF: 1, Holden; 2, vhc, Skilling; 3, Huyton; hc, Rothwell; c, Rawsthorne. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, c, Rothwell; 2, Skilling; 3, Huyton; hc, Holden. BUFF: 1, 2, Skilling; 3, vhc, hc, Rothwell. UNEVEN YELL. HEN: 1, Holden; 2, 3, Skilling; vhc, Rothwell. BUFF: 1, Horden; 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Skilling. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Frankham; 2, Richardson; 3, c, Smith; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Rothwell; 2, Smith; 3, Richardson; vhc, hc, Skilling; c, Frankham. YELL. HEN: 1, Richardson; 2, hc, Smith; 3, c, Skilling; vhc Rothwell. BUFF: 1, Richardson; 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Skilling. 1911 YELL.: 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, Frankham. BUFF: 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, Frankham. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, vhc, Rothwell; 3, Rawsthorne, hc, c, Frankham. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Rothwell; vhc, Holden. FOUL YELL.: 1, champ sp., Rawsthorne; 2, c, Smith; 3, vhc, Rothwell; hc, Holden. BUFF: 1, hc, Smith; 2, Frankham; 3, Richardson; vhc, Rawsthorne; c, Rothwell. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, best Nov. sp., 3, Broadbent; 2, Lowe; vhc, Leadbetter; hc, Kean; c, Davenport. BUFF: 1, Lowe; 2, 3, c, Broadbent; vhc, Davenport; hc, McLaughlin. UNEVEN YELL.: 1 Lowe; 2, Smith; 3, vhc, McLaughlin. BUFF: 1, Lowe; 2, Hammond; 3, McLaughlin. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, Kean; 2, 3, Southward; vhc, Broadbent; hc, c, Lowe. BUFF: 1, 2, hc, Broadbent; 3, Leadbetter; vhc, Lowe; c, Southwood. VAR. BUFF: 1, Kean; 2, Southwood. YELL. GR.: 1, McLaughlin; 2 Grice; 3, Knowlan; vhc, hc, McLaughlin. BUFF: 1, McCoy; 2 McLaughlin; 3, Kean; vhc, Atherton. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, McLaughlin; 2, Leadbetter; vhc, Lowe; hc, Foxcroft; c, Grice. BUFF: 1, Southwood; 2, vhc, McLaughlin; 3, Percival; hc, c, Leadbetter. YELL. NAT. COL.: 1, Southwood; 2, Broadbent; 3, Kelly. BUFF: 1, Southwood; 2, Cattle; 3, Hammond. 1914 YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Southwood; vhc, McLaughlin; hc, c, Broadbent. BUFF: 1, Lowe; 2, Hammond; 3, vhc, hc, Broadbent; c, Southwood. VAR. YELL.: 1, Broadbent; 2, Percival; 3, Davenport; vhc, Southwood; hc, McLaughlin. BUFF: 1, Broadbent; 2, McLaughlin; 3, Lowe. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Southwood; 3, Kean; vhc, Leadbetter; hc, Percival; c, Foxcroft. BUFF: 1, Broadbent; 2, vhc, Leadbetter; 3, McLaughlin; hc, Davenport; c, Southwood. UNEVEN YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Broadbent; 3, McLaughlin. GREEN YELL.: 1, vhc, McCoy; 2, Grice; 3, Foxcroft; hc, McLaughlin. BUFF: 1, hc, McLaughlin; 2, Aindow; 3, Grice; vhc, Leadbetter; c, Foxcroft. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, 2, Broadbent; 3, Aindow; vhc, c, McLaughlin; hc, Foxcroft. BUFF: 1, McCoy; 2, McLaughlin. NAT. COL. CK.: 1, Foxcroft; 2, Grice; 3, Cattle. HEN: 1, Broadbent; 2, Cattle. A.O.V.: 1, Broadbent. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, vhc, hc, McCoy. BUFF: 1 2, vhc, hc, McCoy; 3, Wilkins. BAR. BUFF: 1 3, vhc, hc, McCoy; 2, Wilkins. CL., ETC., YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, McCoy. BUFF: 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, vhc, hc, McCoy; c, Atherton. VAR YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 3, vhc, McCoy. BUFF: 1, 2, McCoy. 1914 CL., ETC. YELL.: 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, Atherton. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, McCoy. BUFF HEN: 1 3, Wilkins; 2, hc, Atherton; vhc, McCoy. 1914 NOR. GR.: 1, 2, Atherton; 3, McCoy. CL., ETC. YELL. BORD.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, c, Bratherton; 2, McCoy. BUFF: 1, c, McCoy; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Bratherton. BORD. GR. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Bratherton; hc, McCoy. 1914, BORD. YELL. GR.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, McCoy. A.O.V. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, McCoy. GOLDF.: 1 Rothwell; 2, Percival. BULLF.: 1, Lloyd, 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, hc, Hilton. GREENF.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Lloyd; 3, Williams; vhc, Hilton; hc, Kelly; c, Nowlan. CHAFFINCH: 1, 2, hc, Rothwell; 3, Lloyd; vhc, Williams; c, Hilton. BRAMBLE: 1, Rothwell; 2, Williams; 3, Kelly; vhc, Lloyd; hc, Nowlan. LINNET, H.M.: 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, Hilton. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Rothwell; 2, 3, Hilton; vhc, c, Lloyd; hc, Metcalfe. A.O.V.: 1 Lloyd; 2, Hilton; 3, vhc, Rothwell; hc, Williams; c, Kelly. HENS: 1, Lloyd; 2, 3, Hilton. HYB.: 1, 3, McCoy; 2, Metcalfe; vhc, Lloyd; hc, Williams; c, Rothwell. F.M. GOLDF.: 1, Hammond; 2, hc, Hilton; 3, Rothwell; vhc, Huyton; c, Nowlan. F.M. LINNET: 1, vhc, hc, Rothwell; 2, Lloyd; 3, Hilton; c, Kelly.

CHOPWELL C.B.S.

Annual Show, Dec. 12. In the large Club Hall, a splendid place, plenty of both top and side light, and absolutely free from draughts. With a membership of only fourteen the entry was very good, just on one hundred birds being staged. Quality throughout was good, Norwich and British exceptionally so; the Bullfinch class was a stormer, several tip top specimens being benched. Foreign provided the winner of special for best bird in show, the honour going to a grand Red Naped Lory shown in splendid condition by Christer and Son; second best, Mr. Geo. Barkess' nice yellow Nor. hen; 3, Carr, real good Siskin; 4, Jamieson and Johnson very smart Bramblefinch. Mr. W. H. Christer makes an ideal sec. and he had everything well in hand. Mr. Geo. Barkess was show manager, and carried out his duties with his usual ability, being splendidly assisted by Messrs. Jamieson and Johnson, Charlton, Christer, sen., Barkess, jun., Cresswell, Richardson, Carr, Marsh, Tomlinson, Simpson, and Dodds, all of them working hard to make the show a success. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

NOR. CK. (7): 1, sp, 2, Barkess; 3, Simpson, vhc, c Cresswell; hc, Marsh. 1914 (3): 1, spl, 2, 3, Barkess. HEN (8): 1, spl, 2, 3, Barkess; vhc, Charlton; hc, c, Cresswell. YORKS CK (5): 1, Simpson; 2, spl, 3, vhc, hc, Dodds. HEN (3): 1, spl, 2, Dodds; 3 Simpson. BORD CK (4). 1, sl, vhc, Charlton; 2, 3, Jamieson and Johnson. 1914 (6): 1, spl, 3, hc, Charlton; 2, Carr; vhc c, Jamieson and Johnson. HEN (8): 1 c, Jamieson and Johnson; 2, vhc, Charlton; 3, Dodds; hc, Carr. MULE, ETC. (7): 1, spl, 2, Barkess; 3, Charlton; vhc, hc, c, Richardson. BOLD. (5): 1, spl, vhc, Jamieson and Johnson; 2, Tomlinson; 3, Richardson; hc, Simpson. BULL (9): 1, hc, Jamieson and Johnson; 2, spl, 3, vhc, Barkess; c, Simpson. LINNET (4): 1, spl, Barkess; 2, Simpson; 3, Carr; vhc, Charlton. GREENF., ETC. (3): 1, spl, 2, Jamieson and Johnson; 3, Barkess. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, c, Carr; 2, spl, vhc, Jamieson and Johnson; 3, hc, Barkess. HEN FINCH (7): 1, spl, vhc, Jamieson and Johnson; 2, 3, Barkess; hc, c, Marsh. A.O. BRIT. (4): 1, Barkess; 2, Jamieson and Johnson; 3 vhc, spl, Simpson. FOR. LARGE (3): 1, sp, 3, Christer and Son; 2, Jamieson and Johnson. SMALL (5): 1, spl, 2, Jamieson and Johnson; 3, vhc, hc, Christer and Son.

WATFORD AND HERTS F.S.

Twenty-second annual show, St. Mary's Hall, Dec. 8-9; as the association were unable to obtain the Clarendon Hall this year, they were obliged to confine their radius to twenty miles. The birds were far in advance of last year, both in numbers and quality, and no doubt if the show had been advertised more would have been still better. Norwich contained some real good birds, which have won in good company. Yorks. were not so numerous, but contained some first-class birds. British also were very nice, while Hybrids contained birds that had held their own in first-class company. Lord and Lady Clarendon and family visited the show, and were very much pleased with what they saw. Spl. best bird went to Mr. W. Buckingham with his winning yellow Yorks.; best Brit., Carter. Mr. Chatterton judged.

NOR.: 1, Brown, good buff, fine cond.; 2, Laccohee, buff, beaten in size, grand cond.; 3, Dumbleton, good yell., in fine trim; 4, Bloomfield. HEN: 1, 3, Foxe, buffs, two nice exhibits; 4, J. Brown, yell., on small side. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Buckingham, fine yell. leading, followed by two grand buffs; 4, Bates, good variegs. A.O.V.: 1, Bloomfield; 3, Wilson; 4, Bloomfield. NAT. COL.: 1, Brandon; 2, Bloomfield; 3, Laccohee; 4, Wombell. MULE: 1, Buckingham, Light Goldf., good size and col.; 2, Goodall, Redpoll-Can., in grand cond.; 3, 4, no name, Light Goldf.-Mules, also in good cond. BRIT. CK.: 1, 2, Carter, a good Bullf., staged to perfection, and Goldf., blaze not quite up yet; 3, 4, Brown, good Bramble and Chaffinch. HEN: 1, 2, Goodall, lovely Thrush and a good Bullf. hen; 3, Carter, grand little Siskin

BUSINESS METHODS IN THE BIRDROOM.

By A. HINSON (*Birmingham*).

THERE has been a fair amount of discussion lately between well-known and respected fanciers on how to dispose of surplus stock, and I wish to point out that though this article deals with the question of the best way to sell your birds and the most effective way of giving the would-be buyer a good opinion of your stock, I do not want those fanciers mentioned above to think I am criticising their methods. I am simply putting before readers the method I myself have of disposing of my birds in a way which makes Canary breeding not only an interesting but a profitable hobby.

The fancier who wishes to make bird-keeping pay him must introduce into his room business methods. That is to say, he should (1) Keep his room neat and tidy. (2) His birds should be in good condition, also clean. (3) The cages and appliances should be clean, and clean sand or sawdust should be on the cage bottoms. (4) He should keep a record of his birds, and also a cash account. (5) If he advertises his birds the advertisement should be clear and concise; and (6) last, but not least, he should be perfectly frank and straightforward in all his dealings. A satisfied customer will come again, while one who has been disappointed with his purchase is very likely to give you a bad name amongst his friends, which may do you a lot of harm.

Creating a Good Impression.

Let us now take these points one by one and deal with them more fully. No. 1 says keep your room neat and tidy. You may ask what effect can this have on the sale of my birds? My friend, it can have a good deal of effect, for if a would-be purchaser comes into your room and finds it untidy, with things scattered about, nine times out of ten he will make up his mind on the spot that you do not manage your room properly, and devote little time to it, and give your birds the attention they ought to have. The most likely result of this is that he goes away without birds, and you have lost a customer.

Your birds must be in good condition to impress your customers; they cannot look their best otherwise. That your birds should be clean is very important, as nothing goes so much against the sale of a bird, in my opinion, as the plumage being unclean.

If the cages are clean and the bottoms are freshly strewn with sand or sawdust, as the case may be, it strengthens the conviction of the would-be purchaser (more especially if he be a beginner) that the birds are healthy and free from any pest. The perches should also be kept well scraped. Another detail, small, but often noticed, is the claws and legs of the birds. The claws should be trimmed and the legs not allowed to become covered with scales.

Although the fancier may not always wish to give the pedigree of a bird, unless asked by the purchaser, it is always valuable to know this; in fact, the pedigree book is one of those things which help the fancier to breed the Palace winner. A cash account, too, is invaluable to the fancier who wishes to know his position as regards finances at a moment's notice. (Use CAGE BIRDS "Stock Book," post free 7d.—Editor.)

Advertisements that Attract.

As regards advertising there is much to be said. Many of the world's largest business concerns have been built up entirely as the result of skilful advertising. In the bird world it is not the advertisement which offers show birds for a shilling that gives confidence; neither is it the advertisement of about six words that brings in orders. It should, however, be clear and concise, without gwank or bounce. The art of advertising is first to attract attention. Secondly, when that attention has been obtained, to give a clear description of whatever is for sale in such a way that the reader gets a good idea of the bird or commodity offered.

I give here what I consider a good type and a bad type of advertisement. In the good one you will see that everything is clear, and attracts attention; on the other hand the second advertisement gives you no idea of the birds for sale:—

Norwich for Sale. (These words should be in larger type and form the heading of the advert.) For disposal, six pairs of well-matched Norwich, price £1 per pair. All are 1914 bred, of good quality and typical birds, cold-room bred. Approval willingly: Address —.

Advertisement No. 2, which is cramped and brings very few orders, is very often seen. It runs: Canaries for sale, cheap: Address —.

The first, although it will cost more, is much more effective, and is much cheaper in the long run.

The advertiser should conduct his correspondence in a businesslike fashion. That is to say, his letters should be clear and concise, in the same way as the advertisement. The purchaser does not want a long letter, which runs over about six pages to describe a single bird or a pair, or you may give him the idea that you are praising your birds up and making them look much better than they are. The great mistake of many beginners is to put too high a price on their birds; at the same time, it is not a good policy to price them too low. For instance, if a beginner advertises his birds of good strain at a very low price the fancier who reads the announcement will say one cannot expect anything good at that price, and he therefore takes no more notice.

"Gush" and Its Consequences.

The seller, when a buyer comes to inspect his stock, should not be talking and pointing out the good points all the while. Many people object to this, and form the opinion that you are a "gasbag," or something of the sort. You should give your visitor a chance to pick out the bird of his choice; then, if you wish to sell that bird you can begin to explain its good points, etc.; but do not be too gushing.

Of course, I quite recognise that the man who makes a name for himself by showing and winning has a much better chance of disposing of his birds and obtaining a good price for them, but the beginner should not be discouraged by this, as bird-keeping can be made to pay without exhibiting if you go about it in a business manner. This article, as I mentioned before, describes the way in which I have made Canary breeding both a profitable and interesting hobby. I do not wish to give you the idea that I am against a beginner showing. I am not, for if I had started showing when I was a beginner I think it would have been much better for me. But in those days there were not so many opportunities for young fanciers.

I think every fancier who has not done so ought to introduce business methods into the bird-room, especially so, too, in the feeding arrangements, which I hope to deal with in an article in the near future.

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(*Continued from page* 69.)

IF you have an old unpaired cock at liberty and provide him with a wife, the latter may be allowed to join him as soon as he begins to show an active interest in her and visits the cage or aviary in which she is confined. If you have a hen at liberty and get a cock to turn out with her, the latter must be more or less in breeding condition before he is released (particularly in the case of Parrakeets). If he is not, the hen will either ill-treat or ignore him, and he will probably be soon lost.

Unmated Parrots of either sex will, unless very tame and attached to their owners, wander off in search of a companion as soon as the nesting season approaches. Cockatoos, however, which have nested at liberty and afterwards lost their mates, seldom leave altogether. Occasionally, when a mate cannot be obtained for a solitary bird, a companion of the same sex will console it sufficiently to prevent it from straying and getting lost.

Assuming that the first stage of the acclimatization experiment has gone off well and the inherent tendency of most Parrots to wander on being released has been in some manner restrained, future success will depend largely on the constant supply of seed or other food, preferably in more than one place if a number of birds are kept. Any system of feeding on what I may term an "open" tray or board is quite impracticable, as after a very short time immense hordes of Sparrows, Starlings, Greenfinches, Pigeons, Jackdaws and other unwelcome visitors will be attracted to the spot, and it will cost a perfect fortune to feed them and the Parrots at the same time. It is, therefore, necessary to employ a "trap-tray," i.e., a feeding tray which can, at a moment's notice be converted into a kind of box-trap for the capture of unbidden guests.

Making a "Trap-Tray."

The simplest form of trap-tray is a kind of box consisting of a stout metal framework covered with wire netting, the mesh being sufficiently fine to exclude mice. Two of the sides, at right angles to each other, are fastened to the top by means of hinges in such a way that by placing a T-shaped prop at the corner of the trap, the two sides can be simultaneously kept raised on a level with the top and the birds allowed to pass under them and reach the food contained in the shallow metal tray (perforated with two or three holes for drainage purposes) which lies on the floor.

One end of a line is fastened to the stem of the prop and the other is carried behind a screen erected at some little distance, and so arranged that a person behind it can observe the birds feeding on the tray without making himself visible to them. A sharp pull at the line from behind the screen causes the prop to jump away, thereby releasing the sides, which fall downwards and inwards by their own weight, and the trap-tray becomes a closed box. Electric bell-wire makes the best line; common string is most dangerous, as with the first shower of rain it shrinks considerably and pulls the trap shut by reason of the increasing tension,—usually selecting for the manœuvre a moment when those birds are feeding on the tray which it is least desired to interfere with.

Keep It Locked.

Where there is any chance of meddlesome persons working the trap out of mischief or for the purpose of catching and stealing the Parrots, it is advisable to lock the end of the line in a small box fastened securely to the back of the screen, which should in this case be of a very substantial description. If this is done, it is impossible for anyone to pull the line without first showing himself to the birds and scaring them away to safety.

In the centre of the top of the trap there should be a small hinged "door" which can be opened for the insertion of the hand and arm when the sides have fallen and the birds have been caught. The whole contrivance can either be placed on the ground or on some kind of raised stand. In the latter case it is usually wise to peg the line down, or rather to run it through swivels on the ground level, for if it is swinging loose, large birds flying against it or falling branches of trees striking it are apt to dislodge the prop at inconvenient moments. When the trap-tray is on the ground it is as well to shut it at night, anyhow during the winter; otherwise the seed attracts enormous quantities of mice, which in turn attract the Owls,—and then good-bye to your smaller Parrakeets!

I need hardly say that the Parrots themselves should never be caught on the trap except in case of illness or other urgent necessity. Not only does it make them exceedingly shy of returning to feed, but there is always a slight risk of their being struck and injured by the falling sides. Lastly, it is, as I have already pointed out, absolutely necessary to familiarise them thoroughly with the appearance of the tray before they receive their liberty. As a general rule, the larger the bird the longer it will take to learn to recognise a trap-tray, wherever encountered, as the "*fons et origo*" of a good square meal.

Ailments and their Treatment.

The ailments of Parrots are many and various, and of all birds they make the worst patients, since owing to the peculiar formation and immense power of the mandibles it is almost impossible to forcibly administer in effective quantities either food or medicine, which, when really sick, they usually refuse to touch voluntarily. In most cases there is only one remedy to be tried, viz., heat, and it must be *real* heat—a temperature of 85°-90° evenly maintained night and day, and not merely the comfortable warmth of a living room at 60° (which probably drops to 45° during the course of the night). The effect of great heat on a sick Parrot is often little short of marvellous, and I would strongly recommend everyone who owns a valuable collection of tropical or semi-tropical birds to have a small room specially fitted up as a "baking" hospital. Like the tiger recommended in the Bad Child's Book of Beasts to overburdened parents, "it well repays the trouble and expense," and time and again it will save a rare treasure which otherwise would inevitably be lost. (*To be continued.*)

HOW TO BREED EXHIBITION YORKSHIRE CANARIES.

Some Practical Tips for Tyros.

By JOHN B. WATERMAN (Dulwich.)

(*Concluded from page* 87.)

AS to the birds, I like pairing a medium-sized yellow hen, with plenty of breed and style about her, to a 7in. sturdy buff cock, well up on the leg, and of nice, rich goose-like feather. Avoid Yorkies with flat heads, heavy eyebrows, hollow neck or back, pointed chest with frill, crossed flights, dropping or fish-like (spreading) tail, and crouching style.

I have always found the middle of March to be the best time to let the birds start house-keeping—providing always the weather be fine and mild. This is how I proceed. The wire partition is placed through the centre of the breeders, and in each cage the cock is placed on the one side and the hen on the other. Usually in a few days—sometimes sooner, sometimes longer—Mr. Canary will commence to carol forth his song to attract the lady's notice, and if the course of love runs smoothly (which can be seen by the cock feeding the hen through the wires) the slide can be drawn and the match is complete.

The food at this period should be fairly generous. Let each bird every morning have a plentiful supply of good sound Spanish canary seed, whilst every other morning a small pinch of summer rape should be given in a separate vessel. On the days the latter is not given, let each bird have a small quantity of the following mixture: Equal parts summer rape, niger, linseed, maw, and gold of pleasure. The latter seed, it may not be generally thrown is a fine conditioner, putting a splendid gloss on the birds' plumage, which at once catches the eye of most judges.

I am no believer in much green meat at this period, and usually give my birds a very few home-grown rape seedlings daily. A small blade of young dandelion can be offered them, always providing it is quite free of frost.

Earthenware nest-pans hung at the back of the cage are the best, and these should be lined with swansdown. For nesting material I have found nothing better than charpie, as this does not encourage the red mite as do some of the old-fashioned things in use. The first egg laid by the hen should be removed and stored away in bran, and a dummy substituted, until she has laid three eggs. These should be replaced in the nest on the evening prior to her laying her fourth egg, and then as a rule the clutch will hatch out at the same time.

When the Young Are Due.

On the evening of the thirteenth day a supply of crushed hard-boiled egg and Osborne biscuit (mixed) should be placed in the cages, as well as a little crushed hemp seed, but after the second day the latter should be given whole, as the hen is then kept longer off the nest engaged in cracking it, and the young ones get a longer spell of fresh air, which tends to harden them.

At about a month old the new brood can usually feed themselves, and should be turned into a good-sized cage. They should be given a supply of egg food and biscuit, and a little hemp and canary (crushed). Get the youngsters on to hard seed as soon as possible, and at seven weeks old they should be quite off soft food.

I shall hope in the course of a future article to deal with the training of young birds for exhibition, and other matters connected with the fascinating and ennobling hobby of Canary management.

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The Seed Supply at the Welsh National Show.

SIR,—In your issue of Jan. 23, a question was asked re the "water supply" at the Welsh National show at Cardiff. It seems to me only fair that some one should voice the feelings of gratitude which all exhibitors must possess re the matter of the seed supply. My birds were away from home five days, but on receipt of same I found seed sufficient to last each bird another week. For such generous treatment I personally wish to thank the show management and the firm who undertook gratuitously to feed the exhibits.

SATIS SUPERQUE.

Home-Grown Bird Seeds.

SIR. I have often wondered why farmers have not tried to grow birdseed, especially canary seed (Giant Spanish) as there is always a good demand for such. I noticed in last week's issue a reply from "H. N." that it had been tried in Kent, and I think a few years back it was grown in Sheppey. I also remember purchasing some English grown canary seed from Messrs. Trower and Co. from their stall at the Crystal Palace show, and I think it was a very good sample. The birds (British and Canaries) fed freely on it—a good, bold, stout, well-filled seed, rather shorter than Giant Spanish and not quite so bright and smooth, if I remember rightly. Unfortunately I have not seen any since. It cost 1s. 6d. per gallon. The one great drawback would, undoubtedly, be the heavy toll that the wild birds would take, unless they were constantly scared away by lads engaged for that purpose during the ripening and harvesting period. This would also apply to the growing of other birdseeds. But if grown with success in Spain and Turkey, why not in England? I suppose there are as many wild birds there to feed on it when ripening, etc.

F. J. W. S.

When Judges Disagree.

SIR,—I ask your further indulgence, to allow me to offer my heartfelt sympathy to Mr. R. D. Parlett in his serious trouble caused by the gross injustice meted out to him by so many judges. I beg of him to endeavour to overcome the depression which seems to be overwhelming him, or I am afraid his disease will become chronic. I note that in spite of Mr. Parlett's vigorous defence of "White Rose," and his promise of dire punishment to all judges who have the audacity to place it lower than first, there are some judges who dare to place his Greenfinches other than first and second, after occupying that position at Sunderland show. How sad to find so many more judges added to his black list. No wonder some exhibitors disagree with judges when they are guilty of such inconsistency. But was it not really at Sunderland that the inconsistency began? Previous to that show Mr. Parlett's winnings with Greenfinches this season consisted mostly, if not entirely, of commended cards, and his Linnet, after being left cardless in a class of ten at Brandon show, gets 1st prize, and is reported in CAGE BIRDS as being pale in colour, at the Welsh National show. More inconsistency! But we are getting away from the sensational Hybrid. What a pity it cannot talk.

The Canary-Greenfinch-Bullfinch "White Rose,"
We all must admit is a handsome bird,
It has got first prize at a number of shows,
But on four occasions has only got third.
While to the shame of some judges, be it told,
Three of them left it right out in the cold.

WHITE ROSE.

Foreign Birds at the Late Welsh National Show.

SIR,—Your reference to the paucity of entries in the Foreign Bird classes at the Welsh National show (Cardiff) in your last issue were very justifiable. I notice you credit me with being the judge of the Foreign birds. This, so far, is correct; but the manner in which you publish my name at the head of these classes in your report of the said show, without the slightest explanation as to why I judged the Foreign birds, would lead the ordinary reader of your paper, who had not seen a schedule or catalogue of the show, to believe that I was the duly appointed judge for that section, which is not correct, as both you and your reporter well know that Mr. Wesley T. Page was the judge appointed for Foreign birds, not me; but owing to the paucity of entries, the management of the show did not deem it necessary for Mr. Page to travel so far to officiate, and asked me to judge them in conjunction with my own section which I had been engaged to judge. This I readily consented to do. I must, however, say it is scarcely fair to me as a judge that you should have placed my name at the head of these classes without some explanation as to how I came to judge them, seeing that the entries were obtained under another judge's name. I shall therefore be glad if you will give this full publicity in your next issue of CAGE BIRDS.

JOHN ROBSON.

[We are sorry that Mr. Robson should apparently consider the omission on the part of our reporter, Mr. S. J. Nicholas, to record the fact that Mr. Wesley T. Page and not he, Mr. Robson, was the appointed judge for the Foreign Bird Section at the Welsh National Show was a deliberate omission. We doubt if the question as to who, or who was not, the judge appointed had any effect upon the entry. Mr. Robson and Mr. Page alike in their time have had good entries and bad entries in Foreign Birds, and other circumstances have to be taken into consideration. Such omission as Mr. Robson complains of, we need hardly explain was due to oversight on the part of our representatives, and also our editorial department. We have in our long knowledge of Mr. John Robson always endeavoured to do him the fullest possible justice. Even when opposed to him or his views we have tried to give him fair play, and we are certainly not likely to depart from our principles now that he is no longer in a position to retaliate journalistically for any grievance, imaginary or otherwise. We extend our apologies to Mr. Robson for the omission, which we admit was a regrettable one, and with that apology we hope Mr. Robson will rest content.—EDITOR, "C.B."]

Mice and Rats in Aviaries.

SIR.—I agree with Madam A. Feist-Madewell that mice do not injure birds, as I have often seen them in my aviary, and noticed that although they frighten and disturb the birds they never attack them. Rats or cats or other nocturnal prowlers outside the aviary do try to get at them. One Chaffinch was plucked practically bare on the left side and all the feathers were outside the wire. A cock Goldie had the end joint completely bitten off his wing. I found it several yards away from the aviary, and enclose it, but he lived happily in a cage for a long time after it. I lost three cock Greenies in quick succession, each having had its legs pulled right out, but no other injury. Several other birds show marks on their sides where feathers have been pulled out, but I have always found the feathers outside—none inside. I think that these facts point to the fact that mice are practically harmless, but rats are otherwise.

J. E. M. KNIGHT.

[Our correspondent's trouble is due to cats; they lie in front of the aviary and spring at any bird which flies on the wires. The remedy is to double wire the front, putting the second wire netting an inch or so away from the first.—Editor.]

Affairs of the Yorkshire C.C of Scotland.

SIR,—Knowing that Mr. R. B. Gibb is outside the charmed circle (or clique) in the above club, I was not surprised to read his disclaimer the other week. Regarding one question in my last letter, the person concerned has resigned membership, thus not facing the music. The person signing himself "A Member" is no friend of the novice. His definition of a novice evidently is: "One who pays his annual sub. and enters his birds to fill the classes, so that I can get full prize-money and thus recover the price of my winners." The Scottish Y.C.C. stands alone, I believe, as being the only specialist club in the United Kingdom that does not give novice classes. It is a one-man club, as can be seen from the report of the annual meeting in CAGE BIRDS last week.

"A Member" says they have done too much for the novices. They have evidently killed them with kindness, when they have only one competing novice member left, and as he has won the novice cup (with 8 points) he is now a champion. So novices who join now will not only have the Scottish champions to compete against, but also the English. It is up to those who have the Fancy really at heart to get the novices a few classes; do away with local judges, make it compulsory that all Yorkshires be shown in Yorkshire Union show cages, and arrange the specials during the season for most points, 2nd most, 3rd most, 4th most, 5th most, etc., and not have one exhibitor getting all.

ONE LESS.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Yellow Buntings at Bathgate Show.

SIR,—Kindly allow me space to reply to your correspondent of last week re the Yellow Buntings. I have just had a schedule of the above show, and I think the classification the best that I have seen yet for British birds, as the promoters cater for all, field and house-moulted, and they deserve the heartiest support of British bird lovers. I also see there is a special inducement for exhibitors in the Yellow Bunting class mentioned by your correspondent. I hope that the show will get the support merited.

BRITISHER.

The Heavy-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

SIR,—According to your report of the above show, the two leading birds in the above class should have been "wrong-classed," and possibly the third bird as well. Perhaps Mr. Allsopp, the judge, will kindly state why these three exhibits did not get the "wrong class" tickets? My own exhibit was placed fourth, so this matter is of considerable importance to me, as had Mr. Allsopp done as he apparently should have done, my bird would have secured the first prize. How any mistake could have been made, I fail to understand, because the schedule was worded so distinctly: "This class to mean more dark than light." But as your reporter states, and from what has been told me by exhibitors who visited the show, the three leading birds were "more light than dark."

HENRY J. DAVIS.

The Birtley, Chester-le-Street, and Pelton Fell Amalgamation.

SIR,—Having attended the meeting called by Mr. Robinson for Feb. 13, I was much surprised and disappointed to find only two of the Pelton Fell Society's members there—Mr. Redpath and Mr. Bewicke (who are regular attenders). Where were all the members and *old members* of Pelton Fell who are against the amalgamation? Why haven't they the decency to attend the meetings held on their own doorstep, and to state their objections to the amalgamation? For my own part, I think the amalgamation came up to expectations, and proved a success; therefore I think we need to have some thoroughly good reasons before deciding to let it fall through. All members will understand that it must come before the meeting, and a vote be taken for and against before it can be definitely decided how the respective societies shall be carried on in the future. As there was a minority of Pelton Fell members at the meeting on Saturday last, we did not care to go on with any business other than arrange for a meeting at Chester-le-Street on Feb. 27, when I hope all members and intending members will be there, and put prejudice to one side, and let us try to come to some decision satisfactory to all concerned. If any members can't be present, I hope they will accept the rulings of this meeting with good grace, and not grumble after things are settled. Let us work in harmony for the welfare of the Fancy in the district.

R. WARD.

From a Fancier in the Firing Line.

SIR,—I thought it would interest fanciers to hear from an old reader of CAGE BIRDS how our friends, the birds, were going on in this country. You would be surprised at the bird life out here, with so much shot and shell flying about, and rifle fire going on. The last day in January was very wet and cold, but February opened with a splendid day—a proper spring morning. As soon as dawn broke a Song Thrush started its song in a wood close to our trenches, and then a Skylark. I also heard Blackbirds, Linnets, Chaffinches, and our old friend the Robin. Blackbirds seem to be plentiful here; I have seen some beauties. Chaffinches, too, seem to be plentiful. I was marching through a village this morning, when I passed a Canary fancier's house, and his birds were singing splendidly. I thought about my old friend "Bill" Eardy, from Huthwaite. I expect he will be looking them over now for pairing, also my other old friends at Mansfield and Sutton-in-Ashfield. I am going on all right, and hope to be with them for the next show season. I wish all a good breeding season.

Late Chairman, C. CONNAH.
Sutton-in-Ashfield C.B.S.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

SIR.—I welcome the correspondence from Mr. Bastock, for he is a gentleman who knows a good Norwich Plainhead. But why recommend this crossing of the weeds of the Crested Norwich into the N.P.? You know, as well as anyone, that the Yellow C.B. hen, if a good one, is the most valuable bird to the Crest breeder. The Fancy is quite aware of the introduction of the C.B. into the N.P.; sections of the Fancy have been following this course for some years now—also the cross from the Green bred from the Cinnamon. I admit that some beautiful feathered birds have been produced, and (I will put it this way) they have been put on the show bench before the traces of their ancestors had disappeared. Why recommend foreign blood, when the N.P. Fancy contains an unlimited supply for the next twenty years of birds possessing those beautiful Norwich properties, nice round full heads, with clean, full entrance, and distinct eyes, and all the other desired points? The mania has been for size (bulk), but I would prefer to recommend a more careful selection of the properties required from the purest Norwich strains. You get a greater average of equalised properties in your stock; more show birds of the correct type, which means birds you can exhibit all over the country, and which under competent judges will get fair consideration. Birds of standard character will maintain the popularity of the Norwich Plainhead, otherwise we are sure to degenerate.

BARKER CLEGG.

SIR,—The varied types as generally seen upon the show bench make up a vexed matter, and perhaps the least appreciated feature in the breed. Many a Plainhead will display six types in as many seconds, and yet remain the best bird in the class at the end. The well trained, quite at home in the show cage specimen, showing off his natural type in a rational way, is indeed a *rara avis*, and until exhibitors realise how important is the part played by "show behaviour" I fear that so long shall we feel discouraged by the types we sometimes see upon the show bench, even though such types are not natural to the birds that display them. Size is, however, a matter about which there need be no misgivings, so long as this desirable feature is accepted to mean massiveness of frame and solidity of flesh, and not fat and merely wealth of feather. When we can establish the truly large frame of bones, then we shall soon establish the 6½ inches show bird in all its glory, for clothing the frame in rich coloured, good quality feather, and even free from browing, is comparatively a much easier matter. Stock cocks carrying Lancashire and Crestbred blood are used in some rooms with success, and I suggest that did not a good deal of antipathy prevail regarding large hens, size would become more reliable than it is. To strengthen head features we pair two birds excelling in head properties, and so progress, but regarding size we must not admit a very large hen, because the book says a nice medium sized hen should be selected to counteract the undesirable features usually found in the large stock cocks. Now I say never mind about the undesirable features in the cock just at present, but find a mate for him as big as himself. Make sure her legs are sound and massive, for such usually indicate a generally massive frame. And don't get prejudiced because you have heard large hens won't sit and feed. Get her healthy in mind and body, and if you find the large hens have less maternal love, care, and instinct than the smaller sisters, then tell readers I am wrong. Opinions may run riot about the best medium for obtaining size, but the fact remains, in our Plainheads to-day there is a good dash of Crestbred, and a trace of Lancashire blood; the latter no doubt trickling into the breed through the former. To get to your show bird of medium size, and with all speed, of course the old and well-tried pairing of large cock to typical neat hen no doubt still holds good. But size would be more apparent did we descend from the large rough stock birds by more easy stages, just gradually eliminating undesirable features, and so in the end arriving at a real show bird which, by reason of its careful breeding, would even take a place in the stud as a breeder, and would do infinitely more credit to itself than many show birds of to-day could do, because such have within them fifty per cent. of the blood of a rough stock cock father, and fifty per cent. of the neat typical mother, and you can always back the rough stock blood for leaking out most.

E. W. ALLSOPP.

A letter from Mr. Bastock will appear next week.

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MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

PAISLEY NOR., MULE, BRITISH & F.B.C.—Annual show for breeding pairs, Painter's Hall, Causeyside-st., Feb. 13. Entries in all classes were good, some of them being double what they were last year. Mr. A. Livingstone judged and gave entire satisfaction. Principal winners:—CREST: Potts, Gemmell. NOR.: Sinclair, Kidd, McNair, Potts. BORD.: McNair, Gemmell. MULE: Hare, Gemmell, Pratt, McLerie.—J. Gemmell, Sec.

QUEEN'S PARK C.B.S.—Annual show of matched pairs Feb. 13, at headquarters, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow-road, was very successful, and members are to be congratulated on sending over 100 pairs of birds. Evidently the members have the right sort of stock, for the judge remarked that the Yorkshire and Norwich were the finest he had seen at Queen's Park for many a long day. Principal winners:—YORKS. CHAMP.: Ayres, Hawes. AMAT.: Birch, W. N. Smith. NOV.: Perrett, Hannaford, Bonwell, Rateliffe. NOR. CHAMP.: W. Smith, Butterfield. AMAT.: Burt. NOV.: Bonwell, Ratcliffe. BRIT.: Clark, Cyster. To those who helped to make the show such a success we tender our sincere thanks. The sec. will be glad to hear of anyone wishing to become a member. Mr. J. Robson judged.—W. J. Ratcliffe, Assist.-Sec.

WOOD GREEN F.F.A.—Meeting and pair show, Feb. 9, Adult School. Mr. A. Brand presided. Mr. G. T. Green, New Southgate, judged. Exhibits were of nice quality, and we made a goo dstart for our first show of the year. NOR.: 1, spoon, best exhibit; 2, Titchner; 3, Pettitt. CREST: 1, 2, 3, Pettitt. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Tolfree; 2, hc, c, Huggins. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Huggins; vhc, hc, Tolfree. Committee meet Feb. 23.—T. Callegari, Assist. Sec.

CHESTER C.B.S.—Pair show, club house, Boot Inn, Feb. 10. We should like to have seen more birds staged, but what were there were good. Mr. Parker judged Nor., Mr. Gardener Yorks., Messrs. Pritchard and Windsor Brit. Principal winners.—NOR.: Gardner, Jones and Chester. YORKS.: Hibbert, Farrall. MULES: Mrs. Whitlow, Woodfine. BRIT.: Woodfine, Walley. Members kindly note date of next meeting, Feb. 23.—A. Hibbert, Assist Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A. Monthly show, Feb. 10; Mr. W. Swaysland judge. Some good pairs were shown, also British. Club diplomas: Best pair champ., Gibb; nov., Absolon; hyb., Gibb. Club specials: Best Can., Gibb; Brit., James. Principal class winners: YORKS.: Gibb, Oakshott, Firth. NOR.: Gibb, Absolon, Miles, Pinyoun. CREST: Pinyoun. BRIT.: James, Miss Mantell, Firth, Gibb. HYB.: Gibb.—Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESBRO' AND TEESSIDE C.B.S.—Pair show Feb. 6, with close on 100 entries. Principal winners: YORKS.: Taylor, Rand. NOR.: Watson. A.O.V.: Appleyard, Gibson. NOV. CAN.: Bibby, Dodsworth. MULING: Gibson, Hanson. HYB.: Hanson, Gibson, Carr. BRIT.: Taylor, Smurthwaite, Appleyard, Carr, Bibby, Hanson. NOV. BRIT.: Bibby. Mr. Wright judged.—T. C. Deans, Hon. Sec.

WARRINGTON C.B.S.—Successful members' show, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, Horsemarket-st., Feb. 13. Borders were the chief feature and several of the exhibits would more than hold their own in open competition. Mr. J. D. Leigh judged. Principal winners:—NOR., Weston, Nelson. BORD.: Nelson, Kite, Eckersley, Clare, Stafford, Rice. BRIT.: Nelson, Barnett, Clare, Warburton, Eckersley, Rice. —H. Warburton, Hon. Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.—Monthly table show, Feb. 6, headquarters, 43 birds (all hens). Judge, Mr. J. Moorhouse. Principal winners:—YORKS: Townend, Shanks, W. Sykes, F. Sykes, Ellis, Crowther, Wood, Armistead. NOR.: Morris, Taylor.—A. Lawford, Sec.

EALING AND HANWELL F.S.

Annual show, Dec. 5, St. John's Memorial Hall, West Ealing; 200 exhibits staged. Quality throughout was very good. Sp. best bird fell to the Sec., Mr. Bamber, with a good buff cock.

YORKS. CK.: 1, res, Crockett; 2, c, Bamber; 3, Mrs. Potter; hc, Boffin. HEN: 1, vhc, Mrs. Potter; 2, 3, res, c, Bamber; hc, Boffin. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, res, c, Bamber; 2, hc, Mrs. Potter; 3, Crockett; vhc, Boffin. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Shipp; 3, Miss Cape; res, vhc, Thursby. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Thursby; res, Miss Cape. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Thursby; 3, res, vhc, Shipp. A.O.V.: 1, Miss Gilpin. MULE: 1, 2, Thursby.

FIFE C.B. LEAGUE.

Club show of the Fife C.B. League held Feb. 6 in Masonic Hall, Cowdenbeath, when a poor entry resulted, 133 birds. Lochgelly Society won League Cup with 105 points; 2, Buckhaven, with 64 points; 3, Cowdenbeath, 56 points; 4, Dunfermline, 38; 5, Kelty, 37; 6, Coaltown of Wemyss, 22; 7, Kirkcaldy, 3. Mr. J. C. Murray (Cowdenbeath) won Scottish Plainhead Club medal with a very good clear yellow cock. Plainhead and Crest Section, J. McLay, Kirkintilloch, judge. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, S.P.C. medal, Murray; 2, Smith; 3, Langan; 4, Weir and Hutton. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, Dickson. BUFF CK.: 1, Weir and Hutton. HEN: 1, Murray. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Grewer; 2, Smith; 4, 6, Smillie; 5, Langan. HEN: 1, Smith; 2, Dickson. BUFF CK.: 1, 3, Grewer; 2, Dickson; 4, Murray; 5, Langan. HEN: 1, Grewer; 2, Murray; 3, Langan; 4, Smillie. CREST (CK.): 1, McGregor. HEN: 1, McLaren; 2, McGregor. C.B. CK.: 1, McLaren; 2, McGregor; 3, Melville. HEN: 1, McGregor. Bord. Fancy and Yorks. Section, judge, G. Hislop, Stirling. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Cummings; 2, 5, Paterson; 3, Anderson; 4, Bintoul. HEN: 1, Rintoul; 2, Paterson; 3, Anderson; 4, Cumming; 5, Campbell. BUFF CK.: 1, Cummings; 2, Rintoul; 3, Anderson; 4, 6, Paterson; 5, Kenoway. HEN: 1, Rintoul; 2, Campbell; 3, [illegible] Stewart. Paterson. HEN: 1, 3, Bintoul; 2, Anderson; 4, noway. GR. OR CINN. [illegible], Paterson; 4, Ken- YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Campbell; 2, Stewart. HEN: 1, [illegible]; 2, Thomson; 3, 4, Stewart. [illegible]; 2, Thomson. BUFF CK.: 1, Thom- [illegible] Low. HEN: 1, Thomson; 2, Stewart. COMMON CAN: 1, Nicol; 2, Weir and Hutton; 3, Melville; 4, 5, McGregor. Scotch Fancy and British Section, judge, J. Steel, Dalkeith. SCOTS. CK.: 1, Fotheringham. HEN: 1, Fotheringham. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Williams. DARK: 1, Adamson; 2, 3, McLaren; 4, Low; 5, Kennoway; 6, Nicol. GOLDF. OR BUFF.: 1, 6, Yule; 2, 5, Low; 3, Anderson; 4, Grewer. GREENF.: 1, Adamson; 2, Low; 3, 4, Grewer; 5, Anderson; 6, Stewart. LINNET: 1, Anderson; 2, Smart; 3, Adamson; 4, Yule; 5, 6, Grewer. REDPOLL: 1, Nicol; 2, Stewart; 3, Anderson. SISK., ETC.: 1, Adamson; 2, Storrar. CHAFF., ETC.: 1, 2 Adamson; 3, 4, Stewart. A.O.V. HARD.: 1, Yule; 2, Grewer; 3, Storrar. SOFTB.: 1, Anderson; 2, 3, Stewart. HEN: 1, Low; 2, Stewart. FIELD M.: 1, Yule; 2, Stewart; 3, Adamson; 4, Campbell. FOR.: 1, Yule; 2, Stewart. —J. Cordery, Sec.

Club Reports.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Meeting, Feb. 13, before a poor attendance. Decided to leave presentation of members' specials over till after next meeting, when it is hoped there will be a good turn-up. W. Helliwell, Sec.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.

Annual meeting, Feb. 9, Mr. Massey chair, and a good attendance. The funds are in a healthy condition, there being a balance of £8 10s. in hand. Officers elected: Pres., Mr. W. Massey; Vice-Pres., Mr. J. Gostling and Mr. J. Flitcroft; Sec. and Treas., Mr. Jos. Kilshaw. Decided to alter the date of the open contest next season to a week later, namely, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 7 and 8. Other secs. please note.—Jos. Kilshaw, Hon. Sec.

EDINBURGH O.S.

Sub. meeting, Buchanan's Hotel, Mr. W. Allan presiding over a very poor turn-out of members. An important letter was considered from Western O.S. The President referred to the poor attendance and said it was a great pity that members didn't take more interest in their clubs, and only show their faces on show days. It was not much encouragement for office-bearers, who are doing their utmost to make things go smoothly. Mr. W. Thornton and Mr. D. McPhail were elected members at December meeting. Next meeting, 3rd April; full attendance requested.—A. Weston, Sec.

STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.S.

Annual general meeting, Feb. 10. Sec. reported successful year, with slight profit. Elections: Pres., T. H. Harrison; Chair, J. Sykes; Vice, E. Buss; Hon. Treas., J. Reed; Hon. Sec., A. Wasey; Assist. Sec., J. N Garrett. Committee Mrs. Holliday, Mrs. Sykes, Miss Barralet, Messrs. Branch, Rudge, Hodson, Stothard, Eves, Sears, Ruggles, Wood, Barton, Huggins, Day, Austin, Baker, Parker, Bayliss. For conspicuous services rendered, Messrs. Maxey and Collings were made hon. life members. New members elected: Messrs. Witham, Phipps, Brown, and Turner. Next meeting, Feb. 24, to arrange programme for 1915.—A. Wasey, Hon. Sec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Meeting, Feb. 6, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C.; 14 members attended, Mr. and Mrs. Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, Misses L. Culler and M. Culler, and Messrs. R. J. Pretty, Bell, Gilbert, W. Culler, Mortlock, Williams, Cooper, F. Durham. Mr. R. J. Pretty presided. Mr. J. Fox, Watford, was nominated for membership. Mr. G. Gardner lectured on "Stock and Stock-taking, not Breeding," which proved very interesting and instructive. Afterwards members asked questions, and the lecturer suitably answered all. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Gardner and to the Chair, which brought a very pleasant evening to a close.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

ECCLESHILL C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Fountain Inn, Feb. 6, with a good attendance, presided over by Mr. A. Pearson. Balance sheet presented by the Hon. Sec. and Treas., Messrs. Wilcock and Chippendale, showed a very successful season, there being a balance in hand of £6 17s. 3½d. Officers elected for ensuing year: Chair., H. Pearson; Vice-Chair, J. Bousfield; Treas., G. A. Simonett; Sec., S. Wilcock; Assist. Sec., B. Airton; Auditors, W. Sparks and F. Walton; delegate to Union, W Lee. Judges, rules, etc., passed for the Yorkshire Union. Our annual prize distribution is on March 6, when it is hoped many friends will come. A hearty welcome given to all. We are having a Rabbit Pie Supper, etc., 1/- each. Will friends kindly let me know as soon as posible if they are coming.—S. Wilcock, Sec.

S.W. LONDON C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 11, New Gild Hall, Wandsworth-rd., S.W. Owing to so many members being at the front, very few turned up. In view of the fact we are left with only 12 paid members, and Mr. Freeman having resigned secretaryship, it is most important that a new sec. be appointed at once to carry the society through a most trying time. Members must do their utmost to attend special general meeting, New Gild Hall, Wandsworth-rd., next Thursday, February 25th, at 8.30 sharp, to decide the future of the society. Now, South-Westers, don't let the old club go to the wall, but do your best to keep things going till our boys return. We are strong financially. Guaranteed support of the shows is all we want, then a secretary will easily be found. Bring a new member if you can.—K. H. Arkill, Assist, Sec.

BARROW C.B.A.

Meeting Gardner's Restaurant, Feb. 10, with a good turn-out of members. Sec intimated he had secured Dr. Ore as vice-pres., also Mr. J. Fisher, other gentlemen as hon. members. We enrolled some new members, and specially invite anyone who desires to become a memb. to see the sec., D. McFarlane. Table show for Norwich and Yorkshire pairs, also judging competition, proved to be one of the most interesting meetings held for some time. NOR.: 1, 3, c, McFarlane; 2, vhc, hc, McNeal. YORKS.: 1, vhc, Henderson and Crosby; 2, 3, hc, c, Harrison. There were seven entries for the judging competition, and some good placing was done. The prize was divided between Shackley and Hall, who came nearest to the decision of the judge, Mr. Saul. Decided to hold table show next meeting night, Feb. 24, Bord. pairs. Mr. W. Ireland judge. Also judging competition.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

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RUNCORN B.B.A.

Meeting, headquarters, Feb. 4. Mr. Jos. Guy chair, before a large attendance. Sec. read letter from Mr. D. Ornes saying that he would be glad to be President for 1915. New members made: Messrs. Bradbury and Glover. Sec. called upon Mr. Jos Guy to judge 9 pairs of Yorks. and 6 Nor., and his awards were well received. Winners in Yorks., Farrall and Spruce; Nor., Santhy and Faulkner. Afterwards Mr. Guy explained the points of each pair. Vote of thanks to Mr. Guy brought, a very enjoyable evening to a close.—E. Rone, Sec.

HARTLEPOOL C.B.S.

Meeting and Pair Show, Feb. 10, St. George's. Decided that we hold our Annual Show Nov. 6, and that we ask Mr. H. Battye to judge Norwich; Mr. W. Mundell, Yorks.; and Mr. Nicholson British. Mr. E. Woodhead judged Pair Show. YORKS., YELL. CK., BUFF HEN: 1, 2, Thornton; 3, 4, Naylor. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Naylor. NOR. CK., YELL.: 1, 4, Bennett; 2, 3, Ronald; vhc, hc, Bennett; c, Robinson. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Bennet; hc, c, Robinson. BORD., YELL. CK., DO BUFF, all prizes Watson. MULE, ETC., 1, Stankley; 2, Wright; 3, 4, hc, Hogg; vhc, c, Hall.—J. W. Thornton, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

General meeting, Feb. 10, Porth Hotel, with the best attendance yet. Decided to hold matched pair show Feb. 24. Entries close Feb. 22. Now members, let us have a record entry. There will be 8 specials, and prize money on sliding scale. Entries 6d. each cage. Please attend next meeting, Feb. 22, Porth Hotel, at 7 sharp, so that we can go through all matter re show, also that all entries can be in. Messrs. D. Gilbert, G. Stone, S. Jones, and J. Hubbard elected members. Mr. T. Emanual was elected treas. for 1915. Members please note exhibits for pair show must be staged by 5 o'clock.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH MOOR SOCIAL CLUB.

General Meeting, Club Room, South Moor, Feb. 14, Mr. Taylor chair. Officers for the coming year elected: Mr. T. Taylor, pres: Mr. J. Ransom, treas.; Mr. Geo. Lane, sec.; committee, Messrs. J. Elliott, J. Armitage, Ostle, G. Potts, D. Harrison, H. Roxboro, T. Shield. Decided to hold show on same date as last year, Nov. 6 and 7. A great alteration of rules, etc. was made. Judges nominated are Messrs. W. Reed, Sunderland; Dixon, Bedlington; Stanger, Pelton; Bewick, Pelton; Hands, Ryton. We have a Club Show second to none, as the officers are a lot of hard working fanciers. The South Moor Social Club officials are doing their very best to help the society.—Geo. Lane, Sec.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting Feb. 11, Oldham Hall, Mr. J. Abbott chair, and a fair attendance. The chief item was a discussion re cinnamon versus green blood. Mr. Raynes, Manchester, was called upon to give the merits of introducing cinnamon blood with a view to improve quality of feather, which he did in a very able manner. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe championed the green blood, and Messrs. J. Walker, F. Handley, and E. Bunner joined the discussion. Members spent a pleasant evening in learning the merits and demerits of cinnamon versus green blood, and also how the green blood was first introduced into the Liverpool district. Next meeting March 11, when we hope to have a very interesting and instructive lecture.—Thos. R. Jones, Sec.

NORTHERN BRITISH M. & F.B.C.

Meeting Jan. 30. Decided to have a Table Show at next meeting, March 6, at 7.30, in Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market. Classes: Linnet, Greenfinch, Siskin, Redpoll or Twite, A.O.V., Mule, For. Successful Table Show was held. Our old friend, Trooper J. McGuire, whom we were all pleased to see amongst us once again, was elected to judge, and right well did he do his duty, seeing it was his first attempt at judging. LINNET: 1, 3, vhc, Bertram; 2, Hooper; 4, Pettersson. GREENF.: 1, 4, Hooper; 2, C. Pettersson; 3, Bertram. A.O.V.: 1, Bertram; 2, 3, 4, Hooper; vhc, hc, Pettersson. MULE: 1, Maddison. FOR.: 1, Pettersson; 2, 3, 4, Voutt. Members please note change of meeting night.—W. Curry, Sec.

SHETTLESTON C.B.C.

Meeting and pair show, Feb. 13, Good Templars' Hall, Mr. E. Taylor chair. Mr. W. Hutchieson judged. Classes 1 and 2: 1, Hood. Class 3: 1, 2, Hawkie; 3, Carrick. Class 4: 1, 3, Hawkie; 2, Carrick. Class 5: 1, Lunn. Class 6: 1, Lunn; 2, Baird. Class 7: 1, 3, Wood; 2, Baird. Class 8: 1, 2, Baird. Classes 9, 10: Buchannan. Class 11: 1, 2, Forrest; 3, Carrick. The judge received a hearty vote of thanks. Other important business was discussed, but owing to lack of time part of same had to be left over till next meeting. Proposed for membership: Messrs. Bowman, Scott, Stewart, Booth and Watson. Vote of thanks to chair terminated the meeting.—S. F. Wood, Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

At the annual general meeting the balance-sheet showed a balance in hand of £6 odd. Officers elected for 1915:—Pres., Major Frank Johnson; vice-pres., Lord Newlands, Capt. S. C. Tryon, M.P., Major W. R. Campion, M.P., C. Thomas Stanford, Esq., M.P., Dr. G. B. Thwaites, H. Langton, Esq., Mrs. J. J. W. Miller, Mrs. M. B. Partridge; chair, C. Pearson; vice-chair, H. James; hon. solicitor, W. Graham Hooper, Esq.; hon. treas., D. S. Dean; hon. auditors, A. Farncombe, W. Firth; hon. sec., Will H. Gibb, 19, Bond Street, Brighton; hon. assist. sec., C. Absolon, 55, Havelock Road, Brighton; committee, J. Brown, F. Dandridge, A. Goble, W. T. Goord, J. Gravett, E. Loomes, H. Morrish, W. Miles, H. Oakshott, W. Swaysland. Decided to carry on 1915 with series of table shows, lectures, meetings, monthly, on the second Wednesday, at Headquarters, 2, Cheapside, Brighton.—W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Tea, concert, and prize distribution, Hunslet Co-operative Hall, Feb. 6. Mr. H. J. Mennard chair. 72 members and friends sat down to tea, and were well catered for by the Leeds Co-operative Society. The Longley Glee Party opened the concert by singing "The Gypsies." They also rendered more glees, duets, and solos during the evening, with very taking effect. Miss Robinson and Miss Robson's solos, duets, and recitals were delivered very artistically, and Miss Robson's recital of "The Lesson of the Water Mill" showed talent of a very high order. Messrs. W. Hornby and Middleton also sang songs very ably. Mr. H. Brown's mimicking was very well received, and Mr. F. Hudson sang "Sister Susie's Sewing Shirts for Soldiers" and "I followed there" in a very pleasing manner. President Mr. W. Hall presented the prizes to the various winners. Votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. Hall and the artistes. We were very pleased to see that old and popular fancier, Mr. F. King, amongst us once again. Upon being asked to say a few words, he said he was one of the founders of the society, and during its existence he could not remember such a gathering. There never had been such an array of prizes in the years gone by. The singing of the National Anthem brought a pleasant evening to a termination. E. Norton Hon Sec.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

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England.

Oct. 12-13.—**Plymouth W.C.O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)

Oct. 15-16.—**Warrington C.B.S.**—(H. Warburton, 73, Ellesmere Rd., Lower Walton, Warrington.)

Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.

Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.

Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).

Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.

Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.

Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.

Nov. 19-20.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., H.W.B.

Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 7, Mordaunt Rd., The Avenue, Southampton.)

Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N., A.S., H.J.W.

LARKHALL C.B.A.

Meeting held Feb. 6, Y.M. Halls, president in the chair. Pairs show fixed for Mar. 6, in Y.M. Halls, birds staged 4.30; entry, 6d. Classes: Bord. Yell. Ck. and Buff H., B.C., Y.H., Yorks., Nor. B.C. and Y.H., Y.C. and B.H., A.O.V. Can., Muling Pairs, Hyb. Pairs with Bulf., A.O.V. Hyb. Pairs, For. Pairs. Judges: Bord., D. Hamilton; Nor., T. Morrison; Mules and Hyb., G. Marlin. Special from Mr. Braidwood, best Bord. pair; special from Mr. Rondell, best Brit.; special per Mr. Marley, best Nor. Mar. 20 fixed for annual general meeting at 7. Election of office-bearers, balance-sheet, etc. Members are requested to be present, as there is pressing business.—A. Thomson, Sec.

BRADFORD NATIONAL SHOW COMMITTEE.

At the annual meeting of the Bradford National Show, in aid of the Cinderella Club funds, it was decided to hand over £5 to the Cinderella Club for the benefit of the poor children. Decided to hold this year's show on Dec. 3 and 4. Will secs. please note to avoid clashing? The following officials were elected: Mr. H. H. Towers, chairman; Mr. F. Hammond, vice-chair; S. Midgley, hon. sec.; E. H. Wetherell, assist.-sec. Classification and nominating judges will be considered at next meeting, Feb. 24, when it is desired that fanciers and those interested will, if possible, be present.—S. Midgley, Hon. Sec.

BOOTLE C.B.S.

Annual General Meeting, Feb. 2, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Mr. T. Evans chair, and a good attendance. Three new members were elected. Balance-sheet was considered satisfactory and adopted, showing a nice balance in hand. Officers elected for 1915: Pres., Mr. H. Berry; vice-pres., Mr. G. Skilling; chair., Mr. T. Evans; vice-chair, Mr. G. Wale; treas., Mr. G. Skilling; sec., Mr. A. E. Huyton; auditors, Messrs. Pye and Southwood; committee, Messrs. Algie Knight, Howard, Critchley, Bracken, Croft, Handley, and Pye. The rules were discussed and slight alterations made. Chairman has kindly promised a cup to be competed for by novices. Fanciers desirous of becoming members of this society should write to sec. Sub. 3s. per annum; nomination fee, 1s.—A. E. Huyton, Hon. Sec., 2, Byron Rd., Blundellsands, Nr. Liverpool.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Annual members' cup show, Dec. 12, headquarters, Duke of York, with quite a fine number of birds, and the competition was keen. Mr. Geo. Baker, Birmingham, judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Gibbons; 2, Hampton; 3, Gough and Loach. BUFF: 1, Weaver; 2, Loach; 3, Rowley; vhc, Hampton; hc, Trusselle. TKD. YELL.: 1, Hampton; 2, Rowley. BUFF: 1, Weaver; 2, Rowley; 3, Gough and Loach; vhc, Hampton. YELL. HEN: 1, Gough and Loach; 2, Gibbons; 3, Hampton. VARIEG. OR GR.: 1, Gough and Loach; 2, 3, Weaver. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, 2, Garfield; 3, Hampton; vhc, Weaver; hc, Gough and Loach. HEN: 1, Gough and Loach; 2, Garfield; 3, Rowley. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Weekes. BUFF: 1, Gibbons; 2, Weekes. HEN: 1, Weekes; 2, Gibbons; 3, Trusselle. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Gibbons; 2, Weekes. BUFF: 1, Gibbons VARIEG. OR GR.: 1, Gibbons; 2, Weekes. GOLDF.: 1, Tonks; 2, Price; 3, Harrison. LINNET: 1, 3, Tonks; 2, Price. GREENF., ETC.: 1, Tonks; 2, 3, vhc, Harrison. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 3, Tonks; 2, Price, A.O. BRIT.: 1, Trusselle. DK. MULE: 1, 2, Tonks; 3, Harrison. LIGHT: 1, Weaver. FOR.: 1, Breadmore; 2, Harrison. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, 3, Weaver.—J. Gibbons, Press Corresp.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting Feb. 4, Mr. Jones presiding over a large attendance. Syllabus for 1915 settled. The committee suggestions, which included lectures by Mr. H. W. Battye, and other well-known gentlemen, egg-food competition, and some new features, were adopted. The programme should appeal to all members, as each one has an opportunity of taking part one way or another. There will be three table shows, two only to count for point specials, which will be settled after the season. This is to induce members to do their best at all the table shows if they intend being in the running for specials. The three highest birds to count. The table show of matched pairs was well supported, nov. Nor. being particularly a strong lot, and provided the judge, Mr. Furness, with a stiff task, but he succeeded in giving satisfaction to all. Mr. Ridal ably judged the Yorks. NOR.: 1, 2, 4, Cowley; 3, vhc, J. and L. Woolhouse; hc, Hemmings; c, T. Tow. NOV. YORKS.: 1, vhc, c, Tow; 2, Carr; 3, Howarth. NOV. NOR.: 1, 3, Gears; 2, Sparkes; 4, hc, Curley; vhc, Varley; c, Sisson. Mr. Cowley won sp. best pair, and Messrs. Woolhouse best vhc. Mr. T. Harrison was elected a member. Next meeting, questions by members to be answered by novices, so this should be a good time for the latter.—E. Sisson, Assist. Sec.

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CLUB REPORTS—Continued.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

A lecture was given on Feb 2 (Mr. F. Cole in the chair) by Mr. J. Robson on Breeding and Rearing. The attendance was small, but owing to a wet night this could hardly be wondered at. The lecture was very interesting. A discussion followed, Messrs. Dracup, Whiffin, Cant, Clarke and Fairman taking part. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Robson was carried unanimously.—D. Reeks, Hon. Sec.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

Monthly meeting, Village School, Alexandria, Feb. 4, when the annual Canary pair show was held. A fine turn-out of birds faced the judge, Mr. R. B. Gibb, Glasgow, who gave entire satisfaction.

NOR. PAIRS: 1, 2, sp., Todd; 3, hc, Cemmell; vhc, c, Hannah. CREST and C.B.: 1, sp., Abraham; 2, Livesay; 3, vhc, Ritchie. YORKS.: 1, sp., Ritchie, 2, Caulfield; 3, hc, Manclark; vhc, c, Kinloch. BORD. BUFF CK.: 1, hc, Donaldson; 2, Campbell; 3, Gillies; vhc, McMartin; c, Livesay. YELL.: 1, sp., Donaldson; 2, 3, Gillies; vhc, hc, Campbell; c, Haig.—John Hannah, Sec.

MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.

Annual meeting Seven Stars, John Street, Jan. 28, when the election of officers took place. The Sec., Mr. T. J. Smith, said he was sorry to say that he would have to resign owing to being unable to devote his time to the work. After a little discussion Mr. J. W. Thompson was elected sec. Mr. J. H. Willows was elected pres., Messrs. Bird and Mayo vice-pres., W. Cadman treas.; committee, T. Brookes, R. Grainger, W. Harrison, A. Harper, J. Humphries, T. Thompson, M. Jacquemin, F. Twigg, S. Albiston, J. Eccleston, H. Powell, T. J. Smith. All communications to be sent to the new sec., Mr. J. W. Thompson, 6, Gorsebrook Road, Wolverhampton.

CITY & COUNTY OF PERTH O.A.

Meeting, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, Mr. A. G. Forrest, Pres., in the chair. New members enrolled: D. Robertson, J. Robertson, G. Duncan, W. Reid, J. Johnston, G. Todd, P. Kirk, P. Kellock, J. Stewart, J. McPherson, G. P. Gordon, J. Dougall. Mr. W. Blyth moved that we get cups for each section, Norwich, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Borders, Yorks., Brit., and Mule or Hybrid, also to get the Dewar cup for most points instead of at present. An amendment that the Dewar cup goes on in the same way as at present was carried by 7 votes against 5. Committee was appointed to draw up new rules: Mr. A. G. Forrest, W. Blyth, R. Crawford, D. Carstairs, and the Sec. Secretary was instructed to write all country members about the cups and rules, and to get word back from them before the next meeting, a special meeting night. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

WINDHILL C.B.S.

Annual tea and concert: Feb. 13, headquarters, proved again a great success. Sixty fanciers and friends sat down to a hot meat tea, which was, as usual, a credit to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hardy. Amongst friends present were two Belgian refugees, who seemed to enjoy themselves greatly. Johnny Bower, comedian, proved the usual success, and others who contributed were Mr. Ernest Mason, Miss Mason, W. Crabtree, and E. Shepherd. The pianist, Mr. Gordon Hipkin, is a great favourite and would take some beating. Mr. E. Mason and Miss Mason rendered several songs, which everyone admired, and both received great applause. During the concert Mr. H. H. Towers and Mr. Luther Ogden challenged one another who was the best singer of the two. Mr. Towers responded first and received loud applause. Then Mr. Ogden got up (with a lot of persuasion) and surprised the company, as nobody thought he could sing, but proved equal to Mr. Towers, and Chairman, Mr. W. B. Atkinson, declared same a draw. Votes of thanks to the host and hostess and artistes were moved and supported, and a most enjoyable evening came to a close.—J. Taylor, Sec.

GLASGOW (West End) C.B.C.

Meeting and show of matched pairs, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, Feb. 12, Mr. A. Hendry presiding over a good attendance. Prize money for annual show, 1914, was paid out to those members present. Judges were fixed up for table and F.F. show, Mar. 12. British Bird show, Mr. J. Young, (Rutherglen). April 9, British, Mr. A. Gillespie (Dennistoun). July 10, F.F. show, Mr. A. Sloan (Possilpark). Nominations were taken for judges for annual members' show, Nov. 20. New members enrolled: J. Craig, Wm. Colquhoun, J. Colquhoun, R. Glen, S. Hamilton, and Mr. Clunie. The entry for pairs show (64) exceeded that of all previous matched pairs shows, while quality was excellent. Mr. A. Sloan (Possilpark) judged and gave every satisfaction. A number of specials were kindly given by the following: A. Miller, C. Sellar, W. Proudfoot, W. Hamilton, D. Downie, G. G. Henderson, and G. Robertson. Principal winners: CRESTS: Young, Hamilton. NOR.: Young, J. Campbell, C. Campbell, Henderson. BORD.: Lunn, Sellar, Downie. YORKS: Cochrane. A.O.V. CAN.: Hamilton, Young, Lunn. MULING: Henderson, Mitchell, Glass. HYB.: Henderson, Proudfoot. Next meeting and table show of British, Mar. 12, Co-op. Hall, St. George's Cross, at 8.—W. S. Proudfoot, Sec. and Treas.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, Headquarters, Crown Hotel, Station-st., Feb. 3, a large number present; chair, Mr. J. H. de Maillett. Decided to hold Annual Open Show on the usual dates, Dec. 1 and 2. Messrs. J. Robson and J. H. Roe judges. Will societies please note dates to avoid clashing. Decided to guarantee the usual advert. in CAGE BIRDS. Proposed that we approach Wolverhampton and West Bromwich Societies, asking them to alter the Inter-Club cup rules as follows: "Any fancier belonging to more than one of the competing societies, full points should count for the society holding the show, of which he is a member, instead of sharing the points between all the clubs to which he may belong." This was passed and we hope the above societies will fall in with the idea, as we feel sure it will encourage fanciers to join either of the remaining societies to which they may not belong. New members elected: Messrs. Price, Merryman, Allen, Lewis, and Hernshaw; nominated, Messrs. F. A. Loach and W. Taylor. It is gratifying to note we have made close upon 20 new members for the new year, this looks very healthy, and we should be glad to have the names of other fanciers who would like to join us; the stronger each section is the better shall we be able to cater for them. We hope to have a lecture on the management and breeding of Yorkshires next meeting, first Wednesday in March, when we hope all members and friends, also any fanciers interested will be present. Meeting was followed by a very interesting lecture by Mr. Weaver, Wolverhampton, on the Norwich Plainhead. At next meeting the balance-sheet will be presented.—A. C. Shirley.

COALTOWN OF WEMYSS C.B.S.

General meeting, Gothenburgh Hall, Coaltown. Office-bearers for 1915 elected: Pres., Mr. J. Coventry; Vice-Pres., Mr. J. Weir; Sec. and Treas., Alex. Storrar; Assist. Sec., G. Hutton; Committee, Messrs. W. Smart, S. Allan, G. Whitbrook, H. Clelland, R. Storrar, J. Blyth, T. Nicol. Open show to be held first Saturday December in East Wemyss.—Alex. Storrar, Sec.

RADCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting, February 3. Officers elected for 1915: Pres., Mr. S. R. Walker; Chair, Mr. W. Pilling; Vice-Chair, Mr. G. Schofield: Sec., Mr. G. Lord, 16, Grosvenor-st. Radcliffe, nr. Manchester; Treas., Mr. J. Allen; Committee, all members. Headquarters, Warcing's Dining Rooms, Radcliffe Bridge. Meetings first Tuesday each month. Sub., 1/- on entry, and 4d. per month.—G. Lord, Sec.

GREENOCK, PORT GLASGOW AND GOUROCK O.S.

Smoking concert, held club headquarters, Shepherd's Hall, Cathcart-st., Jan. 29, with a good attendance of members and friends. Mr. A. Muir, Glasgow, made the presentations of cups and badges to winners of the classes, also to the Pres., Sec., and Treas. Songs were rendered by Messrs. Muir, Allison, Collins, Molloy, Stewart, Martin, McKay, Preston, and Master Douglas, and Master Molloy gave an exhibition of Indian clubs. The evening was brought to a close by the singing of Auld Lang Syne, and God Save the King.—G. Martin, Sec.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Meeting, Bay Horse Hotel, Feb. 13. Mr. M. Smith presided. Office-bearers elected. M. Smith, pres.; J. McLeod, vice-pres.; R. Muir, sec.; Wm. Grewar, assist. sec. and treas. Alteration of rules extending radius for confined members' trophies was passed. 10 miles being fixed as most suitable. Open show date was fixed as usual for Oct. 9. Next meeting Burgh Arms, when Mr. G. Raith will lecture on "British Birds," and a hand-washing exhibition will be given by Mr. Grewar. All interested are cordially invited.—R. Muir, Sec.

KILMARNOCK C.B.F.C.

Annual general meeting, Temperance Hall, Board Room, Feb. 10, President, W. G. Muir, in the chair. Balance-sheet read for 1914, leaving balance £3 18s. 6d. in hand. Office-bearers elected for 1915: Hon. Pres., Wm. Munro, Esq.; Hon. Vice-Pres., Provost Smith, Messrs. J. Middleton, and J. King; Pres., W. G. Muir; Sec. and Treas., J. Ferguson; Committee, A. Kerr, R. McGill, W. Robertson, W. Alexander, E. Metcalfe, W. Guthrie, J. Jones, J. Dunsmuir, J. Noble. Decided to hold a monthly meeting on second Wednesday of each month, excepting June, July, August. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—Jas. Ferguson, Sec.

CLITHEROE C.B.S.

Annual pair show, Feb. 13, at Bennett's Tea Rooms, Moor Lane. Exhibits were below the usual number, but made up for this in quality. Mr. L. Grainger judged. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN: 1, 4, vhc, Metcalfe; 2, Barnes; 3, Cook and Son; hc, Briggs; c, Speak Bros. BUFF CK. YELL. HEN: 1, Barnes; 2, Cook; 3, Cock and Son; 4, Speak Bros.; vhc, Briggs. Mr. J. Barnes won spl. most points. After the show members and their wives sat down to an excellent tea provided by Mrs. Bennett. All present doing themselves justice. After the tables had been cleared they had a very enjoyable evening, songs being given by Messrs. J. Hindle, R. Copperwaite, W. Wilkinson, and A. Metcalfe, Mr. R. Calverley accompanying in a very able manner; Mr. J. Briggs chairman. A very pleasant meeting was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem.—J. Southworth, Sec.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting Feb. 11, Mr. Havenhand chair. Decided that the cup rules remain the same for Canaries, viz., three starred birds in the unflighted sections. In the British section this was altered to the three highest awards. President read a letter from the Sheffield C.B.S. with reference to a combined members' show for societies in the district, to be governed by a committee elected from the combining societies. This scheme was unanimously approved, and delegates chosen. Mr. Hibberson had some very interesting notes on a magnificent collection of foreign birds he had seen, but as time was getting short was only able to give us just enough to whet our appetite for more. We hope to hear the whole of the notes at a future meeting. After the conclusion of the meeting we learned that Mr. W. Richinson, one of the founders, and sec. of the society for some six years, had enlisted in the R.A.M.C. I am sure all members of our society and fanciers in the district will wish him the best of luck in his new role.—E. Johnson, Sec.

GATESHEAD C.B.S.

Annual General Meeting, Feb. 10, Mr. Holden presided. Balance-sheet showed an income of £85 12s., with an expenditure of £74 2s. 9d., leaving a balance £11 9s. 3d., assets, stands, etc., value £7 10s., which shows the society to be in a flourishing condition. Officials elected: Aid. Gillus re-elected pres.; Mr. Holden, chair.; Mr. C. Pettersson, vice-chair.; committee, Messrs. Hawkins, Mackenzie, Maddison, Wellsbury, Davidson, Lawson, Tindle, Laidlow, Liddle, Mather, Pearson, Hooper, Moor, McGuire, Reed, Smith, Rowan, and Cromarty; auditors, Messrs. Crawhall and Almond re-elected; sec. and treas., W. Curry. Decided that all members who are serving with the colours to be made honorary members until their return to civil life. Also decided to have a question night at next meeting. Dates for next annual open show were fixed for Dec. 10 and 11, in Rochester-st. Schools. A hearty invitation is given to fanciers to join us. Entrance fee 1s. Annual subs. 2s. 6d. For further particulars apply to W. Curry, Sec., 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

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EDINBURGH WESTERN O.S.

Meeting, Riego Street Hall, Mr. Andrew presided over a small gathering. Reply from B.F.C.C. was read. It was agreed to have a table show at March meeting, two classes for each section. Classes will be notified in club notices before the week of show. The reply from the Edinburgh Club was left in the hands of the committee to arrange for a special meeting of delegates from both clubs.—C. Grant, Sec.

READING AND DISTRICT C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, Palmer Hall, Feb. 3, before a good attendance. Mr. G. Munday having been elected chairman (in place of Mr. A. Brooker, resigned), took his place for the first time, dealing with the items in masterly fashion. Judging competition proved very interesting, the two winners being Mr. E. I. Smith and Mr. G. Munday, the latter giving the best comments on birds present. Pair show fixed for Mar. 3, judge, Mr. Lewin (Oxford). First feather show July 7, and annual open show (providing judge can be arranged) Nov. 17.—O. C. Smith, Sec.

SWANSEA C.B.A.

Special meeting, Feb. 13, Mansel Hotel, new headquarters. Mr. G. Llewelyn presided. Messrs. J. H. Richards, E. M. Evans, J. Slee, Wm. Mabbett, Wm. Palmer, T. J. Williams, E. P. Hoddinot, Geo. J. Bennett, J. Harris, Mr. Williams, D. Rees, A. Richards, elected members. Decided to hold a pair show at headquarters, Feb. 27. Classes: 2 each Nor., Yorks., Bord., Bord. Gr. or Cinn., yellow ck. and buff hen, also vice versa. Judge, E. M. Evans. Mules, Goldfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Redpoll or Twite, Hyb., between two British Birds, judge J. W. Ford. Birds staged 6. Admission free. All are invited.—Alf. Hitchin, Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Annual meeting, Feb. 1st, an excellent attendance. Secretary submitted his report and statement of accounts. Mr. G. Lawton was the successful competitor for the tea service, with a total of 34 points; gold centre medal for runner-up went to Mr. J. Pitchford, 31 points. The society has a nice credit balance of £5/15/10. Office-bearers elected:—Chairman, Mr. E. Ousman; vice-chair., Mr. N. Lees; treas., Mr. W. Roberts; sec., Mr. J. Pitchford; auditors, Messrs. J. Glover and E. Ffoulkes. The holding of an open show this year was left over for further consideration. We invite those local fanciers who are not members of any society to throw in their lot with us. Meetings first Monday in each month at Red Lion Hotel, Stoke.—J. Pitchford, hon. sec.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Jan. 25, at new headquarters, the Parish Hall, Church Road, Leyton, Mr. Bartlett in the chair. Balance sheet for 1914 caused a great deal of discussion, and owing to the lateness of the hour the meeting had to be adjourned until Feb. 1, when there was one of the largest musters for some years. Mr. Rhodes occupied the chair. Election of officers: Pres., S. C. Rhodes, Esq.; Vice-Pres., J. Robson, J. S. Clarke, J. B. Slade, Dr. J. Laird-Simpson, H. M. Breary, E. Anderson, H. Ovenden, and Canon Thornton-Duesbery; Chairman, J. A. Bartlett; Vice-Chair, F. Wallace; Hon. Treas., H. Ovenden; Auditors, J. Whiller and A. J. Wilkins; Committee, Taylor, Marshall, Dalton, G. East, W. East, Collinge, Parker and Hellens; Hon. Assist. Sec., A. W. Farmer; Hon. Sec., G. King. During the evening there was a whip round to meet a deficit. The sum of £4 was placed upon the table and further amounts promised. Several new members joined, and some who had recently resigned withdrew their resignations. Altogether the outlook is extremely promising, the more so as our new headquarters are far in advance of any we have had before. Show dates for the year are June 5, July 17 and Nov. 6. Mr. Robson judge. Will London Secs. kindly note dates to avoid clashing as far as possible.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

WEST CARNFORTH.

A good company assembled at the Good Intent. 33 birds entered. 1, 3, Bendelow; 2, Marrington; judge, W. Fairless; timekeeper, J. McCabe.—E. North, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest Feb. 13, George and Dragon, Bridge-street; 33 birds entered. 1, Caddy, 100sec.; 2, Williams, 70; 3, Morley. We also had a sing Feb. 14, for three prizes.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Feb. 13. Three minutes' time singing, five seconds a break. 25 entered. 1, 3, Beard, 57, 38; 2, Wingham, 39. Not much singing done through bad weather. Open sing Feb. 14; 43 entered. 1, Jones, 91; 2, Beard, 89; 3, Piper, 77; 4, Williams, 64.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEIGH.

Linnet contest Globe Inn, Feb. 13, for time and quality. 31 birds were hung; five minutes' singing. 1, Donnelly, 194; 2, Darbyshire, 182; 3, Atherton, 143; 4, Moorefield, 85. Quality: 1, Asheroft; 2, 4, Cowburn; 3, Jones. Judges: T. Statham and Milligan. Referee, Jones; timers, A. Leyland, E. Hickman; minutes, W. Darbyshire; tappers, G. Parkinson, T. Wright.—Robert Disley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, headquarters, Commercial Hotel, Feb. 13. 25 birds entered for time singing. Although a snowstorm was raging all time birds were in window, a fairly good contest was held: 1, Cooper; 2, 3, Wallis. Timekeepers, J. Cooper, R. Plows; tappers, J. Wallis and A. Cooper; scorer, W. Perkin.—R. Plows Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-rd. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Feb. 13. Sixteen birds sang: 1, Ward; 2, F. Johnson; 3, S. Johnson. Judges: Jennings and Lacy. Feb. 14, 23 birds sang: 1, 3, T. Johnson; 2, Chippendale; 4, shared by Chippendale and Hirst. Judges: Sissons, Naylor and Jennings. Roller contest, Feb. 14, 16 birds sang: 1, Condliffe; 2, J. Chadwick; 3, T. Johnson. Judges, Sissons, Richardson, and Naylor.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Bathgate (Scotland). Corn Exchange, Feb. 27; judges, J. Maddison, P. M'Quiston. 41 classes: Mules 8, (1 Pairs, 1 Sell.), Brit. 29 (6 Sell.), Hen Can. 1, For. 3. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Feb. 25. to A. Nicol, High-st.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

(1)—*All questions must be clearly written in ink (or typewritten) on one side of paper, and conclude with either the correct name or a pseudonym.*

(2)—*The proper name and address in full of querist must always be written on a separate sheet of paper, and enclosed with the query.*

(3)—*Queries intended for different specialists must not be written on the same sheet of paper.*

(4)—*Queries must not include or be included in orders for books, instructions re advertisements, or any other matter for publication.*

(5)—*The department to which the queries refer must be stated on the left-hand corner of the query.*

(6)—*If an answer in the same week's issue is desired queries must be posted to reach us by* **Monday's first post** *at latest.*

(7)—*If an answer by post is desired from our specialists, a postal order for sixpence must accompany any query relating to sickness of birds, or a shilling in ordinary enquiries, with a stamped and addressed envelope in either case. Dead birds must not be sent to the office (see Post-mortems).*

(8)—*All who desire letters of complaint written to advertisers must state grounds for doing so clearly and fully, and enclose a fee of sixpence. All the fees received from this source will be handed over in full to the "Referee's" Poor Children's Fund (London).*

(9)—*All queries must be addressed to the* Editor, "Cage Birds," 154, *Fleet Street, London, E.C. Postcards are not admissible.*

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

NOT SINGING (One in a Fix).—Stop the seed mixture as staple diet and give instead plain canary seed only. In addition give separately every second day a pinch of dry summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and also a spray of watercress. In the water add ten drops of lemon juice, and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence for three consecutive days, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and four of dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week or so. Continue above dietary for three or four weeks.

MOULTING AND BREEDING (W.H.).—(1) Stop the bread and milk for the present, and in addition to the staple diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and teazle, and either a morsel of banana or a spray of watercress. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the water two days in every three until the feathers cease dropping. There is no reason why he should not be in good condition time enough for breeding successfully this season. (2) It is not at all unusual for some hens to wish to start breeding as early as this, but unless one has complete control of some means of keeping the room at a constant temperature, it is bad policy to allow them to do so. (3) By using some good substitute for the ordinary egg food, which will not readily become sour in warm weather, you may succeed all right with breeding by attending to the birds before you left home in the morning, and again as early as you could manage it in the evening.

BARE HEAD AND NECK (J. F.).—Any treatment for this disfigurement should coincide with the natural moulting season for it to have much effect; otherwise it is by no means an easy trouble to deal with. You may try the following for a few weeks. In addition to the usual seed diet give every third day for a month half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and sprinkled with maw seed. On the intervening days give first a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and broken groats and a morsel of banana, and next a good sized spray of watercress. In the drinking water add ten drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence every third day. Allow bird to bathe freely in mild weather. Slightly moisten the bare skin twice a week for the first fortnight with sulphur ointment, but avoid soiling the plumage.

NORWICH AND CROSSBRED (Just a Beginner).—It is a mistake to suppose you are secure from red mites when you have bought an all-wire cage. Metal cages are just as liable to get infested as wood ones, and only constant vigilance and cleanliness will keep them at bay. Make a point of touching the ends of perches, joints of doors, and any spot likely to afford a cover for insects with some insecticide at least once a week. Offer the bath frequently, and add a few drops of essence of quassia to it once a week. As regards the birds not bathing, if you got a bath to hang on the open doorway and put it on for an hour each day regularly, and removed the drinking water meanwhile, they would probably soon take to the bath and use it. Also you move the birds about too much. It would be better to leave them in the cool room altogether, and throw a light cover over the cages whilst the weather is very cold. To stop the moulting, treat as advised in first part of reply to "W.H." in this issue for a fortnight. (2) The cause of the old Norwich not singing is the difficulty of breathing. He has probably seen the best of his days. But you may treat him the same as advised to "One in a Fix" in this issue for two or three weeks. (3) By all means use the cross-bred cock for breeding in preference to the Norwich. His mischievous propensities may disappear when mated, but if they do not you can easily remove him when the hen is beginning to sit, and thus keep him out of harm's way. The hen will hatch and rear the young by herself.

J. Davies.—Replied to by post.

CHANCE OF ROOM (Roller Fancier). See reply to "J. T. M. (1)" in this issue, which fully meets your case. But as you appear to have means available to heat your room if necessary, there would be no harm in having such means in readiness for any contingency. Even if you did not require to make use of it, you will recognise the sound policy of having "two strings to one's bow." You might also dispense with the gradual hardening off by slightly warming the room at night for a week or two after the removal until the weather became mild.

CANARY QUERIES—Continued.

BREEDING FOR SONG (R. W. J.).—(1) The most suitable mate for the Roller-Yorks. cock to breed songsters is a pure Roller hen of a good singing strain—a so-called Scifert or St. Andreasberg. (2) As the cock is a crossbred bird I would not advise you to give any fancy price for a hen. You should get a quite suitable one for about 3/6 or 4/-.

VARIOUS (Birdie).—(1) Seeing that your cage is a four-compartment one with proper divisions, you would do far better to keep a hen in each of three compartments, and reserve the fourth for the cock when not engaged in putting the hens to nest, and run him with the hens consecutively, as you will have seen frequently advised in this column. (2) An unflighted bird is one which is in its first year and still has the large wing and tail feathers which grew in the nest. These feathers are not lost naturally until the second moult, though they are sometimes removed at the first moult for purposes of colour-feeding, then the bird is said to have been flighted. (3) A Sib.-bred hen is one that has been bred from more or less nearly related parents for several generations. They are generally used in attempts to breed light mules.

REMOVING BIRDS (J. T. M.). — (1) Your best plan in removing the birds from a warm room to a cold one is to wait until we get a spell of nice mild weather, as we shall probably do between now and the middle of March, and take advantage of the mild conditions to make the change. Meantime gradually harden off the birds, so to speak, by keeping well away from any fireplace, but where they will be free from draughts, and the temperature is fairly equable. If you do this there will be practically no risk of throwing the birds into moult. (2) As regards substitutes for eggs for making foods for rearing young you should get a copy of

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); *House's "Canary Manual"* (1/2); *Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries"* (1/1½); *House's "Norwich Canaries"* (1/1); *Weston's "Stock Book"* (7d.); *Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.); *Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *Ramsden's "Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *"Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds"* (1/2); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*); *No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

our forthcoming "Annual," wherein you will find full and detailed information on this subject, which is much too extensive to give in this column.

BALD HEAD (A. E.).—This is often a very obstinate trouble to deal with, and treatment, in order to stand a fair chance of success, should coincide with the natural moulting season. Still, you may try the following treatment for a month or so. In addition to the usual diet give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut lightly sprinkled with flowers of sulphur and finally with soft sugar, every third day. On the intervening days give first half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, niger, teazle, and broken groats, and next a morsel of banana or a spray of watercress. Every third day add to the drinking water ten drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence. Allow bird to bathe freely in mild weather. Slightly moisten the bare spot twice a week for a month with sulphur ointment, but avoid daubing the surrounding plumage.

DISAPPOINTING COLOUR (Ornito).—You do not mention whether the bird has been losing feathers since you have had him. But there can be only one of two explanations of the loss of colour, viz., either the bird has lost his plumage through a moult, either rapid or gradual; or the colour was on the outside only and has naturally worn off. You can only alter the tone of colour whilst a moult is in progress, by colour-feeding; therefore, if the bird has gone through a moult you will have to wait until the next moulting season before you can restore it. Then you would have to colour-feed the bird properly during the progress of the moult, and to do this you should get the pamphlet on "Colour-feeding," which our Manager would send you for 3½d. post free, wherein you will find all that is worth knowing about the procedure, which is too lengthy to give in detail in this column. If the bird is losing feathers now treat it for a fortnight or so as advised to "L. H.," for "Hen Canary Moulting," in our issue of Feb. 6th.

RECURRING BALDNESS (Dockyard).—Are you quite satisfied that the trouble is not due to one or more of the birds plucking the heads of these birds whilst in the flights? If this is not the solution of the case it is probably due to congenital weakness, which would need to be compensated by mating these birds to those in which these defects were quite absent, and with plenty of head feathr, though not, of course, showing any browing as in the case of Crest-breds. The birds so selected should also have been bred from parents in which the trouble did not appear. Given these precautions there is no reason why you should not breed with them, and in a few years time you should be able to quite eradicate the tendeney to the defect. It cannot properly be called a disease. You might treat the birds for a month the same as advised to "A. E." in this issue, and then give 20 drops of Chemical Food in the water three times a week for another month afterwards.

ROLLERS DYING (Novice, Cheshire).—You should have said how the birds were affected. The mere fact of the Rollers dying and none of the Norwich following suit may simply mean that the Rollers were older, for instance. As regards the seed-box always being emptied, do the birds really eat all this seed, or do they simply scatter it about the floor? If the latter is the case, that would help to throw a little light on the cause of death, which may be due to malnutrition arising from digestive derangements. In that case treat as follows for a week or two. In addition to the staple seed diet give a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, sprinkled with soft sugar and finally with maw seed, every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days a morsel of banana and half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape. Stick a cube of hard common salt in the wires for them to peck at. In the water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and in the next week give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tinct. of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week. If this does not have the desired effect write again and give fuller particulars.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BREEDING LAPWINGS (Bird Lover).—You omitted to send your name and address, which is contrary to rules, perhaps you will put it on a post-card for us. The garden would be the better place for your Lapwings, but I am afraid the cats would get them unless you could give the necessary protection. They are insect-eaters, and would be able to peck up some occasionally. I do not think you could breed with them; their wild nature would be against it; if you got them very tame, they might make an attempt, but you would have to keep them as secluded as possible. (2) A better mate for your Greenfinch hen would be a Goldfinch, Siskin, or Redpoll, but if either of the latter, they would have to be large birds. Take the perches out of the Linnet's cage and keep him quiet. If the fracture is high up it will soon repair. If in the shank of the leg, get some court plaster and wind a strip round it, carefully uniting the parts as well as you can. This will harden and form a splint when dry.

MULE WITH SORE FEET (E. Robinson).—I am afraid you have been treating your bird wrongly, but unfortunately you do not give me any idea as to your feeding. First of all, his cage and perches should be kept thoroughly clean. The latter should be taken out, scrubbed, and dried, twice a week. Mix in his drinking water as much Glauber Salts as will cover a sixpence; let him have this for one day, then repeat in a week. His seed should be 5 parts canary, 2 parts teazle, and 1 part summer rape, and a spoonful of mixed seed once a week. Give him plenty of greenfood, such as watercress, chickweed, dandelion, groundsel, etc.; see that it is quite free from frost. Catch the bird and immerse the legs and feet in a saucer of warm water, to which has been added a teaspoonful of liquid extract of wych hazel. This should be repeated daily until the bird is better.

MULE LOSING FEATHERS (Mrs. L. Brown).—In a good many cases if a bird is losing the feathers round the neck and cheeks it is a sign that he is troubled with insects. These insects are not the red mite, but a small grey louse. If a bird is infested with these and you hold it in the hand for a few minutes, you will see the insects running over the fingers. You say you have often washed your bird in Jeyes' Disinfectant. This should certainly rid him of these pests, but you do not tell me the strength you have been using it, and it is therefore possible that you have used it too strong, which might cause the irritation you speak of. Now thoroughly examine the bird, blowing up the feathers upon the stomach and under the wings and at the root of the tail. If you find any insects, or even one, you may be sure that is the cause of the bird losing its feathers. Then either re-wash him or thoroughly dust im with insect powder. Should

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); *Norman's "British Bird Manual"* (2/3); *or Part 1 "Hardbills"* (1/1), *Part 2 "Softbills"* (1/1); *"Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *"Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants"* (1/2); *"Secrets of Hybrid Breeding"* (1/2); *Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.); *"Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*); *No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

there be no signs of insects, you had better make a complete change in his diet and feed as advised to "E. Robinson" in this issue, occasionally giving a little soaked seeds. Rub just a little Kerol ointment on the bare place to encourage the growth of feather.

MEATING OFF BLACKBIRDS (Bird Shop).—If Blackbirds are obtained in the winter there is practically no trouble to meat them off, as they will eat soft food almost immediately if placed before them. Do not expect them to put their heads through a hole in the front of the cage for either food or water. Place it inside for a time so that they can easily get at it. A few mealworms or beetles when first caged will encourage them to feed; some of these should be placed in the soft food. Medium chicken meal (best quality), with a spoonful of meat meal added, makes a capital stock food. It can be varied with tablo scraps, vegetables, pudding, a little shredded meat, etc., and occasionally a few grocer's currants, apple, or other fruit. The birds should be caged separately, or they will fight and injuro their plumage.

A FORWARD GOLDIE (J. Upton).—There is nothing the matter with your Finch excepting that he is very forward. Perhaps you are keeping him a little too warm. I am rather surprised at his forwardness, as there is nothing in your seed mixture to cause it. In fact, to my mind it is rather poor; but as he is doing well on it do not change it, as Finches are easily upset. A little extra greenfood when obtainable would be beneficial. I se no reason why he should not breed again this next season.

GOLDFINCHES DYING (Cocksure).—I have carefully read your letter, and although you give many particulars you omit (like most other correspondents in trouble) the most important item, that is: How you are feeding your Finches. Therefore I can only conclude that your errors in this, and the heat of the room, are the cause of the trouble. Hardy British Finches do not require (particularly in the winter) a temperature of 62 to 63 degrees, and possibly a luxurious diet in addition. I would therefore advise you if you value your birds to place them in a room without either a fire or gas and feed them in the following manner: For stock seed, canary 3 parts, teazle 4 parts, hemp 2 parts, summer rape ½ part. Also a few sunflowers daily or alternated with other seeds in mixture, such as niger 3 parts, maw 1 part. Then try to procure a good brand of wild seed mixture. If not, perhaps you can buy the following and make your own: Thistle 30zs., dandelion and sesame 2ozs. each, lettuce, gold of pleasure, and cornflower seed, 1 oz. each. Give a teaspoonful about twice a week. If a bird looks mopy give soaked seeds. During the spring and summer months supply daily all kinds of wild food. I would advise you to send to this office for the Nutshell Booklet on the Goldfinch, post free 2½d.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

A FEATHER-PLUCKER (E.S.).—I much fear it is the dietary that has had much to do with the trouble, but as this is of fairly recent origin there is hope of a gradual cure. So long as the voidings are not watery loose, give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day; and, on the intervening days, put half a teaspoonful of byno-phosphates in the drinking water. This must be continued for some time. It will not do to stop the sop suddenly, but the quantity should get gradually smaller, and finally cease altogether. At present prepare it so: Take some pieces of stale bread or biscuit, put half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion, sprinkle a little sugar, and then add as much boiling water as the bread will soak up—any superfluous water must be poured away and the sop dusted with flowers of sulphur. Diet: Seed mixture, nuts, pieces of biscuit, and ripe fruit. Grit (not sand), cuttlebone, and a piece or two of wood for the bird to cut up should be continually in the cage. Report progress in about six weeks.

PARROT ILL (H.J.W.).—If you really value the bird, it is a case for calling in, or taking it to, a veterinary surgeon at once. If you cannot do this the only thing to do is to foment the swelling, but if the swelling is the protusion of any organ, you must call in a vet. Slightly moisten a piece of bread, biscuit, or plain cake with tepid water, so that as much powdered areca nut as will lie on a

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); *Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels"* (6d.); *Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit"* (7d.); *"Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages"* (2/3); *"Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants"* (1/2); *Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever"* (7d.) *"Colour-feeding"* (3½d.); *or the "Nutshell" booklets* (2½d. *each*); *No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.*

sixpence may adhere to same, or the moistened bread may be partly split and the areca nut placed in the centre; give three doses, with an interval of three days between each dose. The bird must be well fed up while this is going on, and ten drops of cod liver oil emulsion given daily, either direct to the mouth, or on bread, biscuit, or plain cake. It would be well to omit nuts from its dietary for the time being. The actual character of the swelling can only be determined by an examination of the bird. It would also be well to give half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water every other day, but you must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Supply its regular dietary, but do not give tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. If you have occasion to write again, state how you feed the bird and how long it has been with you.

AILING BLUE-FRONT (Miss M.D.).—The swelling should have immediate attention by a vet., who by the use of a lance could, most probably, give prompt relief. The bird will be better without the milk sop, and as soon as it can or will eat sufficient of the other foods, the sop should be discontinued; but, so long as you are giving it, put half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion in the daily supply. If you do not care to call in a vet., then soak into the boiled maize, every fourth day, one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia. Put into the drinking water every other day half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates. Also by some means put a little honey and borax into its mouth twice daily, and continue this, not merely till the swelling has gone, but till the mouth is quite clear of all sliminess. Under the above treatment, if this reply reaches you in time, the bird may gradually recover, but its cage should be cleansed daily, and it should be kept as warm as possible, and where the temperature will be fairly even. Report progress a month hence.

AILING LEMON-CREST (J.W.).—It is a difficult case, and if a vet. refuses to tackle it, it appears to be almost hopeless; but have you tried our Mr. Yates, or, if you care to send me a stamped addressed postcard, I will send you the address of a vet. who will undertake it if any good can be done. In the event of your continuing to try what can be done yourself, proceed as follows: Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water as often as you can without keeping up a state of chronic diarrhœa, but the bowels must be kept moving quite freely. Continue to foment the swelling, and if it is quite hard, and the skin unbroken, paint with tincture of iodine twice a week, so long as the swelling keeps hard and skin sound. The fomenting should keep the swelling clean. On the days you do not give the magnesia, put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. While the milk sop is necessary, put half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion into the daily supply. As soon as the swelling disappears gradually wean it from the sop. The bird should be kept warm, free from draught, and it would be better to remove the voidings at once, and burn them if possible. It would also be well to put a little honey and borax in the mouth several times each week, so as to keep the mouth and throat clear. Report with fullest details as soon as the swelling disappears.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

E. C. S Everard.—Thanks for your interesting communication.

Anxious G.B.—An aviary of the size you mention would hold about 50 small birds comfortably. If the position is sheltered, and the place protected against undue damp, there is no reason why a mixed assortment of Canaries, British and Foreign seed-eaters should not thrive therein. Send particulars of the place to our Foreign bird expert, Mr. Page (see Query rules) and he will give you a list of suitable species.

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CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Station Cafe, 8. General management of Yorks Can. C. Leah.

Annfield Plain C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Mr. Hanagan's, 6.30. Election of officers and other important business. W. Thompson.

Annfield Plain F.F. and C.B.S. Feb. 20, Queen's Head, 7. Entries for members' show; other important business.—M. Archer.

Bedford and Beds. United C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Raise St. Schoolroom, 6.30 and 8. Pair and B.B. and Mule Show. Judge, Mr. H. Markham. General meeting afterwards.—A. Simons.

Bingley O.S.—Feb. 23, Co. op. Hall, 7.30. Union ballot paper; members' shows and judges. Please note, I have been appointed sec. in place of H. Shaw. —F. Craven, 8, Norman St.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Feb. 27, Foresters' Arms, 7.30. Enrolling of new members and general business.—J. Stirling.

Bradford National Show.—Feb. 24, Market Tavern, 7.30. Classification; nominating judges and other important business; fanciers please attend. — S. Midgley.

Burnhope C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Coll Inn, 6. Paying of prize-money; election of officers; general meeting.—J. W. Robson.

Chester C.B.S.—Feb. 23, Boot Inn, 8.30. Important. —A. Hibbert.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Feb. 22, Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., W., 8. Cage Bird staging competition, 1st prize 5/-, 2nd 3/-, 3rd 2/6, 4th 1/6, and consolation prize. Judge, Mr. A. Silver.—V. Wynn.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Black Swan, 6.30. Grand prize distribution and judging competition.—A Walton.

East Ham F.S.—Feb. 25, Headquarters, Earl of Wakefield. Adjourned annual general meeting, 8. Rules, adverts. in hand book, etc. Nominations open for new members residing in Essex and six-mile radius from Headquarters; nomination fee, 1/-, returned if not elected, yearly sub. 2/6. Present membership 130. All communications and outstanding accounts to be sent to W. A. Harwood, Hon. Sec., 6, Swinburne Avenue, Manor Park, E.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Church House, Church Rd., 7.30. Pair show; classes: Yorks., Nor., Rollers, and Mules. Fanciers wishing to become members specially invited.—W. Dawson.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Feb. 20, Mr. A. Firth's, 38, Waverley Terrace, Gt. Horton, Bradford, 7.30. Y.U. judges and Y.U. ballot paper.—A. Firth.

Great Horton O.S.—Feb. 27, New Headquarters, Station Hotel, 3. Special business; also members' show, staged 3. Judge, Mr. J. Greaves. Please note change of headquarters.—A. W. Hartley.

Grimsby O.S.—Feb. 25, Slatter's Rooms, 8. Matched pairs and British classes. Members are requested to bring as many entries as possible and make the show a success.—J. T. Cotterill.

Glasgow North-West C.B.C.—Feb. 23, 44, Napier-shall Street, 7.30. Monthly meeting and show of matched pairs and British. Fanciers cordially invited.—J. Houston.

Glasgow and Western Counties.—Feb. 20, 122, Ingram St., 6.30. Pairs show, 5 classes: Tkd. Nor., variog. do., cl. or tkd. Bord., variog. do., A.O.V. Can.—J. H. Adam.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—Feb. 23, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8. General meeting and pie supper, and Union ballot paper.—A. Roberts.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Important business; new members cordially invited. —G. Vipond.

Idle C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Springfield Hotel, Idle, 6. Presentation of prizes, cup and shield; old and new friends invited.—C. E. Hylton.

Ilkeston, Codnor Park, and Eastwood C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. To settle up show business. Members please bring in ticket money.—Siddown and Smith.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30, Special meeting re protest in novice classification late show, and the action to be immediately taken. —D. John.

Manningham C.B.A.—Feb. 20, Mowbray Arms, 6. Revision of rules to Yorkshire Union; also prize distribution.—F. Darwent.

Newcastle-on-Tyne East End C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Hall's Cafe, Heaton Assembly Rooms, Heaton Road, 7.30. Show date; nomination of judges.—J. W. Contts.

Oldham C.B.A.—Feb. 23, Textile Dining Rooms, Shaw Rd., 8. General meeting and election of officers.—J. Cope.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Club Room, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Syllabus, subs. due, etc.—A. W. Newton.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Feb. 22, Porth Hotel, 7. Show business and other matters left over from last meeting.—J. S. Jones.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—Feb. 25, Emanuel Hall, Harrow Rd., 8. Matched pair show; prize distribution, and other business; visitors welcomed.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Queen's Park (Glasgow) C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Maria Stuart Hall, Crosshill, 8. Pair show, Nor. Y.C. and B.H., B.C. and Y.H., Bord., Yorks., C. and C.B., A.V.V. and H., Mules, Hyb. Business important.—E. Holliday.

Richmond C.B.S. (Surrey).—Feb. 22, St. John's Hall, 8. Annual general meeting; presentation of cups.—G. Birch.

Rochdale O.C.—Feb. 22, Clarke's Place, 8.—J. Butterworth.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8.—E. Lord.

Sheffield O.S.—Feb. 28, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Very important business.—E. C. Job.

South East London F. and F.A.—Feb. 20, 71, Albany Rd., Old Kent Rd. Pair show; fanciers invited; subs. 2/6.—R. Jackson.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Feb. 25, Wharfe Hotel, 9. Presentation of prizes and smoker. G. Mitchell.

Tong C.B.S.—Annual supper and prize distribution, Mar. 3, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. Fanciers and friends invited; supper 6.45; 1/6 each. Those who intend coming please let me know by Feb. 27, to arrange how many to provide for.—W. Walker.

Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—Feb. 24, Headquarters, 8. Show business; election of officers and subs. for 1915. H. Watts.

West Bromwich C.B.S. Feb. 23, Dartmouth Hotel, 7. Annual members' show. Fanciers invited free.—W. G. Andrews.

Warrington C.B.S. Feb. 25, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, 8. Judges for annual show and payment of members' prize money. H. Warburton.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Feb. 20, Horse and Groom, 6. Annual general meeting and election of officers.—W. Chapman.

York C.B.S.—Feb. 24, All Saints' Schoolroom. Club Show; judge, Mr. Chittenden, Bradford; birds staged 6.30. Entries close first post Monday.—V. Zimmermann.

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EXHIBITION cock Linnet Mule, with Linnet song, sell 35/-; or exchange; offers: F. Cundy, 5, Prioryaven., Prittlewell. (92)

TWO cock Goldfinch Mules, 6/- each; two hens, 2/- each; or offers for lot: Fred Boot, The Gables, Montacute, Somerset. (96)

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EXHIBITORS; light yellow cock Goldfinch Mule, well-known winner, 60/-: Gunnell, Railway Stores, Woodside, South Norwood.

GOLDFINCH Mules, 7/6; Linnet Mules, 7/6; housemoulted Linnets, 2/6; in full song: Lewis, 55, Letitia-st., Middlesbrough. (99)

COCK Linnet, also Border hen, sure Mulers, 7/6; green Norwich hen, 5/6; Redpoll, 2/6; or exchange: Goodman, Lampbey, Pemb. (91)

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WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

GOLDFINCH Mules, two splendid cocks, one 1914, 7/6; one 1913, 10/6, grand colour, full song; approval, deposit: Power, 75, Oakfield-rd., Walthamstow. (99)

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HYBRIDS for sale, Redpoll Siskin and Redpoll Greenfinch, both cocks, splendid condition; also few Norwich: Clough Wilson-st., Sutton Mill, Keighley.

TWO H.-M. cock Linnets, bred Mules last season, 4/6 each; cock Linnet Mules, 6/-: H.-M. cock Bullie, 4/-; or offers: Wright, Simpston-st., Spilsby, Linc.

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TWO lovely dark Goldfinch Mules, 7/- each; several green hens, sure dark mulers, 4/-, worth double; few Sib hens, 3/-; no exchange: Hetherington, Alderton, Chippenham, Wilts. (100)

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COCK Cheveral Goldfinch, twice H.M., Yorkshire hen, Bullfinch hen, lot 10/-: Revill, Market-st., Church Gresley. (97)

TWO cock St. Andreasberg Roller cocks, 1914, cold room bred, useful stock birds, accept 10/6 for the two; another good songster, rung, 8/6, cheap to clear: C. Griffin, School House, Redditch. (94)

LARGE h.m. Siberian cock Goldfinch, 10/6; h.m. cock Brown Linnet, 5/-, breeders; yellow cinnamon Border hen, 4/-; buff Norwich hen, 5/-; large buff Norwich cock, 20/-: Cave, 106, John-st., Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (101)

BARGAINS; Yorkshire yellow cinnamon-marked wing cock, 10/6; two buff and cinnamon-marked hens, 5/6 each (Ambler's); Goldfinch Mule, jonque, 4th Manchester, 10/-; dark variegated Linnet Mule, 7/6; cages, aviary fittings, cheap to clear: Firth, Home-st., Scunthorpe. (96)

A. C. Van NIKKELEN KUIJPER,
Naturalist, Haarlem, Holland.

(Telegrams: Kuijper, Naturalist, Haarlem.) offers Singing Cock Canaries, a dozen, £2 5/-; extra good, £2 10/-; ditto hens, two dozen, £1 4/-; per 100, £4 12/-; Belgian Canaries, Water Rollers, extra good, a dozen, £2 10/-; ditto hens, two dozen, £1 5/-; carriage paid to England. Mealworms, per boxes of 3 K.G., £1 2/-, carriage post paid. The above prizes after receipt of amount per postal order.

WANTED.

WANTED, Budgerigars, cheap for re-sale: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (88)

WANTED house-moulted hen Bullfinch: Collins, 36, Somerset-rd., Knowle, Bristol. (90)

WANTED, extra large Airedale dog; send correct weight: Goldin, 120, Tib-st., Manchester. (99)

WANTED, singing Mules, Canaries, British birds, Parrots: Goldin, 120, Tib-st., Manchester. (96)

WANTED, Mules, Canaries and British: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

WANTED, mice, any size, 3/- dozen, ½ to ¾ozs., 4/- dozen: Kent Villa, Shooter's Hill, Kent. (102)

WANTED talking Parrot, cheap for cash, or useful exchange; apply: Keech, 20, Eastville-rd., Bedford.

WANTED, Yorkshire, Norwich, and Roller Canaries; state prices: G. Ellett, 104, Kirkgate, Wakefield. (103)

WANTED clear yellow cock Border in exchange for buff hen: Freeman, 17, Spencer-st., Battersea, S.W. (99)

WANTED, Rose Cockatoo, or Parret, cheap, for cash: Mrs. Lewis-Jones, 11a, Princess-st., Aberystwyth. (98)

WANTED, 3 common cock Canaries, 1914, exchange 6 hens, good feeders: Renwick, 126, Ingleby Drive, Glasgow. (104)

WANTED, a large quantity of all kinds of Canaries and British, also talking Parrots: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1995)

WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and cage birds; in exchange for cutlery and plate: Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (101)

GOLDFINCHES, Bullfinches, Hybrids, Mules, for re-sale, on approval; spot cash: Bannister, 24, Hulme-st. Burnley. (104)

WANTED, Yorkshire, colour-fed; give 6/6 pair; deposit cash; also Mules; stamp reply: Oliver, 2, Bridport-pl., Hoxton. (5)

WANTED large unflighted buff Norwich hen, typical no fancy price; approval: S. Corby, 2, Sydney-rd., Watford. (90)

EXCHANGE new Ingersoll crown gunmetal watch for Crested hen or buff Plainhead cock: Wells, 40, Spooner-rd., Sheffield. (88)

WANTED, 1914 yellow hen, good, will exchange 1913 buff cock, value £1; approval: Stockwin, 79, Baker-st., Northampton. (89)

WANTED, weekly supply of Linnets, Larks, Goldfinches, and Bullfinches; best prices given: Elliott, 104, Kirkgate, Wakefield. (103)

WANTED large, clean, healthy Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries; state price; approval: C. Clarke, 42, Leopold-st., Birmingham. (94)

WANTED, good Crest or Crestbred hen; exchange Goldfinch Mule or Yorkshire cock; approval: Lambie, Laurence-terr., Paignton. (91)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules; give 1/- each; hen Canaries, 1/3 each: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (57)

WANTED, few singing cock Canaries, cheap for cash, or exchange for British birds; approval: Cockram, Tatworth, Chard. (90)

WANTED, yellow cock Siskin, cap and bib; exchange 2 yellow and 1 buff cock Siskin Mules: Hall, Colenso-st., West Hartlepool. (98)

WANTED, pairs of Cockatiels, Canaries, Mules and fowls and bantams, prompt cash: Supply, 45, Great Bridge, Tipton, Staffs. (101)

LARGE yellow unflighted Norwich hen; give three Yorks. show cages, case for one and little cash: Gibbon, High-st., Stourbridge. (91)

WANTED a good cock Goldfinch; exchange 2 splashed hen Canaries, Norwich type: Underwood, "Kimberley," Merrow, Guildford. (102)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1989)

WANTED, Yorkshire or Norwich; exchange walking-stick gun, 410 bore, cost £2: exchange to 28/-: Saxton, The Lightnings, Conisbro. (90)

WANTED, pair Zebra Finches, pair Silverbills, young; would exchange mandoline and case; cost 30/-; 56, Izane-rd., Bexley Heath. (89)

WANTED, massive framed and headed Norwich, either sex, for cash, or exchange offered; see advertisement Mainly Canaries: Edgeley. (100)

WANTED, Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries in exchange for opera glasses, sell 12/6: Lewis, 30, Hamilton-st., Pentrebach, Merthyr Tydvil. (95)

WANTED, hen Canaries, 1914, in exchange for 7d. and 1/- novels, clean and unsoiled; approval: Oldfield, 29, Broughan-st., Hartlepool. (101)

WANTED birds, anything useful; exchange Dutch Marked, T. and W. Cavies, sell cheap, overstocked: Honeyman, Ship-st., Barrow-in-Furness. (94)

WANTED good Goldfinch or common Bantams, pullets, fowls, for good buff green Norwich hen: Williamson, Mount Pleasant, Riddings. (95)

WANTED offers for Canaries, Hybrids, British Birds book, cost 25/-; condition new; sell 17/6: Dimmock, Market-square, Leighton Buzzard. (103)

WANTED Yorkshire or Sib.-bred hens for 12 double-sided gramophone records, in good order; birds first: W. Whittaker, Alma-st., Alfreton. (97)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per doz.; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

EXCHANGE four Yorkshire show cages, used once, for yellow Border cock or Border show cages; Bird first: Johnson, 56, Aberdeen-rd., Lancaster. (93)

WANTED, breeding pairs, Yorkshires or Borders, in exchange for flying tipplers of my invincible show strain: Mann, Dale-terr., Sunderland. (92)

WANTED immediately, any variety of Canaries or toy dogs; cash immediately; state price and particulars to 134, Havelock-st., Leicester. (103)

WANTED.

All desiring the best value in Canaries, Mules, British Birds, to send for my 1915 Price List.—Post-card will do.—**RUDD, Specialist, Norwich.**

WANTED, singing Canaries, Goldfinches, Mules, rabbits, cash or printing in exchange: Reed, 74, Summerhill-rd., Tottenham, London, W. (102)

WANTED, Canaries, British Birds, Dogs, Monkeys, Parrots, Guinea Pigs, Mice, Pigeons, Rabbits; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (104)

WANTED, four cock Canaries, in song, will give £1, or exchange pair Scotch blankets or silver lever watch, new: Drummond, Hutchison-st., Glasgow. (101)

WANTED Budgerigars in exchange for graud Cheveral Goldfinch cock and Bullfinch hen, sell 10/-; approval: R. Parker, Feckenham-rd., Astwood Bank, Redditch. (96)

WANTED any quantity all breeds of hen Canaries, for spot cash; state price and breed, strictly honourable dealing guaranteed: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (59)

FOR cash; wanted, Canaries of every variety; state lowest cash price; will deposit "C.B.," or cash by return: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield. Estab. 1900. (80)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries, unflighted clear yellow cock, also clear buff hen, from two different breeders, good type and quality: E. Collins, 36, Somerset-rd., Knowle, Bristol. (90)

WANTED, good type yellow Norwich hen; give good typical yellow cock, or good pair of Crests; hen first; mutual approval: 110, Greenhill-rd., Handsworth, Birmingham. (94)

WILL buy for cash any quantity hen Goldfinch Mules, 1/- each; hen Canaries 1/3; all kinds of British birds, cocks or hens: Helyar, 55, Patmos-rd., North Brixton, S.W. (104)

WANTED, loud gramophone; exchange lady's new tailor-made costume, cost 2 guineas, and silver chronograph stop-watch, cost 35/-; offers: Crompton, Spruce-st., Rochdale. (92)

WANTED, two cock Canaries or Mules, or five hens; exchange 6 ivorine handled knives with nickel silver forks to match; approval: Robinson, 3, Thrumpton-rd., Retford. (104)

IN exchange; cock Canaries for racing pigeons; related to my second prize Pons National winner, 415 miles, 1914; for particulars: J. Milward, 13, Princes-st., Southend-on-Sea. (89)

WANTED, pair good stock Norwich; exchange silver English lever watch, capped and jewel, new condition, good timekeeper, sell 30/-: Taylor, Dunsdale, Guisborough, Yorkshire. (99)

WANTED for immediate breeding, good large Norwich pair, Crests preferred; must be healthy; exchange two new pairs roller skates, cost 30/- each: Macara, 47, New City-rd., Glasgow. (91)

WANTED, even-marked smooth fox terrier dog, on approval; state lowest price, or will exchange buff Cinnamons, Border cocks, and two champion Redpolls, winners: W. Lambie, Whitburn, Scotland. (87)

WANTED, large buff variegated Norwich cock and yellow hen, in exchange for large green Crested-bred cock, £2; also dark Crested cock, 30/-; 1913 Norwich, first: Robertson, Henderson Row, Edinburgh. (101)

WANTED for cash, surplus stocks of Norwich, colour-fed or natural, also wanted, Borders, Lizards, and Yorkshires, for export; state quantity and particulars to: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (88)

WANTED hen Goldfinch Mules, give 1/- each; Norwich and Yorkshire hen Canaries, 18/- dozen; Linnets and Goldfinches wanted; buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (96)

NOTICE.—Will give 6/- per pair for Norwich and Yorkshires, colour fed preferred; also wanted, Crests, Crestbreds, Borders, Scotch Fancies, Rollers, Mules, at reasonable prices; also foreign birds: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

WANTED, pair of green and pair of yellow Budgerigars, breeders; will give a grand pair of Bullfinches, fit for show, cock Goldfinch, cock Orange-cheek, and cash, for good birds; approval, or sell 12 - lot: Robinson, 35, Bridge End-rd., Grantham. (100)

I WILL give 25/- per dozen for large selected cock Goldfinches, on hard seed; 10/- per dozen large Bullfinch hens; 7/- per dozen for Scotch cock Linnets; 8/6 per pair for large colour-fed Norwich, and will deposit with Editor: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (79)

ARE WANTED? YES!

5,000 pairs, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, any quantities, for export, also cock or hen Goldfinch Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, and Linnets, etc.; best market value obtainable, absolutely largest bird exporters in British Isles; write or send with price: Howard and Sons, 1, Selater-st., Bethnal Green, London, also 77, Pitt-st., Norwich. Est. 53 years. (96)

WANTED

Any quantity Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinches, Linnets, etc.; send on best market prices given per return post; established 50 years: Sandiford, 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London; also at Preston.

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, Granby place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

of colour-fed Norwich and Yorkshires and cock Goldfinch Mules for spot cash; best market prices given for good healthy birds; also odd hens; also buyer of Linnets, Goldfinches, Siskins, Bullfinches, Hawfinches, cocks or hens; cash by return; references Editor or bankers, London City Midland Bank, Bethnal Green rd. branch: Enoch Power, Largest Bird Importers in Great Britain, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

Wanted, Hen Canaries

21/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

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SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

WILL give three cock Chaffinches from aviary for three hen mules: Rhodes, 273, Stretford-rd., Hulme, Manchester. (92)

WHAT offers in birds or anything for Bull-Terrier bitch, broken to ferrets: Luck, 37, Thomas-st., Macclesfield, Cheshire. (95)

WILL exchange grand cock Bullie and hen, also three cock Linnets, for yellow Norwich cock: H. Pinnell, Warminster. (93)

EXCHANGE Goldfinch, fit to show, two Yorkshire hens, for large yellow Norwich cock; sell £1: R. Pinnell, Warminster. (99)

EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch and cock Bullfinch, for contest Linnet and cage: James, Millward, 145, St. George's-rd., Redditch. (93)

COCK Bullfinch, Redpoll, Twite, all house-moulted, exchange Canaries, or anything useful: Ball, 43, Milton-rd., Wealdstone. (100)

EXCHANGE six grand cock Linnets, cock Goldfinch, for two good muling hen Canaries: Kimber, 162, Howard-st., Oxford. (97)

EXCHANGE cock Chaffinches, cock Blackbird, singing, new riding breeches, for Canaries: W., 25, Selhourne-rd., Wood Green. (94)

COCK Goldfinch, cock Linnet, h.m. Lesser Redpoll, hen Mule, six new back cages; offers lot: Walker, 6, Lambert-terrace, Aberdare, Wales. (100)

EXCHANGE H.-M. cock Bramble for long unflighted yellow Yorkshire type sib.-bred hen; yours first: Sharp, 8, Upper Sturges-st., Bradford. (93)

EXCHANGE four cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch mules or three hen Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (57)

WILL exchange cock Siskin, bred Mules last season, for two cock Goldfinch Mules, or sell: Curley, 7, Woodchester-st., Harrow-rd., Paddington. (97)

FINE house-moulted Red-crested Cardinal, grand condition, 7/6; exchange yellow cock Siskin; approval: Checksfield, Spencer-rd., Rushden. (91)

EXCHANGE house-moulted Linnet, Greenfinch, Bramblefinch, Chaffinch, Redpoll, Siskin, for Cinnamon Borders: J. Barnett, 245, Knutsford-rd., Warrington. (99)

GRAND exhibition cock Bullfinch, 7/6; or exchange good buff Border cock or yellow green hen, or Yorkshires; approval: Bobbett, Lynch Aviaries, Walton, Bridgwater. (103)

GRAND Blackbird, first Cardiff, first Welsh National, 15/-; will exchange house-moulted Goldfinch to value; mutual approval: Ford, 64, Talygarn-st., Cardiff. (93)

WHAT offers in cock Bullies or Siskins for a splendid cage-moulted cock Greenfinch and yellow Norwich hen; sell 7/6; approval: Sadler, 33, Preston-av., Hale End, Essex. (98)

EXCHANGE good British or Scandinavian Bullfinch box, breeding or flight cages for Canaries, Mules, etc.: John Day, The Bird Specialist and Cage Maker, The Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (101)

FIELD-MOULTED cock Blackbird, grand bill and eye cere; exchange for young exhibition hen Bullie and hen Chaffinch; steadiness essential: Burrows, Aldersgate Chemical Works, Southall. (93)

LARGE British h.m. Bullie, 3/-; Greenfinch, 2/6; another beauty, 6/-; hen, 2/-; Goldie, f.m., 4/-; cock Linnets, 2/6; also Norwich; seen any time: Blythe, Park-avenue, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (94)

GRAND house-moulted cocks, Bullfinch, Siskin, Twite, two Mealies, 10/- lot; exchange field-moulted exhibition Goldfinches, Linnets, or offers; yours first; approval: Stewart, Stanley-terrace, Morpeth. (101)

GRAND Redpoll-Greenfinch hybrid, fit win, 12/6; one 7/6; lovely mealy, well laced, etc., 5/-; fed Greenfinch, lovely bird, big winner, fed, 8/-; one yellow natural, 4/6; hen mule, 1/-; wanted, good Crested hen or offers: Edwards, Tailor, Leominster.

NOTICE, two giant Russian aviary moulted yellow cock Siskins, with grand black caps, bibs, and markings, and fit to win in the keenest competition, only 7/6 each, or exchange for cock Goldfinch mules or Norwich Canaries. See advts.: Powers and Russells, 10, Granby-pl., Bethnal Green, London. (98)

Mainly Canaries.

BUFF Yorkshire cock, exchange any other variety, or good hen: Morton, Overton-terr, Kilmacolm. (61)

FIVE good Border hens, 4/6 each, or exchange good Rollers: Crossley, 2, Rock View, Gillinggate Kendal.

WILL give good buff Norwich cock in exchange for coal stove, sound condition: Thallon, 13, Dublin-st., Edinburgh. (101)

EXCHANGE, or sell cheap, 5 pairs of Canaries, cages and rack, and utensils: Finlayson, 6, Irwell-terrace, Salford. (89)

PAIR Yorkshires, 12/-; yellow buff hens, 4/- each, or exchange Norwich, British or offers: F. Marsay, Lingdale, Boosbeck. (100)

EXCHANGE three Yorkshire hens, buff, yellow and cinnamon, for Norwich, or sell 10/-: Riseborough, 19, Queen's-rd., Jarrow. (96)

EIGHTEEN Seifert Roller hens, 1914; wanted, singing Crested cocks, three for one given; sell 3/6 each: 614, Fulham-rd. (99)

EXCHANGE large buff Norwich cock for two large yellow Norwich hens; sell 10/-; approval: 55, Lotitia-st., Middlesbrough. (99)

WHAT offers in Yorks. or Norwich hens for two large hen Bullfinches, caged November: P. Liun, Gt. Baddow, Chelmsford, Essex. (94)

WHAT offers in Rollers and cages for a first-class gramaphone and records cost £2 10/-: Walter Brown, 7, Dixon-st., Westhoughton. (88)

EXCHANGE good Norwich cock, light Goldfinch Mule, cock Goldfinch d.b. gun wanted: Chs. Pearce, Crimis, Par Station, Cornwall. (97)

EXHIBITION cock Chaffinch, two Roller hens, 8/6; exchange good Seifert Roller cock or Budgerigars: 40, Thorpe-st., Raunds, Northants. (103)

BELGIAN Hare doe, 8 months, by Red Duke out of Lady Normanby, 12/6, offers Canaries: Croom, 15, Broughton-st., Beeston, Notts. (88)

PAIR Yorkshires, 10/6; exchange for cock Hawfinch or Siberian cock Goldie; approval: Worth, Green-rd., Skelton, Cleveland, Yorks. (101)

EXCHANGE for Canaries, lady's silver watch, cost 25/-; large silver cigarette case, cost 28/-; both new: Hurd, 5, Glendower-st, Belfast. (92)

EXCHANGE four variegated Border fancy hens, grand type, 1914 bred, for one Goldfinch cock: W. R. Finnie, 95, Restalrig rd., Edinburgh. (95)

EXCHANGE variegated buff Norwich cock for yellow Norwich cock, clear or ticked, to value; Martin, 10, Sidley-st., Northampton. (91)

WILL exchange four hen Canaries (various) for joiners' tools, painters' brushes, paints, or wall paper: Thallon, 13, Dublin-st., Edinburgh. (101)

WHAT offers in Scotch Fancy or Crests for clean-cut Cheveral cock Goldfinch, in full song: approval both ways: Davies, 4, Abbey-st., Merthyr. (103)

BRADBURY boot-patching machine, 75/-; fireproof safe, 95/-; exchange Toy dogs, puppies, Canaries, Parrots: 17, Pembroke-rd., Walthamstow. (77)

EXCHANGE three genuine Sib.-bred hens, good light muling strain, for unflighted Lancashire hen; approval: Pitchford, 63, Dawley-bank, Salop. (96)

YELLOW Yorkshire cock, buff hen, 15/-; or exchange for pair Glucke Rollers; approval: William Todd, Oddfellows-st., Egremont, Cumberland. (102)

POULTRY wanted; offer my best Canaries at 7/6, others 5/-, hens 3/6 and 2/6; or exchange good pullets: other offers entertained: Eccles, Brigg. (89)

EXCHANGE two 1914 yellow Border hens for yellow Cinnamon Border cock or Roller cock, cold room: Holmes, 57, Westgate Road, Barrow-in-Furness. (98)

MONSTER pair Greenfinches, pair Chaffinches, and 1 odd cock Greenfinch, and hen Chaffinch, 5/6; or exchange anything: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Worksop. (93)

EXCHANGE six good Yorkshire hen Canaries, four 1914, two 1913 birds, for good singing Roller cock Canary: Mrs. Garton, 87, Merton Hall-rd., Wimbledon. (96)

UNFLIGHTED cinnamon marked yellow Yorkshire hen; exchange boots or anything useful, sell 16/-: Ormondroyd, Aberdeen-terrace, Lidget Green, Bradford. (101)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshiree, Seifert Rollers, or Goldfinches for scrap brass, copper, solder, etc.: B. Murgatroyd, 5, Walker-place, Windhill, Shipley, Yorks. (102)

PAIR Yorkshires, 10/6; exchange for large yellow Norwich cock or Siberian cock Goldie; approval, yours first: Bannister, Millbank-st., Skeltou, Cleveland, Yorks. (101)

EXCHANGE for Scotch Fancies one carrying box, two telescope cages, one double box, and two Scotch Fancy cages, sell 35/-: Armour, Loudon-rd., Newmilns, Ayrshire. (101)

THREE house-moulted Redpolls, 6/-; 1 Mavis Thrush (winner), 10/-; 2 nice cock Bramblefinches, 2/- each; exchange Norwich or Yorkshires: Mooring, Trewirgie Villa, Dunstable. (90)

EXCHANGE pair of Yorkshires for one big yellow or variegated Norwich hen; exchange two big buff Norwich hens for one big yellow hen: Cox, 100, Bourne-st., Eastbourne. (95)

SUIT, 38in. chest, 35in. waist, 17/6; exchange for pair Norwich or Yorks., ½-doz. nickel-silver forks, 12/6, for yellow Norwich hen: Ernest Fairhurst, Thunder Bridge, Kirkburton. (86)

BORDER cock, in full song; exchange two yellow Norwich hens, sell 7/6; silver-mounted calabash pipe, 7/6; exchange yellow Yorkshire hens; offers: Brooks, 157, De Beauvoir-rd., Dalston. (96)

EXCHANGE good buff Yorkshire cock, unflighted, Ambler's, value 25/-, for good yellow Norwich hen; mutual approval; hen first: E. Price, Lower Soughton, Northop, Flintshire. (91)

EXCHANGE either exhibition cinnamon Border hen or monster exhibition Greenfinch, for exhibition buff green Border hen, clear yellow exhibition Yorkshire hen: Wall, 26, The Mead, Street, Somerset. (92)

HIGH-CLASS Yorks., good stock birds, full song, clears, greens, cinnamon, and green marked, also two double and three 3-compartment cages: Robinson, 2, Sandringham-terr., Wetherby, Yorks. (84)

EXCHANGE pure-bred Black and White Hamburg cockerel and fly rod, complete, for good unflighted Norwich yellow cock, must be good; approval both ways; yours first: Girle, Longnor Hall, Shrewsbury. (93)

FIVE pairs prize bred Borders, good strain, 10/-, 15/- pair; single barrel gun, 12 bore, good farmer gun, 15/-; exchange; high class pullets wanted: Roberts, Gwyddfor, Penygroes S.O., North Wales. (92)

EXCHANGE for Canaries, "History of England," "Amateur Carpenter and Builder," both new books; also pair of field-glasses, good condition; approval: Rollinson, Wilkes-building, Wood's Bank, Darlaston, Staffs. (96)

MARKED yellow Yorkshire cock, good length and legs, hot colour, second prize winner; will exchange for variegated buff Yorkshire hen; must have good length and legs; approval; yours first: Williams, 20, Mountain-rd., Cwmaman, Aberdare. (90)

NOTICE.—Wanted all varieties Canaries and foreign and British birds; give good exchange in Crystal Palace shaped or other aviaries or cases or gent's suit lengths value 25/-, or lady's dress length value 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

WILL give ladies new R. gold keyless wristlet watch, value 55/-, or gentleman's R. gold keyless watch, by Russell, London, value 45/-; gramophone and records, 50/-; new goods, for typical colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshire, quality in preference to quantity: Edgeley, 491, Grove Green, Leytonstone.

Mainly Foreign.

WHAT offers in British for six Green Budgerigars, fine healthy birds: T. Cutcliffe, 218, Walton-rd., East Molesey. (91)

STUD Brindle Bulldog, £3; or exchange Amazon African Parrot; what offers pullets? Fish, 39, Bath-st., Poplar. (100)

EXCHANGE cock Zebra Finch, pair Silverbills, and 5 Waxbills for good pair Norwich: Buckle, 31, Gordon-rd., Kingston-on-Thames. (104)

MASSIVE steel kitchen fender and irons, 12/6; exchange to value in Green Budgerigars: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (99)

WILL exchange for Foreign birds, or take 15/-; treadle wood turning lathe, "The Companion.": B. Jackson, Joiner, Church-st., Bingley. (89)

EXCHANGE two pairs Adult Green Budgerigars, outdoor aviary bred, for good pair field-glasses or microscope: Humphrey, High-st., Aylesbury. (94)

PET Parrot, 30/-; pairs, Norwich, clears, Yorkshires, greens, 45/-, 50/-; Dutch Frills hen, 8/6; cock, 25/6; 21 prize-bred Canaries, £5 5/-; exchange hair mattress, aquarium fish: 16, Monatvernon-rd., Liverpool. (91)

Miscellaneous.

TAME and performing monkey, 35/-; exchange birds: Goldin, 120, Tib-st., Manchester. (69)

FOR sale, wire-haired Terrier bitch, 10/-, exchange birds, or offers: T. Cole, 77, Butchers-lane, Cradley.

TENOR Trombone, 15/-; side drum, Hawkes' regulation, 15/-; guitar, 5/-: G. Harris, Binstead, Ryde. (103)

SALE, 12 double-sided records, 9d. each, or exchange Yorkshire hens: Walker, 11, Bridge-lane, Ilkley. (102)

EXCHANGE good bred Collie dog for Parrot or fowls, or sell £2: Skeet, 39, Park-st., Aylesbury, Bucks. (90)

27 DISC records, latest tunes, good condition, for anything useful, or sell 20/-: Ball, Havelock-pl., Harrow. (100)

EXCHANGE roller skates, "King o the Ring," cost 25/-, for typical Norwich cock: Clough, 115, Clifton-rd., Derby. (102)

EXCHANGE pretty wicker dog's kennel for Yorkcock Canary, or sell 8/6: J. Hall, 39, Ulverscroft rd., E. Dulwich. (92)

70-EGG hot air American incubator, splendid hatcher, sell 20/-, or exchange Canaries: Ross, Aviaries, Forres, N.B. (96)

GRAMOPHONE, cost £3 10/-, and eleven records; what offers in Yorkshires: Rhodes, 18, Boynton-terr., Bradford. (93)

SALE or exchange splendid mandoline-harp, 15/-, exchange two Yorkshire cocks; offers: T. McLaren, Fintona, Tyrone. (86)

WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and cage birds, in exchange for cutlery and plate: Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (101)

LAYING pullets, singing cock Canaries, Parrots, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (104)

TWO hens and cock Black Pekins, sell cheap, or exchange for pair Norwich or anything useful: Robb, Crossgates, Fifeshire. (89)

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COCK Bramblefinches, 2/- dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; 24 mixed aviary birds, 1/6; bright mixed, 1/- dozen; Brambleinches, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, Linnets, Tits, Bluetits, Robins, 1/- pair; cock Blackbird and Song Thrushes, 1/- each; selected songsters, 1/6 each, exchange Fenn and Soil, Isleham, Cambs. (120)

COCKS. Bramblefinches, 2/- dozen; Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; 20 mixed seedeaters, 1/6; 12 brighter mixed 1/-; cocks, selected for show and muling; Goldfinch, 4/-; Bramblefinch, Chaffinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, Lark, Yellow Bunting, Reed Bunting, 1/- each; pairs for aviary same price: J. Fenn, Bird Specialist and Judge, Westcliff Villas, Isleham, Cambs. (91)

FOLLOWING selected cocks to moult out; four fine cock Yellow Buntings, 2/6 each; Chaffinches, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; Bullfinch, 2/6; Linnet, 1/-; Bramblefinches, 1/-, 1/6, 2/-; Reed Bunting, 1/6; also few good hens for hybrid breeding, Linnets, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, Bramblefinches, Yellow Buntings, 6d., 9d., 1/- each; fine cock Greenfinches, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; approval, deposit: A. J. Underwood, Bird Specialist, Wellington-st., Kettering. (115)

WARRANTED ENGLISH

cock Goldfinches in song, 2/6, 3/-, 4/-, hens 1/- each; specially selected cock Linnets in full song, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; selected cock Chaffinches or Bramblefinches 1/-, 1/6 each; selected cock Greenfinches 1/-, 1/6 each; all the above have been selected from hundreds, and all guaranteed in song and sure Mule breeders; all on approval; cash or deposit: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham. (125)

GRAND CHANCE

English cock Goldfinches, 2/6, three 6/-; large special selected, for muling, showing, 3/-, 4/-; hens, 1/3, three 3/-; cock Bullfinches, 2/-, 2/6, three 5/-; hens, 1/6, 2/-; large cock Larks, 6d., three 1/3, six 2/3, 4/- doz.; singing cock Larks, 1/-; Norwich cock Canaries, 6/6, 7/6; large Norwich hens, 3/-, 4/- each; cage fronts, 18in. by 12in. or 10in., 8d., 6/- doz.; 12in. by 12in. or 10in., 5d., 4/- doz.; any size made to order; special price to trade: Matt Hopkins, Bird Specialist and Cagemaker, 11, Fylde-st., Preston, Lancashire. (126)

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CANARIES.

Border Fancy.

SIX hen Borders, 1/9 each; or exchange Goldies: Wright, 14, Rosevale-st., Partick. (122)

SELL 1914 even marked buff Border hen, £1; approval: Schooler, Paxton, Berwick-on-Tweed. (123)

STILL few Borders left, matched pairs 7/6; cold-room bred; approval: Irvine, 166, Montrose-st., Brechin. (116)

TYPICAL Borders, cocks from 7/6, hens 4/-; type and quality guaranteed; McCredie, Terreglis-st., Dumfries. (102)

YELLOW green cock, 4/6; heavily variegated buff hen, 2/6; even-marked bred: Rae, 19, Charlotte-st., Langholm. (105)

BUFF and buff marked hens (1914 birds) 3/6 each; wanted buff cinnamon hen: McJury, 33, Church-st., Kilbarchan. (123)

GOOD Border Fancies; cocks and hens, Greens, Cinnamons, etc.; approval: McMillan, 67, College-st., Dumfries. (19)

SIX yellow Border hens, 15/- lot; exchange unlighted buff Norwich hen, 1914 bird: John Gillies, 33, Newhouse, Stirling. (120)

A FEW good Borders for sale, cocks, from 5/6; hens from 3/-; good stock birds: N. Levason, Mosswell House, Whitehaven. (122)

BORDERS, prize strain, clears, variegated, greens and cinnamons, cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/-: H. Young, Townhead, Irvine. (123)

LADY has grand lot of Cinnamon Borders for disposal, very sound in colour; approval; apply: Garsdale, Emsworth, Hants. (114)

GOOD Violin value 45/-, exchange exhibition Borders, Mules, or offers: Wilson, 168, Halliwell-lane, Cheetham Hill, Manchester. (123)

EVEN cinnamon-marked yellow hen, 7/6; ditto green-marked, 5/-; wanted, variegated yellow cock: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (105)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

PRIZE-BRED 1914 clear buff cocks, bred from cinnamon marked, pink of conditiou; approval; Deacon, Railway-terr., Cockermouth. (119)

BORDERS, cocks and hens; typical stylish birds; cocks 6/- up; hens 3/- up; approval willingly: Kennaway, St. Leonard's-pl., Dunfermline. (115)

BORDERS, clears and marked yellow and buff cocks, from 7/6; do. hens, from 4/-; pairs from 10/6; best obtainable; approval: Craig, High-st., Brechin.

BORDERS. One clear, two foul yellow cocks, one ticked buff cock, two yellow marked hens, cocks 5/-, hens 3/-: Robertson 22, Southesk-terr., Brechin. (123)

MISS EVANS, Severn Hall, Shrewsbury, wishes to sell her Canaries of 1914; Border Fancies strong, healthy birds, cocks, good singers, 5/-, 6/-; hens 3/-. (88)

FOUR typical unflighted yellow Border hens, 4/6 each; exchange 1914 Roller cock; must be good songster; approval: Wilson, Llangoed, Beaumaris. (114)

REAL good Borders for sale, fine type and quality; hens from 2/- each; cocks from 7/6; state wants: B. Green, 104, Wycliffe-rd., Battersea, S.W. (119)

CLEAR yellow cocks, buff hens, clears, variegated, Craig-Hamilton strains; exchange pair for pair Rollers, buff cinnamon hen wanted: Macbeth, Zoar, Forfar. (115)

FEW smart Border Fancies, pairs from 10/6, odd cocks from 7/6; typical and the best of quality; approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (1994)

SOME typical first-class Borders to dispose of; all varieties in clears and greens, show or stock birds; prices moderate; approval: Jas. B. Richardson, 22, English-st., Dumfries. (123)

EXCEPTIONAL value in Cinnamons, Greens, Clears, Marks, same as my Scottish National winners; show or stock; pairs or single: Dan Hamilton, 239, Lowwaters, Hamilton. (104)

HIGH-CLASS Borders, Greens, Cinnamons, and Clears; yellows and buffs from 10/6 a pair; odd cock, 7/6; hens, 5/-; approval: M. Cossar, 968, Hamilton-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (120)

HIGH-CLASS Borders, cold-room bred, three choice buff cocks, 7/6 each; few splendid buff hens, 5/- and 7/6 each; grand type and quality; approval willingly: Irons, Park Place, Brechin. (122)

HENRY BENNET, Border Fancy Aviaries, Kelso, offers choice stock birds, same blood as National and other winners; pairs 10/6 to 20/-; cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; hens, 4/6 to 15/-; all colours; approval. (123)

BORDERS; 6 well-matched pairs for disposal, 12/6 pair, 1914 bred; good quality and type; related my winners Manchester, Abertillery, Llanelly, Swansea: Hoddinott, Stores, Humphrey-st., Swansea. (121)

BORDERS, good quality and condition, clears, var., and greens, related to my winners Clapham, L. and P., L.C.B.A., East Ham, and Watford; cocks, 7/6, hens 3/-: Kybert, 72, Heighani-rd., East Ham. (115)

CHAMPION Borders, typical pairs, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-; good stock hens, 3/- upwards, all colours, related my winners three B.F.C.C. medals and numerous lsts this season; exchange for good buff cinnamon cock and buff green hen; approval: Nicholson, Westgate, Haltwhistle. (105)

CINNAMON Borders for sale; cocks, 6/-; hens, 4/-; buffs; best strain in the country; Craig, Patterson and Wilson's strain; or would exchange two hens for clear yellow pink-eyed Border cock; approval; no rubbish wanted: Carrick, Long-lane, Fisher-st., Carlisle. (120)

FEW grand yellow and buff cocks, from 6/- to 10/-; also a few nice yellow and uhff hens, from 4/- to 7/6; 1 buff uneven cock, a topper, 12/6; 1 buff uneven hen, 6/-; secure them at once; great bargains; approval: Crabb and Finlayson, 120, Montrose-st., Brechin. (122)

CINNAMON Borders at one-third their value; pair 1st Swansea, 1st Ardwick 12/6 selling class, accept 10/6; another pair, cock winner in open classes, with stylish hen, 15/-; my cinnamons are all Hamilton's blood, absolutely the best: Middleton, Northenden-rd., Sale, Cheshire. (120)

BORDERS.—Having selected breeding stock, can part with three good pairs:—Yellow cock, buff hen, 15/-; buff cock, yellow hen, 12/6; Green's yellow cock, buff hen, 11/6; hens, yellows, buffs, greens, from 2/6; typical, healthy, cold room; exchange entertained; no live stock: Pegg, 4, Peterborough-villas, Fulham, London. (116)

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Cinnamons.

MRS. DEACON'S strain, grand pair Norwich cinnamons, yellow hen, buff cock, parents cost £20, bargain £1 10s: E. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (113)

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A RARE CHANCE

Owing to change of residence, clearing out all my famous cinnamons, but three pairs, buffs cocks and hens, beauties, 12/6 upwards; yellow cocks, 10/- upwards; no single hens; approval, stamp: Rev. Nunne, Harrington, Cumberland. (119)

Belgians.

FEW grand pairs Belgians, also cocks, hens, bred 1914, cold-room, cheap; approval: George Baker, Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (126)

BUFF, high shouldered cock Belgian, splendid condition, bargain, 15/-; buff half-bred hen, 5/-; approval: Comben, Outfitter, Portland. (126)

CHAMPION Belgians, grand birds, disposal, same strain my championship winners last two Palace shows; cheap; approval: G. S. Baker, Georges-rd., Barnstaple. (75)

GOOD, high shouldered young Belgians for sale, same strain my winners Crystal Palace, Scottish Derby, Barnstaple, etc.; cocks, hens cheap; approval: A. Baker, 35, Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (126)

Crests and Crestbreds.

CRESTS and Crestbreds, Goulden's strain, approval, stamp: Crosby, Edenhall, Langwathby, Carlisle. (117)

FIVE pairs grand Crests, £1 a pair; each bird has been carefully bred: Moist, 2, Cambridge-st., Exeter. (119)

CRESTS, Crestbreds, cocks, also hens, 1914 hatched, 10/- to 20/- each; approval: 83, De Gray-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (106)

EVINS BROTHERS, only six cocks left, 15/- to 40/-, real bargains at the price; healthy, approval: High-st., Exeter. (115)

BREEDER has some Crests and Crest-breds to sell from 15/- pair; approval: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-av., Forest Gate, Essex. (1980)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, fit to win, 10/6, 15/6 each; ten days' approval.—W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (112)

1914 BUFF hens, grizzle crest, ticked C.-B., cinnamon ticked C.-B., 5/- each; another 4/-: Smithson, Basinghall-sq., Leeds. (93)

CRESTED cock, Crest-bred hen, 15/-; Crest-bred cock, Crested hen, 20/-; 4 hens, cheap: J. Gillespie, 19, Allergate, Durham. (123)

CREST and Crestbreds, heaps of feather, the best of blood, none better; approval.—Fletcher, 216, Milford-rd., Nottingham. (113)

TWO Crest hens, 2 Crest cocks, 2 Crestbred cocks, cages and flight for sale; offers: McColl, 4, Albion-rd. West, North Shields. (101)

CRESTS.—Several grand dark weeping crested hens, pink of condition, 50/- each; approval: C. Horsley, Butcher, Norwich. (120)

CRESTS and Crestbreds pairs from 12/- to 30/-; several single cocks and hens from 6/-: H. Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (50)

FOR sale, green Crest cock, 30/-; another two green Crest cocks, one 20/-, and 15/-; related to my winners: McNaughton, Duniface, Larbert. (36)

HIGH-CLASS Crest pairs, from 25/- up; single cocks, Crest, and Crest-breds, from 10/- upwards; no cards: Compton, Waddesdon, Bucks. (116)

NOTICE, two clear body dark Crests and two green Crests, cocks, 10/6 each; or exchange boots or blankets: W. Brown, Bargate, Derby. (112)

EXCEPTIONAL bargain, pair of Crests, Joyce and Tysons, cost £3 recently, accept 35/-, perfect condition: Hotchkis, 37, Barry Terrace, Pontypridd. (126)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Crests and Crestbreds for show or stock; prices low; easy payments arranged; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (48)

MRS. THOS. TAYLOR'S champion strain, good stock, Crest hens and Crestbred cocks, from 50/- pair; approval, stamp: 68, Edward-st., Gateshead. (105)

HIGH class Crests, best blood, cocks or hens, 35 years' breeder, judge of many shows, reasonable approval: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (111)

C. ROBERTS, the noted breeder show Crests, can spare few pairs from 30/-; single birds from 15/6; approval: Stannahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (125)

W. RADMORE, 17, Chaddlewood-aven., Plymouth, has for disposal a few high-class Crests and Crestbreds, show or stock, from 10/- upwards; stamp reply. (1993)

WELL-BRED young Crested and Crestbred Canaries, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 7/6, 10/6; approval: Miss Hacker, Beechcourt, St. Helen's Park-rd., Hastings. (116)

LARGE variegated Crested cock, exceptionally good crest, 17/6; or would exchange songsters or Norwich Cinnamons: Wilson, 497b, West Green-rd., London, N. (121)

CLEAR Crestbred cocks, 10/6; variegated dark Crested cocks, 10/6, 12/6; good Grizzle Crested hens, 6/6 each; money returned not approved: G. Roberts, Cley-next-Sea. (112)

ONLY five left for disposal; fine green Crested cock, 40/-; unflighted green Crested cock, 40/-; also three Crestbred hens, cheap: William Tatman, Midland-rd., Wellingborough.

WANTED, offers in Crests (no rubbish) for pedigree Fawn Bulldog, cost £5, very highly commended last Tunbridge Wells Show: A. Wall, Merton Hall, Hartington-pl., Brighton. (116)

T. J. King, Ingogo, Cheltenham, offers most of his show Crests, Crestbreds, including yellows, buffs; he has won 8 firsts at three shows this season, grand stock birds from 20/- each; approval. (1961)

H. HORTON, 21 years breeder and exhibitor Crests, has good young birds to spare from 7/6; or exchange; no live stock; approval: 18, The Avenue, St. John's Park-rd., Blackheath, S.E. (100)

A FEW unflighted Crestbred hens, winning strain, large and feathery, cold room; also two pairs, paired for breeding, 22/- each: bargain; approval: Hamilton, Holburn-gardens, Newlands, Glasgow. (96)

TICKED Crest-bred hen, dark cap, big, massive bird, feather to beak-end, 10/6; big, healthy, variegated Crested cock, 10/6; young birds; approval: Charles Vere, Burntcleuch, Canonbie. (123)

CRESTBRED cock, rung 1913, full brother to Crest hen, twice first at Scottish National 50/-; or exchange for good Crest cock; approval.—G. F. Adamson 23, West Netherton-st., Kilmarnock. (113)

THE winning strain, 1912 variegated Crestbred cock, big winner, and free breeder, £5 10/-; ditto, sire of same grand Crests, £4 10/-; approval; stamp particulars: McLaren, 16, Millhill-st., Dunfermline. (123)

TWO 1914 Crest-bred cocks, 1 green and 1 almost clear, grand birds, plenty of feather, 10/- each; or exchange good yell. Nor. cock, to value: Wm. Forster, 18, Grange Terrace, Pelton Fell, Co. Durham. (122)

CRESTS and Crest-breds, best blood in the world. Have selected my breeders, a few of this splendid strain to spare at 30/- upwards the pair; also singles; stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (1979)

WONDERFUL collection of best combined strains of Crests in England; please state requirements, for if anyone can suit you, I think it is myself; list of cheapest procurable free: W. Rudd, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

CREST and Crestbreds for sale, with long, leafy head feather, 3 times out this season, with 7 entries, 5 firsts, second and fourth; inspection invited; approval, 10/- upwards: Symons Bros., Brisbane, Liskeard, Cornwall. (88)

CREST and Crestbreds. Geo. Williams, 50a, Lower Union-st., Torquay, one of the oldest breeders in the Fancy, has bred and shown scores of winners; has some nice young birds for sale, price from 10s. to £10; on approval. (93)

WANTED, one or two pairs of Crests, not weeds; exchange Fox's universal wood trimmer, almost new; will cut square, mitres, or any angle from 1-8th to 11ins. wide; sell, £7; cost £10: Day, 5, Carleton-terr., Halton-rd. Islington, N. (120)

MAGNIFICENT 1914 dark Crested cock, large, neat drooping crest, only 12/6, honestly worth 30/- for stock alone; also massive feathery 1914 Crestbred cock, rare typo and quality of feather, only 10/6, honestly worth double, Palace winning strain, cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (114)

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CREST and Crestbred Fanciers!—Wanted, 12 large bold big-headed broad skulled, broad-shouldered, full-necked, Norwich type Crestbred cocks, 1913 birds preferred, close feathered birds, must have big bold heads, yellow, buff, green, or light variegs.; state lowest price; approval, deposit cash with Editor: Apply T. Ross, Butcher, 24½, Catherine-st., Leicester. (117)

GOOD and cheap Crests; large clear body cock, dark, heavy Crest, 40/-, worth £5; marked ditto, 40/-; monster Grizzle Crested cock, 25/-; clear yellow Grizzle Crested cock, 21/-; monster Crested-bred cock, 12/6; clear body dark hen, good dark Crest, 30/-; splendid drooping Crested hen, 50/-; good Crested-bred hen, 15/-; ditto, 20/-; approval, cash or deposit: L. Charles, 18, Merton-rd., Norwich. (112)

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

has some grand Crest cocks and hens from 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; Crestbred hens, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; also some very good Crestbred cocks, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; week's approval, deposit: 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (115)

T. J. KING

Lovely clear yellow cock, large round light crest, 60/6; dark crested hen, 17/6; large yellow variegated Crestbred cock, make show bird, 40/6; large clear buff, one third coppy cock, 20/6; large heavily feathered variegated Crestbred hen, grand turnover, 40/6; large green Crested cock, Greenwood and Burson, closely related to their champion Crest, 40/6; yellow green Crestbred cock, grand turnover, 35/6; variegated Crestbred cock, 12/6; green Crestbred cock, good turnover, 20/6; large green Crested hen, 37/6; green Crested cock, 20/6; immense variegated cock, large dark crest, 50/6; capped variegated Crestbred cock, grand turnover, 40/6; ditto, winner, 50/6; large grey Crested hen, Broken wing, but now set, 15/6; worth 60/6; clear body dark Crested hen, lovely head, 60/6; evenly marked dark Crested hen, very large crest, 50/6; large green Crested hen, lovely crest, 50/6; Green Crested cock, 15/6; variegated dark Crestbred hen, 15/6; variegated Crestbred hen, 20/6; large clear buff Crestbred cock, 1st Cheltenham, £5; variegated dark Crest cock, large level crest, £3 10/6; small evenly marked cock from two show Crests, 12/6; large clear buff cock, superb grey crest, £5; large capped variegated Crestbred hen, £3; nearly green cock, heavy frontal crest, 35/6; buff cock, marked one wing, large cinnamon crest, winner several prizes, £5; short thick heavily feathered Crested hen, 30/6; ditto, 40/6; large green Crestbred cocks, 25/6, 30/6, 35/6; green Crestbred hen, good turnover, 25/6; capped flighted yellow Crestbred cock, show bird, 50/6; lovely green cock, show crest, beautifully correctly formed, certain winner, £10; variegated dark crest cock, 17/6; large saddle-marked dark Crest cock, 35/6; clear buff cock, very large grey crest, 40/6; grand yellow variegated Crestbred hen, 2nd L.C.B.A. last show, £10; large yellow green Crestbred cock, winner, £6; large yellow green Crested cock grand head, winner Cheltenham, £6 10/-; small variegated dark Crest hen, 10/6; superb buff cock, large spreading grey crest, £0; ticked buff cock, large dark crest, 25/6; clear buff Crestbred hen, 20/6; approval: T. J. King, Ingogo, Cheltenham.

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Lancashires.

LARGE massive Lancashires, Plainhead cocks 12/6, hens 10/6 each, ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (91)

LANCASHIRES wanted in exchange for sectional flight, packs flat, 64in. x 42in. x 30in., 25/- cash; no rubbish wanted nor offered; Joseph Booth, 69, Well-st., Fenton, Staffs. (111)

Lizards.

WANTED good breeding pair Lizards, healthy; will exchange two pairs roller skates, cost 30/- pair: Macara, 447, New City-rd., Glasgow.

LIZARDS, 1914, 10/6 pair; clear cap Gold cocks, 9/6 and 10/6; clear cap Gold hens, 4/6; all healthy and good: Wood, 20, North-rd., Hythe, Kent.

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Greens.

NORWICH Greens from 10/- each; matched pairs reasonable; no single yellow hens; stamp: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (117)

CHAMPION Norwich, winner outright G.C.A. cup, 3 firsts, second, etc., last Palace show; prices reasonable; stamp: L. F. Harding, 29a, Market-st., Wellingborough. (92)

TO make room for breeding, 1 pair Norwich greens, yellow green cock, cost £2, from Harding, of Wellingborough, and buff green hen, 30/- pair; approval: McWatt, Bonnybridge, Stirlingshire. (126)

KEEP your colour up by using green blood; unflighted Norwich cocks, greens or clears, 12/6, 15/6, 20/- upwards; hens, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; winning strain; approval willing, stamp: E. Ball, 220, Dunkirk-rd., Wigan. (113)

Norwich.

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J. HODDER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of championships at Palace, etc.; good typical birds at reasonable prices; approval, stamp: 6, Bannerst., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

FRANK F. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle. Breeder and exhibitor. Champion Norwich, two yellow cocks, 25/-, 20/-; six buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; all cheap to clear; inquiries solicited.

JUDGE SILK, 27, St. Michel's Rd., Aldershot, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich, winner at all leading shows; inspection invited; show and stock birds at reasonable prices; approval.

WANTED Norwich: Pearson, Greenwich. (124)

FIVE buff Norwich cocks, 1914, 7/- each: Miss F. Bird, Farcet, Peterhorough. (89)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

SEVERAL typical Norwich hens, 2/6 and 3/6: Parkyn, 18, Southampton-st., Fitzroy-sq., W. (112)

F. BUCKLEY for high-class Norwich buff cocks, only six left, 7/6 to £1: 30, Adderley-st., Coventry.

YELLOW cock, 20/-; buff cocks, 15/- and 10/-; few songsters, 5/- each: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (110)

GOOD var. yellow Norwich hen, 5/6; buff hen, 2/6; buff var., 2/6: Hallick, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (120)

NORWICH Canaries for sale; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; well bred: Davidson, 17, Sutherland-rd., Bow, E. (110)

NORWICH, healthy 1914 cold-room bred, cocks 6/6, hens 2/6: 38, Beversbrook-rd., Mercer's-rd., Holloway, N. (107)

FEW pairs high-class Norwich, from £1 pair; giving up; approval: McCallum, 49, Whitley-st., Reading. (110)

YELLOW hens, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-; buff hens 6/6, 7/6, 12/6, cash: Brewster, Monumental Works, Norwich. (111)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, has two very large buff Norwich cocks, 20/- each, mated to nice hen 30/-; approval.

YELLOW varieg. cock, 1st Shettleston, 20/-; other cocks and hens cheap to clear; Ward, 178, Main-st., Shettleston. (99)

SEVERAL well bred Norwich cocks and hens, cheap, seen any time: Chamberlain, 12, Beyer-st., Gorton, Manchester. (98)

TEN 1914 Norwich cocks, full song, 4/6 each; hens 2/3; approval anywhere: Morley, Balsham-rd., Linton, Cambs. (116)

NORWICH cocks, yellow and buff, from 10/-; hens from 8/-; approval, stamp: A. Pirie, 255, Montrose-st., Brechin. (112)

LARGE Norwich hens from 6/-, large Norwich cocks from 8/-; approval, stamp: Hendrie, 211, Montrose-st., Brechin. (112)

SEVERAL well-bred Norwich cocks and hens cheap, seen any time: R. Brown, 102, Cromwell-rd., Crosshill, Glasgow. (116)

SEVERAL pairs of variegated from 10/- a pair; also few greens, cheap: Walker, 197, Great Homer-st., Liverpool. (120)

NORWICH, must be sold: 2 yellow, 4 buff cocks, lot £3; approval, deposit: Kemp, Trefusis, Redruth, Cornwall. (116)

BUY from the breeder; Norwich cock from 7/6; hens from 5/-: Twine, 38, Carlingford-rd., Hucknall, Torkard, Notts. (92)

PRIZE bred Norwich cocks from 7/6; large heads; some winners, Barnes' strain; room wanted: Tripe, Parr-st., Exeter. (86)

LAST 3 pairs, 15/-, 20/-, and 30/-, 1914, from my winners, worth double: MacFadyen, 150, Churchplace, Barrhead. (123)

FEW good Norwich hens, 3/- each; also Crest and Crestbred hens, 4/- each: 24, Little Welbeck-st., Cavendish-sq., W. (112)

MR. C. F. INNES, Estate Factor, Largs, Ayrshire, offers a number of high-class Norwich, many winners; letters only. (48)

GOOD buff hen, 3rd Ilkeston, bargain, 20/-; would exchange yellow; no rubbish: Wilcox, Ivy Cottage, New Sawley, Derby. (111)

HALFORD, 10, Lismore-circus, Gospel Oak; cocks 6/-, hens 3/-; sex guaranteed; inspection invited; at home any time.

W. CROSLING has a nice pair of Norwich 1914 birds for sale, 15/-; also hens from 2/6 to 4/-: 5, Fern-st., Darlington. (52)

WANTED for cash, surplus stocks of Norwich for export; state particulars: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (109)

NORWICH cocks, yellow and buff from 8/6; hens from 4/6; unflighted: Laugridge, 17, Watson-st., Newington Green, N. (61)

LARGE healthy 1913 yellow Norwich cock, Bowyer direct; approval, cash or deposit: Eccles, Rhosmaedoc, Ruabon. (116)

NORWICH, good, also some fine Borders; selling out; single, or the lot, approval; stamp: Hampton, Dameree-rd., Brechin. (112)

TWENTY 1914 outdoor bred Norwich hen Canaries, in healthy condition; what offers: Murrell, 57, Bedford hill, Balham, S.W. (110)

FEW typical Norwich hens, cold room, from winners, 3/- to 4/- each, room wanted; approval: Brown, Derwent House, Holburn. (123)

NORWICH Plainheads; few grand pairs, 10/6, 12/6; cock, 6/-; hens, 3/6, 5/-; approval, stamp: Girling, Harford-st., Norwich. (125)

W. MILES, Aviaries, Chichester, has some grand Norwich show and stock birds for disposal; reasonable approval; state wants. (122)

GOOD cobby buff green hen and one variegated, only wants seeing, 4/6 each: Hadley, 1, Bolton Gardens, Kensal Rise, London. (114)

NORWICH cocks from 6/6 to 10/- each; hens, 2/- to 6/- each; cold room bred: W. Gilbert, 2, Cromwell-st., Red lane, Coventry. (113)

CHAMPION prize-bred Norwich cock, yellow, good type, grand stock bird, 7/6, cheap; bargain: Geo. Therwood, Leadmills, Mold. (122)

TWO grand Norwich 1913 hens, yellow and buff, 6/- each, 2 buff 1914 hens, 5/- each, offers lot; approval: H. Batty, Goodwick. (109)

MR. GEO. SHAW offers two real good 1913 hens, a yellow cap marked and a clear buff, at 10/- each: 11, Sandcliff-rd., Erith, Kent. (121)

NORWICH, colour-fed, clear buff cock, var yellow hen, pair 30/-; approval: Matthews, 25, Chatsworth-rd., Brislington, Bristol. (118)

YOUNG Norwich Canaries, fit for breeding, 10/6 pair; beautiful songsters, cocks, 5/-, hens 3/6; apply: Beckett, Bromerton, Norwich. (108)

MASSIVE clear yellow Norwich cock, fed, short light, exceptionally good head and neck, 20/-: Thomas, 237, High-rd., Leyton. (124)

TEN pairs good, healthy, well-bred Norwich Canaries, from 8/6 pair; approval, stamp reply: Inspector Green, Beccles, Suffolk. (113)

WANTED, Norwich in exchange for Swift's microscope and slides, cost over £9: S. B. Grayshon, Corn Mill-lane, Heckmondwike. (121)

THE whole of my stock for disposal, some grand birds; also cages; for particulars apply: S. Ward, 19 and 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico.

NINE cocks, ten hens left; nice birds, from winners; prices reasonable; stamp: Halhead, St. Helier, Foxley Hill-rd., Purley, Surrey. (113)

SEVERAL good yellow and buff Norwich cocks and hens from 7/6; see wins Carlisle and Glasgow: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle. (115)

FOR sale, a yellow cock and buff hen, 25/-; also var. yellow cock and buff hen, 20/-; great bargain: McNaughton, Duniface, Larbert. (36)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

FEW good quality, healthy, cold-room bred, 1914 Norwich cocks, 10/- each; also a few hens, 5/- each: "Ilchester," Wodeland-rd., Guildford. (109)

G. DOWELL, 4, Beer-st., Yeovil, has few good Norwich for sale; yellow cock, 10/-; buff cock, 8/6; yellow hens, 4/-; bulfs, 3/-; approval. (114)

FANCY given up; about 20 double breeders, disposal at 2/6 each; splendid condition; cheaper by lot: Lee, 158, Brockley-rd., Brockley. (110)

GOOD hardy Norwich Canaries, outdoor aviary yellows, bulfs, and variegated, cocks from 5/-, hens 2/6: Waterman, Syndale, Faversham. (85)

FEW good buff Norwich cocks and hens for disposal, cold room bred, cheap to clear: E. Harrison, 198, Harlesden-rd., Willesden Green. (113)

FOR sale, three Norwich cocks, 7/6 each; and one hen, 2/-; clear and variegated buffs, good strain: A. Toft, 77, Stanley-rd., Grays, Essex. (110)

1914 NORWICH yellow green cocks, also few buff greens, 5/-, 6/- each; approval, deposit: James Thompson, Station-rd., Horsehay, Salop. (119)

EXCEPTIONALLY good buff Norwich cock, in perfect condition, only 10/-, worth double: Williams, Bolgarrog Hotel, Tal-y-cafn, North Wales. (107)

REV. BENNETT has surplus Norwich from his prize strain; pairs from 10/6; approval; stamp reply: Papple, 24, Laurence-st., West Hartlepool. (81)

WELL bred Norwich, pairs from 25/-, single birds from 12/6, rare shape and quality, on approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (1994)

GRAND stock Norwich from winners, 6/6 up; hens 5/- up; 20 years breeder; approval with pleasure: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley. (80)

D. DEVOY, breeder and exhibitor at leading shows, offers large, typical, variegated buff hen, first Ayr, first Dumfries, 40/-: George-st., Stranraer. (123)

CLEARING out of Norwich, all related to my winners, pairs 15/-, grand buff cock, winner, £2; approval: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (120)

1914 NORWICH cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 8/6; size, substance, quality, bred from cup winners; approval: Harry Smith, Connah's Quay, Chester. (127)

NORWICH cocks and hens, splendid condition; also fine Crested cock; cheap for quick sale; seen any time at: 116, Queen's-rd., Finsbury Park. (110)

CLEAR buff mulling hens, Norwich type, 3/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (54)

BUFF cock, 10/6; two big buff hens, from aviary, 7/6 each, or exchange unflighted yellow cock, would add money: Dyson, 25, Wyndham-rd., Salisbury. (119)

COCK Norwich Canaries, 6/-; hens, 3/- each; good cock Goldfinch Mules, 9/-; cold-room bred: Arthur Ireland, Tibbywell-st., Painswick, Gloucestershire. (114)

NORWICH, clean, healthy, 7/6 pair, 5/- cocks, full song; exchange two pairs for pair Crest, Crestbred: Hardiman, Carey's Cotages, Brockenhurst. (119)

CHAMPION Norwich, cocks or hens, very large, grand type, judge of many shows; reasonable, approval: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (111)

ONE pair good Norwich wanted in exchange for suit length and complete set trimmings, value 25/-; patterns submitted: 12, Sydney-st., Brighton. (127)

UNEVEN marked buff hen, winner 2nd open class, sound in health, good breeder and feeder, 15/-; approval: A. Bounds, 50, Melville-st., Northampton. (116)

NORWICH, yellow and buff, variegated cocks, yellow and buff variegated hens, for disposal, reasonable prices: G. Murray, 18, Wellington-st., Montrose. (87)

CHOICE buff hens, grand type and quality, 5/-, 6/-, 7/- each to clear, room wanted; approval with pleasure; deposit: Garner, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (111)

NORWICH for disposal, yellow cocks, 8/6, 10/6; buff hens, 3/6, 1913-1914 birds, good quality; approval, deposit: Burchell, 2, High-rd., Chadwell Heath, Essex. (121)

SALE, 4 Norwich cocks, 20/-, 5/6 each; 7 nice Norwich hens, 20/-, 3/- each; cock Linnet Mule, 6/6; useful exchange: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (121)

MASSIVE thick-set deeply fed unflighted buff Norwich cock, recently won three honours; accept 12/6; great sacrifice: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (126)

OVERSTOCKED with non-flight Buff cock, grand type and quality, breeding condition; very reasonable prices: Tomsett, S.N.P.C., 34, Endwell-rd., Brockley. (110)

HIGH class Norwich; having bought all H. Walton's stock, cocks 7/-, 10/-, 15/-, hens 6/-, 10/-, 12/- and upwards: A. Riley, No. 43, Lower Church Gate, Leicester. (117)

NORWICH; a few high-class birds from 12/6 pair; kept cold room; over 30 years' breeder; on approval: Sidgwick, Elwick-terrace, Hutton Rudby, Yorkshire. (90)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-; also a few pure Roller hens, Rochl's strain; genuine: Miss Mellonabl, Meadow Bank, St. Leonard's-on-Sea. (125)

C. ROBERTS, 25 years breeder winning Norwich; pairs large chubby birds, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-; single birds from 10/6; approval: Stanahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (125)

HAVING selected own breeding stock, can spare one or two good pairs, also a few good unflighted buff cocks; approval: T. H. Mason, 11, Victoria-sq., Ella-st., Hull. (113)

THOMAS HERBERT, 35, Southst., Redditch, offers, to clear, large buff cock, 20/-; two yellow cocks, 15/- 7/6; three yellow hens, 6/6, 5/6, 4/6; approval, deposit (122)

FOR disposal, 6 pairs of well bred Norwich, price £1 per pair; all are 1911 bred, of good quality, and typical birds, approval willingly: Withers, 21, Oxford rd., Ealing (111)

NORWICH buff cocks, good size and quality, one unflighted, 10/; one unflighted, 14/-; one, year old, 16/-; would exchange the three for good yellow cock; mutual approval: Neuer, Dulwyn-rd., Swansea. (115)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each; satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

GOOD Norwich cock wanted; exchange Modern Game Black-red Bantam cock, winner, Black-red hen, Wheaten hen, winner; approval: Fuller, 216, Mill-rd., Kettering. (109)

SEVEN good buff and two yellow unflighted Norwich cocks, winning strain, 7/- to 20/- each; approval, cash or deposit: James Wilson, 31, Suttonst., Norton Malton. (123)

NORWICH pairs, yellow cock, bulf variegated hen, 20/-; buff cock, yellow hen, unflighted, 20/-; approval; stamp reply: Calderwood, 65, St. Andrew-st., Kilmarnock, Scotland. (126)

NORWICH cock and hen, buffs, cost 30/-; exchange pair of Yorkshires to value; three cocks, smaller, 6/- each; exchange: Street, 5, Edward-st., Hemsworth, Wakefield. (112)

IF you cannot suit yourself elsewhere with the right type of Norwich buff cocks or hens for stock, from 8/- to 20/-, approval, write to Symons Bros., Melbourne, Liskeard, Cornwall. (109)

BIG variegated 1914 buff Norwich cock, large head, bred from my winning green, 30/-, or exchange a good Norwich young yellow hen; approval: Jeyes: 27, Herbert st., Northampton. (118)

ONLY a few more pairs left; no better blood in the Fancy; prices reasonable to clear; on approval cash or deposit: John Hagon, 39, Double-row, Seaton Delavel, Northumberland. (125)

J. LITCHFIELD, 32, Tennyson-rd., Luton, winner of Eads cup and Norwich cup outright at Luton, has some grand birds to dispose of, cocks from 3/6; hens from 5/-; approval. (95)

PRIZE bred Norwich for disposal, winner of over 50 prizes, also Middlesex Cup for 1914; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; approval; cold room: William Phipps, 16, Millplatt, Isleworth. (114)

JAMES STARK absolute winner of the Norwich Amateur Challenge Cup, can spare yellow or buff cock, price 10/6, 12/6; monster buff cock, 15/-; hens from 7/6; 110, Oak-st., Norwich. (117)

WANTED, thick-set colour fed Norwich (yellow preferred) of either sex for cash or exchange gent.'s rolled gold watch, new, value 35/-: Edgley, 491, Grove Green, Leytonstone. (126)

HOLDEN'S champion Norwich, the best strain in the North; large yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 40/- each; hens, 10/- to 40/- each; three days' approval; cash: 59, Hartington-st., Gateshead. (125)

MR. ECKERSLEY has very few left to spare now; unflighted buff, perfect type, 10/- only; very shapely marked yellow hen, 10/-; charming buff hen, 20/-: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (95)

BUFF cock, 25/-, show bird, several other buff cocks and two yellow hens, from 7/6; unflighted, carefully bred from the very best blood; approval: H. J. Barnbury, Preston-rd., Yeovil. (109)

WM. BOWYER, Glade-one-st., Leek, Staffs., can spare Norwich from one of the oldest and most reliable strains in the Fancy; cocks from 10/-; grand lot of hens from 5/-; approval. (122)

MONSTER buff variegated hen, 10/-; buff cock, 12/6; both one year bred; unflighted buff cock, 3rd prize, Vale of Leven, 15/-; approval, deposit: Davidson, 55, Princess-st., Helensburgh. (122)

FOR sale, Norwich unflighted yellow and buff hens, grand type and quality, related to my winners, 10/- each; deposit, Editor; approval willingly: Kelsall, 655, Oldham-rd., Bardsley, Ashton-u-Lyne. (69)

I HAVE some splendid young Norwich, natural colour and colour fed, hens 2/-, 2/6 upwards, cocks 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6; two monsters, 12/6 each: Syd. Mottersole, 20, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (127)

SCHOFIELD, Saddler, Ipswich, offers 15 pairs 1914 high-class Norwich, bred from prize winners, from 10/6 to 40/-; cocks from 8/6, hens from 4/6; see report Eastern Counties last week; approval. (121)

1913 VARIEGATED buff cocks, good clears and ticks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; 1914 buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; few 1914 buff hens, 6/-; approval, stamp: Irons, Ivy-rd., Northampton. (98)

GOOD Norwich, Bellamby's prize strain; special prices to make room for breeding; good cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/-; all sound, healthy, bred outdoor bird-room: Pilbeam, 13, Garden-rd., Tunbridge Wells. (109)

HARLAND'S champion Norwich for disposal, yellow and buff cocks (unflighted), 15/-, 17/6, 20/- each; also few good pairs, matched, 20/-, 25/-, and 30/- pair; exchange: Geo. Horland, 63, Welbeck-st., Hull. (123)

I AM to further reduce my stock of Norwich by two pairs, and offer them 35/- and 50/-; these were selected for my own use, and a decided bargain; approval: Smith, Stronvar, Balquhidder, Perthshire. (111)

UNFLIGHTED yellow var. cock, 25/-; ditto clear buff cock, 12/-; ditto clear buff hen, 10/-; 3 1913 buff var. cocks, 12/6 each; ditto buff var. hen, 7/6; approval: P. Ironston, 81, Willowbank Crest, Glasgow. (124)

UNFLIGHTED clear yellow cock, grand head and size, 20/-; unflighted variegated yellow cock, 15/-; one year-old yellow cock, 20/-; the above grand birds are worth double: A. Scott, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster. (112)

A. MOORMAN offers typical pair Norwich from winners, good heads; Mar. unflig. yell. cock, clear buff hen (Baker's), 30/-; clear yell. cock (Baker's), unflig. buff hen, 20/-; approval: Carisbrooke, Wight. (115)

CHAMPION clear Norwich Crestbreds, 5/-; Plainhead pairs 7/-; lovely pair Bullfinches 3/-; house moulted Cheveral Goldie, 7/-; lovely Goldie, 3/-; approval, stamp reply: Carwell Cooke, Wavendon, Bucks. (115)

RARE chance to improve stock; extra large yellow and buff Norwich cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, 30/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-, 20/- each; 7 days approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (54)

MISS GWYN has splendid clear buff cock, 1913, 25/-; clear yellow cock, 21/-; has won yellow and buff hens, also winners, 15/6 each; other cocks from 9/-; hens from 7/6; approval: Somerville, N. avenue, Ramsgate. (110)

CAREFULLY bred Norwich from high-class stock, full bodied unflighted buff cock, 10/-; good headed yellow, 12/6; typical high quality yellow, 17/6; all worth more: H. Norman, Bird Artist, The "Eyrie," Carshalton. (119)

A. L. HAWKES has three exceptionally large massive framed buff Norwich hens, perfect models and worth £2 2/- each for either stock or exhibition; accept 10/- each, approval: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (126)

A. FLEET, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Norwich, can spare magnificent buff cock, winner of two first, five 2nd, open shows, £2, unflighted yellow var. hen, 15/-, or pair £2 10/-: 16, King's-rd., Upton Park. (117)

CLEAR buff cock, 10/6, ticked yellow hen, 7/6, or 15/- the pair, yellow ticked cock, 12/6, clear buff hen, 5/-, or 1/- the pair; ticked buff cock, lovely feather, 15/-; clear yellow hen, 7/6, or £1 the pair, approval, deposit: Whent, Butcher, Shoeburyness. (123)

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HY. HUGGINS can spare a few choice Norwich in yellow and buff cocks and hens; one nice clear buff hen, year old, a beauty, 7/6, also nice variegated yellow hen, unflighted, 10/-; approval; stamp: 40, Tabor-st., Burnley. (117)

G. W. WELSH can spare few grand Norwich cocks and hens, including very large varieg. buff cock, winner, £3; winning clear buff hen, 30/-; several others, same strain, from 7/6; approval willingly: 42, Reform-st., Stamford. (112)

E. BAKER'S strain; grand buff cock, son of my rosehowl winner, 15/6; short stout yellow variegated hen, 11/6; massive large headed buff hen, 12/6; large yellow stock cock, little rough, 8/6: E. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (113)

A REAL bargain, and just what you want; large rich yellow fed Norwich cock, splendid substance and fine head, typical bird, cost double last year, sell for 12/6; approval: Holme, 26, Hillside-rd., Streatham Hill, London. (111)

NORWICH, absolute sale, the whole of my big, massive, typical birds, bulfs and yellows, winners and bred from winners, cocks from 8/-, hens from 3/6, worth double; approval: Silver, 92, Richmond-rd., Earls Court, London. (120)

GRAND Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- upwards; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- upwards; cold-room 1914 matched pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, cash; approval, deposit: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester; close to Midland Station. (118)

LOOK; something for next to nothing, to clear immediately; six yellow and buff cocks, 6/6, 7/6; one yellow cock, 15/-; one ditto, good substance, etc., 20/-; all unflighted; no hens; see wins Llanelly, etc.: Davies, 24, College-hill, Llanelly. (113)

FEW pairs of prize-bred Norwich for sale cheap; buff cock, yellow hen, 14/6; yellow cock, buff hen, 15/6; buff cock, yellow hen, 17/6; short thick-set buff cock, beauty, 18/6; all colour fed: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (122)

VERY massive buff cock, grand stock bird, 40/-; large yellow hen, 40/-; 70/- the pair; certain to breed champions; odd hens from 7/6; buff cock, 20/-; also cages, etc., for sale: Goodman, 24, Bedford-rd., Kempston, Bedford. (126)

GRAND yellow and buff Norwich cocks, 8/6, 10/6, and 15/-; yellow and buff hens, 7/6, 10/6; 1914 birds, cold-room bred, all colour fed; bred from the late J. Harper's winners; cash or deposit: Mrs. Harper, 14, Napier-terrace, Walsoken, Wisbech. (116)

MR. HAWKES offers very large, massive framed deep fed buff Norwich cock, real gem all over, 17/6; worth treble; also deep fed yellow cock of equal merits, but shade small, 15/-; both in faultless condition; approval: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (126)

WELL bred Norwich, breeding condition; cocks, yellows, 9/-, 10/-, 12/6; bulfs, 8/-, 12/6; hens, yellows, 5/-, 7/6, bulfs 3/-, 5/-, 7/6; 2 fine big buff cocks, 15/- each, small cocks 6/6, hens 2/6; seen by appointment: Hooker, 90, Ellingham-rd., Harringay, N. (114)

J. TRISTEM, winner 600 prizes, cups, etc., including Bristol challenge cup outright this season; offers this week only; yellow cock and buff hen, 60/-; buff cock and yellow hen, 40/-; rare pairs to breed winners; two buff hens, 15/- each: 24, Meridian-place, Clifton, Bristol. (115)

GRAND unflighted yellow Norwich cock, good head and neck, good size, red-hot colour, can win, price 15/-, a real good buff hen to match, a bargain at 7/6, or 20/- the pair; certain to breed winners; 6 days' approval, cash or deposit: Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (120)

PRIZE bred Norwich for sale; clear yellow hen, 1912 bred, 20/-; yellow var. hen, 1913 bred, 15/-; clear buff hen, 1914 bred, 10/-; the above are all well bred, of good type and quality, all won prizes; approval to known fanciers: Macdonald, Glenoran, Beauly, Inverness-shire. (116)

BIG-HEADED birds are difficult to get, small-headed birds rarely breed winners. Here is your chance. Two yellow, two buff non-flight cocks, grand heads, show birds bred from my winners, full of quality, typical, and right in colour; bargains, 21/- each; room wanted: Brown, 35, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (123)

PRIZE BRED Norwich hens for sale; large var. buff (B.L. ring), £1; clear buff (B.L. ring), 10/-; large yellow hens, 15/- each; 1913 and 1914 bred, typical specimens, good heads, short flights and tail, sent on approval; money returned if not satisfied: Wickham, Boatswain and Call, Rainham-rd., Chatham. (118)

EXCEPTIONAL bargains for classical birds; clear buff cock, a giant in size, good chest, close feathered, grand head and neck, a show bird all through, will suit the most fastidious fancier, £3 10/-; his brother, quite equal, except in wing carriage, £2; another similar cock, not quite so large or good in head, but a bouncing bird, 12/6, clear yellow cock, perfect giant, rare chest, but rather rough in feather, 21/-; approval, cash or deposit, nice matched pair, and useful stock birds, 12/6: L. Charles, 18, Merton-rd., Norwich. (112)

N. McGINN has got unflighted yellow cock, 15/-; two buffs, 25/- each; one buff, 15/-, bred 1913; yellow marked cock, 15/-; two buff cocks, 20/- each; one very large yellow-marked cock, good head and neck, £2; one yellow marked hen, 30/-; inspection invited; approval, stamped reply: 12, Airey Terrace, Walker-on-Tyne. (123)

CHAMPION pair, correctly matched, high class exhibition Norwich Plainheads, rare size, type, colour and quality, winner and certain to breed winners in keenest competition, only 27/6; honestly worth £3 for stock alone; rare chance for beginner, genuine bargain; approval. Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (114)

1913 BRED, buff Norwich cock, one of the best heads ever seen on a Norwich, nice type, good size and substance, a real stock bird, price 20/-, worth double, with a good unflighted yellow Norwich hen grand quality, 10/-, the pair only 27/6, a real chance for a good start; 6 days' approval, cash or deposit Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford (120)

S. N. TAYLOR having decided to reduce his selected breeding stock, has typical Norwich pairs to part with, bred from exhibition birds, unrelated 1913 ticked buff cock, good head, neck, finest quality; clear yellow unflighted hen, grand shape, real gem, £1 5s. the pair; others equally as good, either in pairs, from 17/6; or single cocks from 12/6; hens, 5/-; approval: 49, Oldbury-rd., Smethwick. (112)

GRAND winning Norwich at the Eastern Counties Show, Ipswich, Dec. 26. I won four 1sts, one 2nd, two 3rds, Simpson's cup for best 1914 rung Norwich; see report last week; clear buff cock, cup winner, 45/-; broken yellow green cock, 17/6; five pairs from 20/-; all unflighted and own breeding; state wants; cash or deposit; approval, stamp: Clarke, 69, Felixstowe-rd., Ipswich. (114)

MARTIN COOK offers genuine Plainheads, free from Crest blood, possessing type, quality and size; winner 7 guinea cup outright and hundreds of cash prizes; all birds cold-room kept; cocks, including unflighted yellow or buff, 10/- upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; have supplied winners Bournemouth, Boscombe, Bristol, Reading this year; approval, deposit; some useful pairs, suit amateurs, 12/6 upwards; state requirements: 17, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth. (99)

E. BAKER, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, one of the best studs in the world, winner of 14 cups, 7-guinea shield, 25-guinea bowl, salad bowls, gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas for best Norwich at Crystal Palace, two L. and P.O. challenge cups won outright at Palace, etc.; also hundreds of other prizes too numerous to mention; some good birds, single and pairs, for sale at very reasonable prices; those who were disappointed last year should write at once: Victoria Aviaries, 13 and 14, High-st., Cowes, I.W.

OWING to removal from Whitstable I must sell a great number of my champion Norwich. Have some grand matched pairs at £1 per pair, several pairs 40/-, no higher prices; grand yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 30/-, hens 10/- to 25/-, no bounce here. The right sort, and the finest strain living; approval; note change of address of England's premier Norwich breeder and exhibitor: Judge Silk, 27, St. Michaels-rd., Aldershot.

TYPICAL NORWICH HENS

Clear and marked buff and yellow hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (94)

POWICK'S CHAMPION NORWICH

Large typical Norwich; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury.

YELLOW NORWICH HENS

Good unflighted hens, yellow and buff, good quality and reliable, can be used in any room with confidence, parents cost high prices, 7/6 each; also yellow cock, can win, 15/-; two good young C.B. hens, 15/- and 20/- each; approval: Broadhead, Grocer, Derby-st., Macclesfield. (112)

WHERE SHALL I BUY?

That is a buyer's problem. I should be glad to send you any on approval, and you would then be the judge; and if you are not pleased return bird and your money will be sent in full. All my own breeding. Bonny yellow cock and extra cobby buff hen (unflighted), capital pair, 20/-; wing marked buff cock, fine shape and quality feather, with yellow hen (unflighted), short and clean, 25/- pair; unflighted yellow cock, model type, and extra good feather, with rare sized unflighted buff hen, specially good head, 31/- pair; grand unflighted yellow cock, one with some size, 27/6; a few pairs from 15/6; single yellow or buff cocks from 10/6: W. Hudson, 117a, Gibbet-st., Halifax, Yorks. (117)

R. HANFORD, DERBY

offers splendid collection Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; correctly matched pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; value and satisfaction guaranteed; full list and approval; terms free.

THE RIGHT STUFF

Johnson, Norwich and Yorkshire Specialist, winner at all leading shows; better blood unobtainable; grand specimens to spare, both varieties, at reasonable prices; inspection invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 55, George-st., Leeds. (49)

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

can still supply pure Norwich cocks 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; also some good yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; week's approval, deposit: Apply 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (115)

SELLING OFF

All my noted Norwich buff three pairs, owing to removal, buff cock and hens, good size, grand heads, 10/- upwards; no single yellow hens; yellow cocks, beauties, 15/- upwards; approval; stamp: Rev. Nunn, Harrington, Cumberland. (119)

H. VALENTINE

winner of over thirty prizes and medals from my last season's breeding. I have just seven birds to clear to make room for breeding. Monster 1912 stock buff cock, bred winners, 12/6; four unflighted buff and two yellow hens, 8/6 each; all closely related to my numerous winners, and worth double: Address, St. Mary's, Bedford. (118)

NORWICH FOR SALE

8 pairs well matched, and good bred birds for sale, 5/-, 10/-, 15/- per pair, all 1914 bred, quality and type of the best, cold-room bred; also singing cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; feeding hens, 5/6 each; all in the pink of condition; approval, willingly; private breeder, Kington St. Michael, Chippenham, Wilts. (120)

J. C. BARNES

Norwich specialist, 25 years study, winner of many cups, etc., including Sheffield Challenge Cup (three years in succession); can spare few grand specimens, true type, A1 quality and colour, plenty of substance and correct carriage; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; several extra good pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

WICKS BROS., NORWICH

offer real tip-top, reliable songsters, specially selected (week's approval), at 6/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; pairs, correctly matched, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6; grand yellow and buff cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/- each upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 10/-; state wants. (98)

100 PURE-BRED NORWICH

Direct from last few year's Crystal Palace strains, have proofs; yellows or buff cocks 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/- to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Breeder, Preston, and 89, Sclater-st., London.

Champion Norwich Plainheads

I have the finest stock of Norwich for sale in Bradford. Call and see them if you don't believe me. Real Bullfinch type and for size and quality cannot be beaten; grand colour-fed cocks, in full song, at 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; some lovely hens, to match, at 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Proper y matched pairs at 10/- upwards, and a few special pairs at 20/-, 30/-, 40/- a pair. These are the birds for good heads and short cobby specimens; sure to produce winners; all cold room bred; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit Editor; inspection invited: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (102)

Champion Winning Norwich.

I can offer some of the finest birds in the Fancy. This strain has won all over England and Scotland this season, and for me at the Welsh National, Scottish National, L.C.B.A., Watford, Reading, Woolstone, Portsmouth, etc., See reports in CAGE BIRDS. Good cocks, yellows and buffs, 15/- to 80/-; Hens, 7/6 to 40/-; Matched Pairs, that will breed winners, 20/- to 80/-. All birds on approval, or inspection invited. C. W. SILK, Glen Rosa, Emsworth. (110)

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's). 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

J. DIMMOCK, Glucke and Waterglucke Rollers, same strain as my cup winner, from 12/-, B.R.C.C. rung: 49, Providence-st., Cradley Heath.

RHODE'S Gluck and Water Gluck, Randall's strain direct, B.R.C.C. rung, winners of cups, gold, silver, bronze medals; cocks from 15/-; hens, 5/-; approval: 40, James-st., Bilston. (90)

MISS THOMAS, Breeder and Trainer, Seifert Rollers, finest strain, only masters, also hens: Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (75)

WANTED Rollers: Pearson, Greenwich. (124)

ROLLER cocks, in song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (119)

MR. U. F. INNES, Estate Factor, Largs, Ayrshire, offers a few superior Roller cocks, 12/6, 15/-; letters only. (48)

DEEP glucke bred hens, Tomlinson's strain direct, Club rung, 4/- each: Macready, Jeweller, Stranraer. (123)

TWO pairs Rollers, cold-room bred, full song, bargains, 7/6 per pair: George Baxter, Highfield, Fochabers.

THREE young pure Roller hens, grand condition, 3/6 each: Hedley, 32, Normanton-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (110)

1914 SCHOOLMASTER Roller, with good variety of song, breeding condition, 12/6: Taylor, Northam-rd., Bideford.

BRITISH Rollers, 1914, in perfect condition; cocks, in full song, 7/6; hens, 2/6: King, Seacliffe, Royal-rd., Ramsgate. (116)

FOUR first-class Roller cocks, full song, 6/- each, 23/- lot; hens, 2/- each: Baker, 67, Cambridge-rd., Kilburn, N.W.

WALTON'S champion glucke water glucke strain cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/-, 7/6: Walton, 6, Cross Green-crescent, Leeds. (122)

PURE Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, 1 cock, 3 hens, 14/-, good strain: J. Kynaston, 23, Rippingham-rd., Withington, Manchester. (105)

HIGH-CLASS B.R.C.C. Rollers, must sell, owner Mr. Press, on active service; enquire: Earnshaw, 51, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (77)

PURE Seifert Rollers, own breeding, cocks in full song, 7/6; hens 2/6; condition perfect: Shepherd-Smith, Colwall, Malvern. (73)

HIGH-CLASS Roller hens, 2/- each; grand cock, 9/-; three handsome Norwich cocks, 6/- each: 20, Goldsmith-rd., Peckham.

ENGLISH Rollers, cold-room bred, strong, healthy birds; cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/- each: John Thomas, 19, Albert-st., Canton, Cardiff. (114)

HIGH CLASS cock Canaries, all on full song, 7/6 each, 33/- for six; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (69)

ROLLERS, Rochl strain hens, 4/6, two cocks 12/6 each; approval, deposit: L. Wade, 65, Brading-rd., Brixton Hill (dealers only). (116)

MUST sell immediately, good pair unrelated Glucke Rollers, perfect health, 8/6: E. Sandalls, 2, Gt. Western-rd., Cheltenham. (118)

TWO lovely variegated Randall-Rochl Roller cocks, full song, 12/6 and 15/-; hen, 3/6: Corbett, Midland Station, Wath-on-Dearne. (116)

FEW deep Glucke Rollers, related to winners; cocks 10/6, hens 5/6 approval: Parker, 12, Friston-st., Lodgwood, Birmingham. (97)

ROLLERS, Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, hens 4/-, or exchange: Eccleston, 48, Merridale-st., Wolverhampton. (93)

NOTICE.—Grand Jap Rollers full song; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Isle Douglas. (45)

BARGEN'S Glucke and water Glucke Roller cocks, from 10/6 upwards; hens, 3/6 each; approval: John Wyre, Colley Lane, Cradley, Staffs. (118)

ROBUST Yorkshire breeding sweet rolling songsters; cocks, 4/-; hens, 2/- to 4/-; no better birds: Merthyr. (116)

FEW handsome Hartz Mountain Roller cock Canaries, grand songsters, 4/-; two, 7/6; hens, 2/3, two 4/-: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (124)

EIGHT Roller hens, 6 single breeders, rack, flight, mahogany cage, £2, or exchange: Williams, 49, Frederick-rd., Beech Lanes, Birmingham. (121)

HIGH class Roller hens, cold room bred, 3s. each, two for 5/-; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Britton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (97)

EXCHANGE watch and chain, good timekeeper, for three Norwich hens, or four Roller hens, sell 12/-; approval: 155, Old Fallow, Cannock. (118)

I CAN now spare a few good stock cocks, all B.R.C.C. rung, 1914, cheap to clear, 7/6, 8/6; hens 4/- each: Roe, 50, Sedgwick-st., Preston. (95)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Foulds' strain, cocks 6/-, hens 2/-, worth double; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (105)

GRAND Seifert Rollers, Randall's strain, lovely songsters, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6; cold-room bred; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (36)

TWO Seifert Rollers for stock, noted strain, 15/- the two; or exchange wood for cage making to value: Parkes, 8, Green-lane, Blackheath, Birmingham. (125)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 4/-; 7 days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (33)

SIX 1914 pure Seifert Rollers, own breeding, in cold room, 10/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, deposit: H. E. Fletcher, 21, Curzon-st., Derby. (118)

MATCHED pair cinnamon-marked Rollers, 1913, proved good breeders, large birds, cock sings incessantly, £1 pair: approval: Reynolds, High-st., Stourbridge. (121)

HIGH-CLASS 1914 Glucke Rollers, pure Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/6, hens 4/-; approval, cash or deposit: F. G. Martin, 43, Park-rd, Wellingborough. (12)

1913 PURE Randall cock, rung 8/6; 2 hens, ditto, 3/- each; 4 young cocks, from same, 7/- each; 2 hens, 2/6 each; White, 8, Conduit-st., Upper Clapton, N.E. (119)

ROLLERS, hens, 15/- dozen, two for 3/6; also 1 have very fine lot of cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; full week's approval: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (53)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers for sale, the same as my winners at all the leading shows last year; cocks 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens 5/-: Best, 5, Almaplace, Beckett-st., Leeds. (79)

ROLLERS, B4 rung, cocks 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each: approval; bred from my cup winner International and Bacup, 1914: Broadbent, 89, Alverthorpe-rd., Wakefield. (94)

CLEARING out high-class Seifert Rollers; cocks in full song, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6; seven days' approval, cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Bradford. (126)

GLUCKE and water Glucke Rollers; Schoolmaster, 20/-; other good cocks, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; all one strain and 1914 rung; approval, deposit: Smith, 19, Lichfield-rd., Newinvention, Wolverhampton. (114)

handsome Goldfinch cock Mules, full song, 7/6 each.

GLUCKE Rollers, Randall's strain; cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 4/-; or accept offer for ten pairs, all B.R.C.C. rung, all bred from winners: Nicholls, Claremont Villa, Dawson-rd., Kingston-on-Thames.

COLE'S champion Glucke Rollers, cocks 10/- upwards, hens 4/-; or exchange, guaranteed same strain as my Palace gold medal and cup winners at principal shows: G. Cole, 14, Sunninghill-terrace, Llanelly.

ROLLERS, B4 rung, Stock birds, 15/-; one 10/6; hens, 5/-; two for 9/-; contest singers, 20 points Bacup, 20/-; 18 points Manchester, 18/-; approval, deposit: Smith, 11, Disley-st., Sudden, Rochdale. (121)

ROLLERS, grand lot, in full song, cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; come and hear them; full week's approval; hens, 2/6, 3/6; Roller shutter cages, 2/9, 5/-; training cages, 2/6: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (120)

THREE cock Rollers, Seiferts, singing grand, 6/6 each, unflighted; twelve hens, same strain, 2/- each, 20/- for lot; lengthy cock Yorkshire, has bred winners, 10/-: Collins, 57, Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (119)

HIGH class Glucke Rollers, cold room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 to clear; hens all sold; approval, cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (95)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred: cocks 10/6, 12/6, and 15/6; hens, same strain, from 4/- upwards; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-terrace, Bradford-rd., Batley, Yorks. (121)

THREE high-class glucke hens, Christy's champion winning strain, sacrifice 4/6 each; will exchange them with extra cash for Seifert Roller Schoolmaster; no rubbish offered or wanted: Edmondson, 5, Water Heys-terr., Wigan. (127)

ROLLER hens ready for nesting; clear, 3/6; ROLLER hens ready for breeding, 10/6; clear cock, singing, 10/6; cock Bullfinch, 5/-; Chaffinch, 2/6; Zebrafinch 2/6; all h.m.; Chaffinch, 5/-; Zebrafinch 2/6; all h.m.; cock Bullfinch, 5/-; Chaffinch, 2/6; Zebrafinch 2/6; all h.m.; ditto, 5/-: 160, Brooke-rd., N. (124)

PURE Randall glucke Rollers, a few good birds for breeding, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each; no flat glucke; for breeding, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each; no flat glucke; exchange poultry, oats, wheat, barley, pig feed, or anything useful: Harrison, Fruiterer, Churchrd., Bradmore, Wolverhampton. (124)

A. GOODING has several Glucke and Water Glucke 1914 cock birds for sale from 10/6; bred from prize birds; hens 3/6 to 12/6; all rung; approval willingly; member of B.R.C.C.: 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (100)

CAN spare two 1913 water glucke cocks, good stock birds, Mr. Randall's own breed, 25/- each; young cock, 4th Bacup, 23 points, 35/-; few hens, 7/6 each; all birds breeding condition; approval.—Sauter, 1, Rosemary-rd., Peckham, S.E. (126)

HAVING selected my breeding stock, I can now supply a few good high-class water Glucke hens, B.R.C.C. rung, 1914, all bred from winners, 4/- each; 7/6 couple, honestly worth double; approval: Wignall, 203, Ribbleton Lane, Preston. (956)

J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner seven cups, 25 silver and bronze medals, has for sale few of his champion strain Roller Canaries, cocks 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-; hens 7/6, 10/- each; also few Roller birds: prices moderate; approval.

FEW extra good English bred Rollers (Dimmock's direct), full song day and gas light, glucke and water glucke strain, 10/6, 12/6, and 15/- each; hens, 2/6 and 3/6; travelling cages, 3d.; approval, as usual: W. Gore, Goodrich-st., Birmingham. (126)

PURE Randall's water Glucke strain, last few this season, 1914 Club rung; cocks, 15/- upwards; winners cheap; cash or "C.B." deposit; satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded: Hoyle, 19, Chapel-st., Chorley (late of Grimsargh). Member B.R.C.C. (113)

YOUR last chance; can spare a few selected hens of my noted Glucke and Water Glucke strain, 4/- each, 7/6 couple, not half value; all bred from my own winners and B.R.C.C. rung, 1914; none better; cocks sold; approval, deposit: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (119)

Don't be Deluded

By absurd exaggerations and empty bounce, but have a genuine and reliable Bird on approval, and let your own ear be the judge. Note following price. **I hear every bird go through its song personally,** hence each is tested before being sent out, and having been in my time an amateur instrumentalist and vocalist, I deem myself competent to know their value, so no bird is sold by guess work. Some very highly trained birds of best strains known; cocks, **10/6, 15/-, 20/-;** hens, **2/6, 3/6,** and **5/-,** in finest breeding condition. Other cocks, **5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6;** Hens, **1/3, 1/6, 2/-;** cages, **3d.—W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.**

1913 ROLLER, sings Glucke, Glucko roll, water Glucke, nice hollow tours, 15/-; 1914 cock, nice Glucke, etc., 15/-, 7/6; hens, sisters to my winners of 5 cups, numerous medals, and other prizes, 5/- each to clear; exchange anything: A. Harper, 2, Cooper-st., Bilston, Staffs. (111)

MR. LESTER has a number of young cocks and hens of pure Randall blood to dispose of, also several 1913 imported cocks, at most reasonable prices, cocks from 15/- to 30/-, hens 5/- and 7/6; approval willingly, limited number only, free packing: 753, Lea Bridge-rd., Walthamstow, Essex. (120)

ALL wins this season: first, cup, he, c. Rossendale; ex. first, special, Bolton; ex. fourth, vhc, Manchester; vhc, Birmingham; 7th, he, and special for Roller International last week; some of the above, and brothers to same, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-: Wantling, 32, Co-operation-st., Bacup, Manchester. (113)

H. POWELL won 1st and special at International London last week, the 19th and 20th February; other wins: ex. 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd, ex. 3rd, 4th, 4th, 4th, and 14 special prizes, including silver medals at Midland, Provincial, and Bolton shows, and 2nd team class, City of Birmingham; cocks from 30/-, hens 12/6: 381, High-st., West Bromwich. (113)

BRITISH-BRED Rollers; pure Seiferts, Randall's glucke and water glucke strains, perfectly train'd cocks, in full rolling song, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; hardwood cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/- each; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn.

GENUINE ROLLERS.

Some very highly trained birds of best strains known; cocks, **10/6, 15/-, 20/-;** hens, **2/6, 3/6** and **5/-** in finest breeding condition. Other cocks, **6/6, 7/6, 8/6;** hens, **2/-.** These are offered as good value, but without any "gum." Cages, **3d.—W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.**

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Having purchased the entire stock of a very successful breeder, I am in a special position to offer exceptional value in high-class Rollers. Every bird I can guarantee bred from a well-known and successful strain of contest Rollers. I am offering these birds at the following prices:—Cocks in full rolling song, with many changes of tours, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each; hens 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each; matched breeding pairs 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- per pair; all birds sent on 10 days' approval at my sole risk; satisfaction guaranteed; terms cash, or deposit with Editor: Joe Thomas, Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks.

REAL ROLLERS

Highly trained under real schoolmasters, imported direct from Belgium to London shop, good as any that ever came in England; fit for any palace; price 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; hens 1/9 and 2/-, two 3/-; Roller cages 2/-, 2/6 each, beauties. Wholesalers, write for terms; thousands testimonials; estab. 50 years; the old firm: Sandiford, 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London; and 296, North-rd., Preston.

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There is a lot of shout about strains and breeds. Some there is, and some there is not. What you want is a real good genuine trained songster, one that you can rely upon, a breed that has stood the test against all comers for the last twenty years, a class of Rollers that has merited the praise of every purchaser and all hearers. I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and price are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Storey's genuine trained St. Andreasburg or Hartz Rollers, cocks with full change of song by day or artificial light, price according to quality of song, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, a few extra good songsters 12/6 each. I have none of the common half-bred rubbish, but have a few classic hens, 1/9, 2/6, 3/- each. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages, 3d. each, 2/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: E. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

Patronise German Rollers. Real Hartz or Andreasburgs.

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No German fancy names for ours. We are British. Having brought 200 finest bred Rollers in England, can offer from Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of the best organs, price **7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-;** 100 trained, all guaranteed, and on approval, hens **2/6, 3/6;** best lot Rollers in England; proper Roller box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beauties, 3/-; established 50 years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals. Send for for catalogue: **SANDIFORD, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.**

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These birds are named after my collector in Holland. Last Friday, 19th, I received as follows:—

1,260 Hens.
210 Cocks, Class III.
Nothing more. Nothing less.

By Saturday mid-day, 800 hens, 150 cocks were sold. This particular consignment arrived in very fair condition, and gave satisfaction. I am receiving on or about Saturday, 27th inst., a further consignment of hens, also Class I., II., III. cocks, at following prices. **Hens**, Class I., to match cocks of Class I., 3/- each; ordinary hens, 3/- for 2, in a wicker cage, 14 in 7 cages 15/-. **Cocks, Class I.**, 12/- each. 7 in 7 cages, 60/-. These are birds with the waterbubble, Woodlark, and Nightingale notes, a soft sweet song of great beauty. **Cocks, Class II.**, 7/6 each, 7 in 7 cages for 42/-. These are birds famous for their staying Powers, and very good value for money asked. **Cocks, Class III.**, 6/6 each, 7 in 7 cages for 35/-. These are good, sound Hartz birds with good, strong song, being worth 7/6 each.

Kindly Note Terms.

Cash with order only. All orders despatched as I receive them; this ensures country customers receiving their birds first, irrespective of cash customers in London. No birds have been sent away to anyone in Great Britain without cash with order. Telephone 6341 Avenue.

JOHN HAMLYN,

221, St. George's Street, London Docks, East.

(127)

Rollers—Real Hartz Rollers Cock Canaries, the third lot offered this season, and the finest that could be purchased for cash; every bird in grand condition, and real schoolmasters, and contest singers, only, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each, or 42/- the stick of seven; hens 1/9, 2/- each, 3 for 4/6; stick of 14, 18/-; Belgian Rollers, cock Canaries, trained under the schoolmaster, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, 1/6, 1/9 each; cock Siskins, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; established a century; cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS; Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1975)

Scotch Fancies.

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

FOR sale, cocks and hens, yellows and buffs, 15/- to 3/-: Thomson, 15, Station-rd., Craiguiltar, Midlothian. (122)

BUFF cock, yellow pied cock, cheap; approval, seen any time: Hamilton, 44, Keppoch-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (112)

BUFF pied hen, 10/-; or exchange good Norwich yellow hen, clear or dark: Address Wm. Lamlie, 25, Caledonia-st., Paisley. (123)

HEAVY built yellow cock, 1914, and buff cock, 1913, 2/- each; bargains; approval: E. Ralston, 22, Riverbank-st., Newmilns. (125)

YELLOW pied cock (free mover), yellow hen, good stock bird, young; approval; seen any time: Burnside, Ellerslea, Lesmahagow. (123)

FOUR pair of Scotch Fancies for sale, 1 dozen breeding cages, 2 flights, for sale: Thomas Keary, 486, Hamilton-rd., by Cambuslang. (101)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, buff piebald hens, clear yellow hens, clear buff cock, buff piebald cocks, young birds: James Little, 25, Gem-st., Paisley.

SCOTCH Fancies, buff piebald hen, yellow piebald and buff piebald cocks, young; good birds, cheap; approval: Hugh Howie, 29, Oswald-rd., Kirkcaldy. (125)

FIRST cross yellow cock, splendid top and shoulders, good breeder, 15/-; also yellow Scotch Fancy cock, a really good bird, 12/-; both in splendid health: Craig, 17, Grey-st., Wallsend-on-Tyne. (123)

SCOTCH Fancy, 2 hens, one cock buff, will sell cheap, or will give 3 for a very large cock, 1914 bred, cock first; approval; and 5 pair feeders, bred from good feeder strain, buff and yellow, 1914 bred, the five pair for £1 5/- to clear: Little, 140, Ruby-st., Baker, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (121)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, Yorkshire Specialists, unbeatable 30 years, championship, best in show, Palace, 1914. Some of the best living for disposal, wonderful length and quality; approval: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20 guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 45, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

WANTED Yorkshires: Pearson, Greenwich. (124)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66/68, Selater-st., Shoreditch

YORKSHIRES, yellows, buffs, c.c., from 7/6: A. Challis, 4, Wolsey-av., East Ham. (89)

YORKSHIRES, cocks and hens for sale, cheap: W. Bell, 24, Blantyre-st., Chelsea, S.W. (111)

YORKSHIRE hen Canaries, 2/6 each, 1914 birds: Banner, 27, High-st., Broadey, Kent. (114)

FEW Green and Cinnamon marked cocks, buff and yellow, cheap to clear: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (110)

YORKSHIRE cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, 10/6 pair: 1914, yellow, buff: Miss P. Bird, Farcet, Peterborough. (85)

PAIR Yorkshires, 8/-; 3 Roller Yorkshire hens, 3/-; 4 Roller hens, 4/-: Edhill, Belle Vue, Whitby.

1914 ticked Yorkshire hen, sell 5/-; or exchange gramophone records: Leggett, 18, Montague-rd., Dalston. (127)

YORKSHIRES, high-class birds, from 7/6: hens, 2/6: T. Warlow, 29, Musgrave-crescent, Fulham, S.W. (106)

YORKSHIRES, cold-room bred, cocks 6/-: hens, 2/6: Elliot, 147, Delphin-st., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (89)

YORKSHIRE Canaries for sale: hens, 3/6, cocks, 7/6, cold-room: 89, Ban Head-grove, Roundhay-rd., Leeds (116)

The BULL-DOG STRAIN

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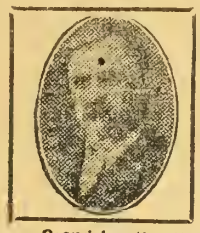

The above strain needs no bounce. All I need do is to refer you to the reports of leading shows. My birds are winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. I have also bred and sold birds that have won for my clients all over the country. Testimonials in proof of this are always open for the inspection of my visitors. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks**, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Good Cobby Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Matched breeding pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Erect racy Hens**, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. **Matched Breeding Pairs**, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. **EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES**, bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each upwards.

FEBRUARY, 1915. UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. FEBRUARY, 1915.

The following testimonials, in addition to scores of others (which are always open for the inspection of my visitors) have been received during **February, 1915**:—

"Paddock Street, Wigston Magna, Leicester.—I am very pleased with the pair of **Norwich** you sent me. I showed the buff cock at the All-England Show at Leicester and got **extra 3rd in a class of 35 entries**, and I took 2nd with him at a Leicestershire show last Saturday. I am only a novice. These are the first pair of good birds I have had and I think you have treated me very well.—G. E. Farmer to Joe Thomas."

"Wyke Regis, Weymouth.—We have done very well at our show. We got 1st and special for best bird in show with **Yorkshire** cock and 2nd with the bird you sent last year, also **1st and spl. in Norwich** class with one of the birds you sent us.—J. W. Hunter to Joe Thomas."

"Willow Bank, Wick.—The **Yorkshire** cock I bought from you last year won **1st and spl.** at the show here. Kindly send the following.—Wm. Manson to Joe Thomas."

"Heaton Street, Standish.—**Roller** arrived safe. It's a very nice singer. I shall know where to send when I want more.—W. A. Bibby to Joe Thomas."

Dover Street, Bolton. **Roller** arrived this morning. Was singing in less than 20 minutes. Very well satisfied.—Wm. Gradwell to Joe Thomas."

"South Street, Bargoed.—The Goldfinch Mule I had from you has turned out grand. I am very pleased with him.—W. Blewitt to Joe Thomas."

"Banks Terr., Haltwhistle.—Received the pair of **Norwich** safely. I am well pleased with them and with your prompt dispatch. They are nice typical birds.—J. G. Newman to Joe Thomas."

"Hilltown, Dundee.—Birds arrived safe. They are a splendid pair for the money. I shall always recommend you.—J. Sharp to Joe Thomas."

"Buckingham Street, Hull.—Bird arrived safe this morning in beautiful condition. Highly satisfied. He is a beauty.—H. Ablett to Joe Thomas."

Considerations of space only prevent me from publishing scores similar to above, **but please remember this: I guarantee the same absolute satisfaction to all customers.**

ROLLERS, MULES, CRESTS, BORDER FANCIES, &c.

British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. **Hens, same pure strain**, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. **Matched Pairs**, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-.

Mules.—Over 100 Goldfinch and Linnet Mule Cocks in full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each. Few extra large Dark Mules, fit for exhibition, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- each.

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SONGSTERS! SONGSTERS!! SONGSTERS!!!—Champion song cocks, in full free song, 5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 10/6 each. Sure to give satisfaction. Approval anywhere.

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OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

FOUR good self-green buff hens, typical birds, 4/- each: Renton, Masonic Hall, Holywead, North Wales. (114)

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TEN Yorkshire hens, 2/-, 3/6 each, or 25/- the lot; all good birds; Dykes' strain: "Dicks," Newcastle Emlyn. (90)

FEW first-class Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, cold room bred: seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting. (69)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires: home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

SIX good quality Yorkshire cocks, live hens, sell lot 50/- to clear, bargain: Apply, Snell, Rae Barn, Brixham. (118)

DEALERS supplied with good large colour-fed Yorks.: Write Rooley Aviaries, 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford.

YORKSHIRES, hens, 2 buffs, 2 variegated, 3/6 each, or 12/- the lot: Turvil, 67, White Hart-lane, Barnes, S.W. (108)

MIDLANDERS note; Mr. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester, has a few nice buff hens and yellow cocks to spare, cheap. (66)

YORKSHIRES, 5 cocks, 9 hens, 40/- the lot, or separate: H. Clarke, The Cricketers, Railway-lane, Chatteris, Cambs. (119)

TWO smart pair Yorkshires, 25/- per pair; few odd hens from 6/6; approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (100)

WINNER 2 cups, gold medal, diploma; outstanding healthy birds from 14/6 pair, or separate; approval: Olive, Sittingbourne. (90)

CINNAMON-MARKED Yorkshire cock, 7/-; yellow hen, 3/6; yellow Roller cock, 7/6: 1914 bred: 24, Padiham-rd., Burnley. (122)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6; stamp reply; Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (108)

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YORKSHIRE, from winning strain, cocks from 5/6, six 31/6; hens from 3/-, six 15/-: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (124)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from winners, cocks from 12/6, hens from 5/-, room wanted: Owen, Bryn-terrace, Llanelly, Carm. (118)

T. C. CRAWHALL, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne, offers a few of his well-known strain, singles or pairs. (47)

YORKSHIRE cock and hen, leggy birds, 12/- pair; monster buff green Norwich hen, 10/-: The Acacias, Irmington Park, Ormiston. (112)

F. KING has some good stock buff cocks, bred from my winners, from 10/-; Inspection invited: 40, Inworth-st., Battersea. (104)

VARIEGATED cock, bred East Ham, 10/6; buff cocks, full song, from 5/6, hens, 2/6: Thomas, 29, Stevenage-rd., East Ham. (122)

LENGTHY yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6, hens 3/- each. 1914: Lobley, 62, High Lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (112)

FOR sale, few pairs of Yorkshires, good quality, 10/6 pair; or exchange poultry to value: F. Dibble, Holly Bush, Nelson, S. Wales. (122)

YORKSHIRES, yellows and buffs, pairs or singly, good carriage birds; stamp, reply: Mellows, 2, Bedford-st., Ford, Devonport. (123)

BREEDY pair Yorkshires for disposal, reasonable, also two yellow Norwich hens: approval: Knight, 46, Spencer-rd., Kentish Town. (125)

BREEDER'S prize stock of Yorkshires; smart hens from 3/-, typical cocks from 7/6: Goodwin, 136, Warham-st., Kennington, S.E. (89)

FEW good Yorkshires cheap, to make room for breeding; hens from 5/-; cocks from 7/6 each: Macready, Jeweller, Stranraer. (123)

FOUR long yellow unflighted Yorkshire cocks, 10/- each; hens from 5/-; see wins Newton Grange: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle. (115)

FEW good quality healthy cold room bred 1914 Yorkshire cocks, 10/- each; also few hens, 5/- each: "Hchester," Wodeland-rd., Guildford. (103)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

HIGH class Yorkshires for sale; cocks from 7/-, hens 4/-; properly matched pairs 12/6; approval: Merritt, 45, Pearl-st., Roath, Cardiff. (116)

TICKED yellow unflighted Yorkshire, grand, feathered like marble, straight as a rush; only 12/6; approval willingly: Olive, Sittingbourne. (110)

TYPICAL unflighted Yorks, hens, clear, ticked, or marked, from 3/6 up; approval, deposit: Postmaster, Hammerfield, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. (122)

THREE beautiful Yorkshire cock Canaries, perfect health, full song, 7/- each; one cock adult green Budgerigar, 3/-: 4, Irton-rd., Southport. (126)

CHAMPION Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, hens from 7/6; own breeding; inspection invited: Harris, 9, Whitecross, Riverside, Richmond, Surrey. (89)

GRAND Yorkshires; clears, variegated, cocks 5/6, hens 2/6; yellows, buffs; approval, cash or deposit: Wright, 73, Ash-grove, Wavertree, Liverpool. (91)

A FEW prize-bred Green Yorkshires, Metcalfe's strain; cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-: Miss McDonald, Meadow Bank, St. Leonard's-on-Sea. (125)

GRAND yellow Yorkshire cock, won three firsts, 30/-, worth £3; fine typical buff, won several prizes, 25/-; approval: C. E. Silk, Emsworth, Hants.

ABOUT 20 for sale, including unflighted cocks, several 7 inches long, also some grand hens, reasonable: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (112)

TWO grand unflighted yellow Yorkshire hens, over 7 inches long, just the sort for small cock, 7/6 each; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (120)

YORKSHIRES, three buff and yellow variegated cocks, 5/- each; four clear buff and two buff variegated hens, 3/6 each: H. V. Barraclough, Tankersley, Barnsley. (112)

YORKSHIRES.—G. A. Parker has some of the best winners of five cups, 1914: cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6 to 20/-; hens, 5/6 to 15/-; pairs 12/6 to 25/-; a few prize-bred buff cinnamon Norwich cocks, the late Judge Dobson's strain, 7/6 to 20/-, cash on deposit: 17, Litchfield-aven., Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (108)

YORKSHIRES, two pairs of outstanding, well-matched birds; fine quality feather, 1914 cock breeding, 12/6 each pair: Craven, Yelverton-terrace, Plymouth. (123)

THREE smart pairs stylish Yorkshires, 21/- pair; few hens, mostly yellows, cinnamon marked, from winners, 5/- each: Eastwood, 289, Manchester-rd., Hollinwood. (123)

FANCIERS, I have some fine yellow and buff cocks, unflighted, at 15/-; grand hens, 5/- each, write, stating wants: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, near Huddersfield. (104)

TWO yellow Yorkshire hens for sale, 20/-, or exchange for 2 Yorkshire stock cocks, one yellow, one buff: F. Potter, 71, May-st., Soundwell-rd., Kingswood, Bristol. (118)

HEALTHY Yorkshires, green, buff, yellow, variegated, splendid condition, cocks full song, 7/6; hens, 5/6, 4/-, 5/-; bred from winners: Adey, 56, St. Mary's-st., Weymouth. (120)

SMART Yorkshires: 6 clear cocks, 6/-, buff and yellow; 6 clear hens, 3/6; also 4 good pairs of lightly ticked at 7/6 pair; approval: Smith, Grocer, Somersham, Hunts. (111)

HAVE three buff cocks left, from 7/6 to 10/- each; one yellow cock, winner three cups, 25/-; what offers to clear the lot: Reynolds, 40, Meads-lane, Seven Kings, Essex. (122)

UNFLIGHTED buff cock, bred from our winners, 8/6; 1913 buff cock, seven inches, good stock bird, 10/6; approval willingly: Anton Bros., 5, St. Thomas-rd., Spalding. (121)

CLEAR buff Yorkshire cock, over 7in. long, grand stock bird, 12/6; also 3 clear unflighted buff hens, 4/6 each; approval, deposit: W. Dickens, 22, Elnor-st., Langley Mill, Notts. (112)

PAIR unflighted exhibition Yorkshires, easy winners, 15/-; exchange for silver watch or anything useful; yours first: Rogers, Bridlegate, Preston, Brockhurst, nr. Shrewsbury. (120)

FINE Yorkshire Canaries, my winning strain, guaranteed full song; cocks, 5/-, lacy hens 3/-; no swank; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett, Yorkshire. (105)

HIGH class typical Yorkshires, 1914, cold room, cocks 6/6, 7/6, hens 3/6, 4/-; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit system; inspection any time: Gant, 112, Churchfield-rd., Acton, London. (111)

NO Palace winners, but good birds cheap to clear; cocks, full song, 7/6; hens, 3/6; parents cost £1 a pair from Ambler's and Knight's; approval: Avery, 108, Totteridge-rd., High Wycombe. (121)

WM. MOFFAT has some splendid Yorkshires to dispose of, cocks from 10/- to 30/-, hens from 7/6, 20/-; pairs reasonable; state wants; cash or deposit; approval: 34, Scarcroft Hill, York. (96)

YOUNG, healthy exhibition Yorkshires, cocks, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 3/6; all in breeding condition; evenings, week-days, Saturday, Sunday all day: The Breeder, 222, Ribblesdale-rd., Streatham, S.W. (121)

EXCHANGE large yellow 1912 Yorkshire cock, full song, value 15/-, for high-class Roller cock, full song, Randall's preferred, or sell 12/6: approval: Harris, 84, Brace Castle-rd., Tottenham, London. (106)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, typical cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Priestley, 121, Gathorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (29)

YORKSHIRE Canaries for sale, in full song, cold room bred, 7/6 each; also six common hens, make good feeders, 1/9 each; exchange anything useful: G. Brooke, 11, Baldwin-st., Attercliffe, Sheffield. (111)

P. ROOKE, 20 years breeder and winner principal shows, has left several first-class Yorkshire cocks, from 7/6; hens from 3/6; inspection invited; approval: 50, Ringmer Avenue, Munster-rd., Fulham. (111)

SEVERAL grand yellow and buff cocks, splendid length and quality, good position, also some champion real good hens; approval; prices moderate: Messrs. Sharp and Hibbitt, 19, Melton-rd., Oakham.

GOOD smart stylish Yorkshires, splendid feather, related to my winners; cocks 8/6, hens 4/6 and 6/-; also first cross Belgians 8/6; matched pairs 12/6, approval: George York, South-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (115)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshire, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6 upwards; hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (117)

SELL following high-class Yorkshires, eight cocks, buffs and yellows, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; few smart hens, buffs, 5/6; yellows, 6/6; no better blood obtainable: Mr. Dodgson, 40, Priestman-terrace, Bradford, Yorkshire. (117)

YORKSHIRES; cocks, full song, 7/6 to 15/- (some 7 inches), fine feather; hens 3/-; pairs, to breed winners, 12/6 to £1; all prize bred; on approval with pleasure; deposit: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (117)

HIGH class Yorkshires, grand typical healthy birds, in fine condition, from my winners, cold room, yellow and buff cocks 8/6, buff hens 5/-; approval willingly: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (111)

JAKSON'S high-class Yorkshires, from my winners at leading shows, best blood obtainable, standard length and quality; cocks, 5/-; hens, 3/-; pairs, 7/6; approval, cash, or deposit: 3, Albert-st., Mytholmroyd, Yorkshire. (119)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, winning strain, cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; matched pairs, from 12/6 to 20/-; approval, deposit: John Radley, 239, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (125)

GOOD pair of Yorkshires, long, slim, yellow 1914 cock, singing beautiful, buff hen, breeding condition, good breeding cage, nest pan, feeders, bottles, all complete 12/6, worth double: Wilshei, 84, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (118)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, cocks, from 8/6, hens from 3/6; 4, 12/-; pairs from 10/6; Cinnamon buff cock, 12/6; green marked buff cock, 15/-; same strain as cup winners, 1913-14: R. Baxter, 98, Ramsey-rd., Forest Gate, E. (111)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from my challenge cup winners; rocks, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens, 4/-, 6/-, 10/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, £1 upwards; approval, carriage paid: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge.

FORTY outstanding Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, bred from my winners, cold-room, seen any evening; approval, willingly, deposit: cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (91)

MR. BENNETT offers entire stud of his well-known Yorkshires, including winners at Leyton, L.C.B.A., Wimbledon, East Ham; no reasonable offer refused; pairs from 8/6; inspection welcomed; approval: 17, Hartley-rd., Leyton-stone. (111)

MAGNIFICENT long outstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval, 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (97)

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All matter *intended for publication must be written or typed on* **one side** *of paper only*

Twitterings.

Mr. J. Dimmock, Cradley Heath, wishes us to say that he has entirely sold out his stock of Roller hens.

Mr. W. Allison writes that he has removed from 3, Burnett Place to "The Brae," Cults, Aberdeenshire.

The Croydon and Dist. F.A. has decided to hold its pair show at Ruskin House, West Croydon, on March 3, at 7 p.m. Mr. J. A. Halhead was appointed show sec. Entries close Feb. 27.

Mr. E. Norton, hon. sec. of the Leeds C.B.S., asks us to say that the next meeting of the society will be held on March 6, when the usual pair show will be held, classification as usual.

Although I am disposing of my stock, it is not through any grievance with the members of the Y.C.C. of Scotland, writes Mr. Charles Martin (Dennistoun), nor has it come about through the correspondence in your paper, concerning which I am an uninterested party.

The Rule book of the London and P.O.S. for 1915 is to hand. Besides the rules, it contains a table of apportionment of prize-money on the sliding scale in classes of from 2 to 20 entries, and a list of members' names and addresses, the latter of which evidences the continued progress of this long-established society.

Messrs. T. R. Trower and Coy., the noted dealers in bird seeds, foods, etc., ask us to state that they have purchased the bird foods business of Messrs. A. and G. H. Edwards (Vaughan St., Camberwell) and that all orders for this latter firm should now be addressed to them (Messrs. Trower) at 442, Caledonian Rd., London, N.W.

OBITUARY.

MR. F. GREENWAY (Croydon).

It is with the deepest regret that we learn of the demise of that staunch old fancier, Mr. F. Greenway, on Feb. 15, after a long illness. Mr. Greenway was a man of genial disposition, and made many friends in the Fancy, who will be grieved to hear that he has passed away. He was a most regular visitor to, and worker at, the Crystal Palace and other shows, and a keen exhibitor of British birds, also a loyal and highly respected member of the London and Provincial O.S.

MR. ALEX. BEGBIE (Edinburgh).

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. James Napier, sec. Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S., that I have to announce the death of our worthy president, Mr. Alexander Begbie. He died on 17th inst. at Longston, Slateford, after a long illness, at the ripe old age of sixty-four, and I am sure all fanciers who knew him in Scotland will join with me and the members of my society in tendering to his sorrowing widow and family their deepest sympathy in their hour of sorrow. Mr. Begbie had been a breeder of Scotch Fancies for the past thirty years, and was well known all over Scotland as a keen fancier of the Bird of Circle, and also as a judge of that variety. Shortly before his death he was preparing for the forthcoming breeding season.

We have been notified of the following additional changes of secretaryship: Torbay O.S., Messrs. W. Wyatt, 3, Croft Park Terr., Paignton, and W. Hodge, Beaufort, Corsham Rd., Paignton, in place of J. N. and J. Jeffery; Burnley C.B.S., Mr. J. Moorhouse, 102, Nairne St., Burnley, in place of Mr. G. Wharton.

All records were broken at the City and Suburban A.C.B. Pairs Show on Feb. 24, writes Mr. V. Wynn, the hon. sec. We had the magnificent total of 303 entries—201 pairs and 102 British and Foreign birds. Norwich champion class 20, amateur 22, novice 17; Yorkshire champion 24, novice 36; Border champion 28. These were the six biggest classes.

Will you kindly mention in columns of CAGE BIRDS, writes Mr. J. N. Jeffery, that I have been compelled to resign the secretaryship of the Torbay O.S., as my two sons, Jack and Will, have enlisted for duration of war, and I am unable to spare the necessary time owing to pressure of business. I also am reducing my stock through the same cause.

The annual open show of the Coventry O.S. is fixed for Oct. 16, and Wallsend, Mid-Tyne C.B.S., for Nov. 6. Other secs. kindly note, to avoid clashing.

It is with regret, writes Mr. E. Norton, hon. sec. Leeds C.B.S., that we hear Mr. C. E. Hall has entered the Leeds General Infirmary to undergo treatment. Mr. Hall is well known in Yorkshire Union circles as a very prominent exhibitor at the shows. He has been in poor health for some time past, and I am sure all fanciers will wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

To Breeders of Peacocks.

We learn that Mrs. W. Durrant, of Elmswell, Bury St. Edmunds, is wishing to dispose of her noted stud of Peafowl. The flock consists of birds of various ages, and of both sexes, and an excellent opportunity presents itself to readers desirous of obtaining high-class specimens. Full particulars may be had from Mrs. Durrant at the above address.

Blackbird's Nest Under a Cart.

A Blackbird's nest, containing five grown young birds, was found built in a box underneath a spring cart at Sheffield, on Feb. 20. The vehicle belongs to Mr. John Eccles, a well-known tradesman. It is presumed that the bird must have been hatching her young ones while the cart was daily running about. The mother and her feathered family were left undisturbed.

How Fancie s Help.

As a result of the recent members' show of the Deal and Walmer F.A., a sum of £7 was handed over in aid of the Prince of Wales's Fund, and £14 to the local Belgian Refugee's Fund. Last year the local hospital benefited to the extent of seven guineas from the proceeds of the show, so that no less than £28 7s. has been disbursed by this body of bird-lovers for charitable purposes in two seasons.

A Swift in January!

Second-Lieutenant St. B. Goldsmith, writes to "The Field" that a Swift was seen on January 7th flying over a house near Farnham in the direction of Bordon Camp! The editor remarks that the latest recorded date he has of the Swift is October 25, so that the occurrence of one in January is, so far as he is aware, unprecedented, and the more surprising on account of the absence of insects in the air at this time of the year.

The Fateful Birds.

A remarkable series of premonitions of disaster attended the last voyage of the Belle Vue (captured and scuttled by the Kronprinz Wilhelm) according to Able-seaman Baker, who has just been landed at Liverpool. The Belle Vue left Liverpool on Saturday, November 14. On November 18 two Seagulls flew on board, and the sailors caught them, but afterwards set them free. One sailor said it was a sign of capture. On November 30 the sailors saw bad signs in the moon, and on December 4, at four o'clock in the morning, a Blackbird flew aboard and alighted on the top of the "diddley." This served absolutely to convince the crew that they were "in for it." At 5.30 the look-out man reported a vessel on the starboard beam, and at seven o'clock the vessel came close and proved to be the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

A Thoughtful Sparrow!

Owing to the loudness of its song its owner used to hang up her Canary in its cage in the trees in her garden. She noticed one day a Sparrow fly to the cage, and, standing on the top of it, began twittering to the Canary. By-and-by it flew away, but promptly returned with a worm, which it dropped through the wires for its newly-found friend. It continued to be thus civil day by day until the Canary would receive the worm directly from the Sparrow's bill. The lady's neighbours, observing this interesting display of courtesy, also hung up their cages, and were gratified to see the Sparrow attend to their birds too, but it always made a point of ministering to the wants of its earliest chum first. (This delightfully ridiculous paragraph is taken from the "Shields Daily Gazette."—Editor, "C.B.")

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Work of the Wounded Allies Relief Committee.

The Committee was established on the outbreak of war for the Relief of Wounded Allies. It works in the closest co-operation with the British and Allied Governments. It has arranged for several thousands of wounded Belgians in hospitals and homes in various parts of England and Scotland, and Hospitals have also been equipped by the Committee at London, Hastings, Ramsgate and in the West Riding. In addition, support is being extended to institutions at Paris, Calais, Dunkirk, Furnes, Limoges and Nevers. Further, through its means thousands of soldiers have been brought into touch with their families and much valuable aid has been given.

The Committee is now arranging accommodation for convalescents on leaving hospital. A Motor ambulance unit has been organised, and is now on service at the Front with the Belgian Army. The work done in Hospitals immediately behind the firing line is now proved to be vital, and demands special help and extension. Dressing stations are required immediately behind the trenches. Severely injured men can thus be saved, the effects of grave wounds can be lessened in severity, and much suffering prevented.

For wounded who have lost a limb or are otherwise physically unfit to continue military service the Committee desire to provide homes where they may be trained and suitably employed, and supplied with artificial limbs and surgical appliances. The Wounded Allies' Relief Committee is now faced with great responsibilities. No other representative organisation offers to assist the sick, wounded, convalescent and crippled soldiers of all Allies. It is a great task, but with the co-operation of generous subscribers, the Committee intends to undertake it. In order to meet these great needs, which are bound to increase, the Wounded Allies' Relief Committee appeals at once for a sum of £100,000, to be spent in the immediate work of the relief of the sick and wounded of our gallant Allies. Early contributions towards the amount will be gratefully received by the honorary treasurer to the Fund, T. O. Roberts, Esq. (Manager, London County and Westminster Bank, Temple Bar Branch), 217, Strand, London, W.C.

Singing Contests.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, Feb. 20. 34 birds were hung for 4 minutes' time singing. 1, Morley, 122 secs.; 2, Wainwright, 107; 3, Williams, 94. Also Feb. 21. 1, Morley; 2, Wainwright; 3, Caddy.—S. Morley.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Feb. 20. 32 birds entered for three minutes' time singing. 1, 3, Piper; 2, S. Pugh. Open sing, Feb. 21. 39 entered. 1, 2, shared, Piper and Beard; 3, Nelson; 4, Piper. Open sing, Feb. 27.—S. Pugh, Sec.

WIGAN.

Singing contest, Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, Feb. 20. 46 birds staged, and some good prizes were sung for. Quality: 1, Cowburn; 2, Holeroft; 3, Ashcroft; 4, Dixon. Time: 1, A. Donnelly, 162 secs.; 2, T. Knowles, 149; 3, T. Knowles, 132; 4, R. Fairhurst, 65.—A. Leyland, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Commercial Hotel, Feb. 20; 23 birds entered: 1, 2, Wallis; 3, Collinson; time-keepers, R. Collinson, R. Plows; tappers, W. Perkin, J. Wallis; scorer, A. Cooper. This was one of the best contests we have had for many weeks. Every pair of birds hung sang, and every bird has to sing five seconds before it counts. J. Wallis won both largest break and largest score.—R. Plows, Sec.

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Quality singing, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, Feb. 14. 1, Binns; 2, Laycock; 3, King. Feb. 21, we had a grand contest. 1, King; 2, 3, shared Binns, Laycock, and Hullen. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and Sellars.—Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-rd. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Feb. 20. 16 birds sang: 1, T. Johnson; 2, Ward; 3, S. Johnson; judges, Crane and Naylor. Feb. 21, 22 sang: 1, T. Johnson; 2, Chippindale; 3, Hirst; 4, Wood; judges, Jennings, Naylor and Smith. Roller contest, Feb. 21. 12 birds sang: 1 Chadwick; 2, Condliffe; 3, Smelt; judges, Richards[illegible] and Grant.—W. Naylor, hon. sec.

The Shows.

WINNIPEG C.B.S.

Show, Dec. 16; the third show held under the auspices of the Society, and the most successful. The entry of 125 birds was better than generally expected. Yorks. and Nor. were very strong, and were the centre of interest. In British the entry was better than last show, and included Goldfinch, Chaffinch, Siskin and Goldfinch Mule, the last mentioned being a very fine all-round bird, and finally winning the miniature cup for best bird. A large number of people visited the show during the evening and many comments were heard as to the excellency of the different birds. Mr. A. Roberts, judge, did his work quickly, and to the general satisfaction; he had hard work, as there were some very strong classes.

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HOLYTOWN & NEW STEVENSTON

Annual show in Masonic Hall, New Stevenston, Dec. 5, upwards of 500 birds being staged. Cup winners: Best young Scots Fancy and best young Bord., Allardice; young Nor., R. Davidson; old bird, Hamilton; B.F.C.C. medal, Dick. The show was well patronised. Mr. C. Hyslop, Stirling, judged Border and Scots Fancy, and Mr. A. Sloan, Glasgow, the remainder. Their awards were well received.

SCOTS FANCY CK. (10): 1, Allardice, neat head and neck, fine size and action; 2, Murdoch, rare reach, head well down, fine style and action; 3, 4, Buchan, close up, nice size and subs., good drive and action; 3, 4, Buchan, close up, nice size and subs., good drive and style; 5, Douglas. HEN (8): 1, Douglas, good size and thickness, plenty of nerve and style; 2, 3, Buchan, 3 grand top end, fine style and action, 3 good size, very nervy; 4, 5, Murdoch. YOUNG YELL. CK. (11): 1, 2, Allardice, 1 grand shoulders, quick at action, fine style, 2 lovely drive, fine shoulders, nice snaky head, loses in subs.; 3, 4, Murdoch, 3 nice size, free style and action. CL. OR FOUL BUFF HEN (6): 1, 2, Allardice, 1 nice snaky head, good subs., plenty of nerve and action, 2 fine style and action; 3, 4, Murdoch, 3 fine one for style and action. FOUL CK. (8): 1, cup, Allardice, Paisley cup winner, in grand cond., a splendid bird; 2, Douglas, fine shoulders and size, nice style; 3, Murdoch, neat pose and style. NOR. CK. (16): 1, 6, Gallacher, buff variegd., good one, grand type and qual.; 2, Harper, cl. yell., good shape, well cut away, fine size; 3, Bissett, buff gr., nice shape, shown in fine form; 4, 5, Davidson. HEN (15): 1, Gallacher, cl. buff, grand type, splendid qual. of feather; 2, Davidson, nice bird, loses in head and size to leader; 3, Davidson, fine qual., grand col.; 4, 5, Harper; 6, Bissett. YOUNG CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Harper, grand bird, fine size and subs., splendid col.; 2, Bissett, fine texture of feather, fails in subs. to leader; 3, Davidson, could do with more size, nice shape; 4, Lamb; 5, Stewart. HEN (7): 1, Davidson, extra high colour, fine size and shape; 2, 3, Bissett, nice type, more compact, we liked this for 1st place, 3 fails in subs., grand qual. of feather; 4, Harper. BUFF CK. (12): 1, R. Davidson, fine size, plenty of subs., grand qual. of feather; 2, 6, Bissett, good round back, fine front; 3, 4, 5, Harper, grand head and neck, pressed hard for 1st place. HEN (10): 1, 2, Bissett, 1 neat, well filled back, grand type, fine quality of feather, 2 grand col., very typical; 3, 4, Gallacher, 3 good head and neck, fine texture of feather; 5, Harper. VARIEG. CK. (14): 1, 2, Bissett, 1 yell. variegd., lovely qual., fine type, 2 buff variegd., rich qual., grand wings; 3, Harper, lovely col., loses in wing carr.; 4, Lamb; 5, Davidson. HEN (5): 1, Davidson, buff variegd. hen, neat all through, splendid type; 2, Bissett, grand qual., nice wings, grand head and neck; 3, Lamb, fails in subs. to leaders, nice qual.; 4, Harper. CREST CK. (14): 1, cup, Hamilton, grand frontal, splendid crest, beautiful centre; 2, 4, Clark, nice bird, close up on winner; 3, Brown, nice frontal, frille smaller; 5, Page; 6, McVicar. HEN (12): 1, Watson, nicely ceulled crest, nice neat body; 2, Hamilton, splendid frontal, nice wings, presses hard for 1st; 3, 4, Clark, 3 long frontal, bit narrow at sides, good body; 5, Page. C.B. CK. (8): 1, Hamilton, grand skull, rare body and qual. of feather; 2, Watson, good body, wide head, and entrance; 3, Page, not so wide at entrance, good length of head feather; 4, Brown; 5, Clark. HEN (11): 1, Hamilton, nice length of head feather, wide entrance; 2, Clark, good lashing, fails a little at entrance; 3, Page, good body, nice length of feather; 4, McVicar; 5, Brown. YOUNG CREST CK. (8): 1, 2, Hamilton, 1, good centre, nice frontal, grand body, 2 nice head and good length of crest feather; 3, McVicar, nice frontal, but smaller; 4, Page; 5, Watson. HEN (7): 1, Hamilton, nice vein and centre, grand body; 2, 3, Watson, 2 good centre and radiation, 3 nice frontal, on small side; 4, 6, Page; 5, McVicar. YOUNG C.B. CK. (12): 1, Watson, grand body, fine entrance, and well lashed; 2, 3, Hamilton, 2 good bird, close up on winner, 3 good body, weak at entrance; 4, Page; 5, Brown. HEN (9): 1, Hamilton, grand lashing, nice length of head feather; 2, 4, Watson, 2 big body, fails at entrance; 3, Page, nice bird, grand qual. BORD. CK. (21): 1, 2, Harper, 1 cl. buff, nice rich col., grand wings, well drawn, staged to perfection, 2 grand type, full of qual.; 3, Allardice, variegd., nice stamp, lovely head and wings; 4, Davidson; 5, Dick; 6, Millar. HEN (22): 1, Allardice, lovely type, free, jaunty movement, well braced wings; 2, McVicar, very typical, free in movement; 3, 4, Harper, 3 grand head, back, and wings, fails in col.; 4, Davidson; 6, Russell. YOUNG CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Dick, grand col., full of qual., splendid cond.; 2, Allardice, beauty for type, neat wings and tail; 3, Clark, neat head, grand qual. and cond.; 4, 6, Millar; 5, Dick. HEN (20): 1, 4, Millar, grand type and style, nice head and wings, lovely col.; 2, Dick, nice size, cleanly cut away; 3, Clark, well balanced, grand wings; 5, Davidson; 6, Russell. BUFF CK. (11): 1, cup, Allardice, grand head and flights, lovely qual. 2, Dick, good one, splendid col., presses hard; 3, Harper, nice head, good size, neat head, 4, Clark; 5, Russell; 6, Millar. HEN (9): 1, Dick, splendid feather, nicely braced wings and tail; 2, 3, Millar; 2, nice shape, style, and qual., 3 grand head and back, stands well up; 4, McVicars; 5, Clark. VAR. CK. (14): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Dick, buff variegd., grand col., lovely qual., well placed; 2, Harper, yell. variegd., splendid type, neat wings and tail; 3, 6, Watson, buff variegd., nice head and in grand cond.; 4, Allardice; 5, Clark. HEN (12): 1, Harper, yell. variegd., grand shape and style, rich col.; 2, 4, Watson, buff variegd., very shapely, splendid wings and tail; 3, Dick, grand col., nice head; 5, 6, Millar. YOUNG CINN. (12): 1, 3, 6, Harper, 1 lovely col. and qual., neat head, wings and tail, 3 nice shape and style; 2, Dick, grand qual., nice head; 4, 5, Murphy. GREEN (10): 1, 2, 3, 5, Harper, lovely team, sound col., all very nice type; 4, Clark; 5, Dick. MULE OR HYB. (7): 1, Clark, Rodpoll-Gold., Crystal Palace winner, looking splendid, very steady, shows well; 2, Millar, Greenf. Mule, rare shape, rich even col.; 3, 5, Lamb, 3 dark Linnet Mule, rare shape and style; 4, Watson. GOLDF. (8): 1, McVicars, nice deep blaze, grand bars and buttons; 2, Davidson, lovely blaze, lovely back and chest; 3, 5, Lamb, 3 well up in col., lovely bars. GREENF. (8): 1, Davidson, col. fed, fine rich tone or col., good cond.; 2, 3, Millar, 2 nat. col., splendid size, nice feather, 3 lovely wings and tail, grand cond.; 4, Russell; 5, Clark. LINNET: 1, Clark, nice chest, beautifully mkd., grand col.; 2, Lamb, rare head and back, close up; 3, Nimmo, rich col., nice feather and marks; 4, Dick; 5, Davidson. MEALY REDPOLL, ETC. (12): 1, 4, 5, Davidson, 1 Siskin, splendid bib, grand cond.; 2, 3, Dick, 2 Twite, lovely col., nice type, 3 Mealy Poll, plenty of size, fine bib and facing; 6, Millar. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Millar, lovely type, nice qual. of feather; 2, 6, Lamb, 2 rich col., good wide skull; 3, Davidson, grand all-round qual.; 4, Clark; 5, Dick. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Millar, Yellowhammer, 3 years 1st place at this show, looking in better cond. than ever; 2, 5, Davidson, 2 Bullf. hen, grand col. and qual.; 3, Clark, Bullf. ck., very nice; 4, Dick; 6, Lamb.

GUISELEY, YEADON C.B.S.

Members' show, Feb. 6, Church Institute, Guiseley, in aid of the local Belgian Distress Fund. The show was opened by Lady Peel, Park Gate, Guiseley, Councillor J. A. Rhodes, chairman, before a crowded audience. Mr. P. Mason, Shipley, judged, members putting down 100 birds, and his awards gave entire satisfaction. Thanks are due to the members, and especially the Sec., Mr. W. Rose, for the work done for the show. As a result, the sum of ten guineas has been handed over to the Belgian Distress Fund, and the society thanks Mr. Mason for kindly giving his services free on behalf of the fund.

CL. TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Boulton; 2, Cawood; 3, Wheatley and Son; vhc, he, Andrews; c, Dibb. BUFF: 1, Fawcett; 2, 3, Scott; vhc, Boulton; hc, Dibb; c, Andrews. YELL. HEN: 1, Boulton; 2, Dibb; 3, vhc, Long; hc, Scott; c, Andrews. BUFF: 1, Fawcett; 2, vhc, Andrews; 3, Rose; hc, Hardaker; c Boulton. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, c, Andrews; 2, Boulton; 3, Cawood; vhc, hc, Dibb. HEN: 1, 2, Andrews; 3, Dibb; vhc, Wheatley and Sons; hc, c, Long. GR. OR CINN. MK. CK.: 1, Fawcett; 2, Scott; 3, Wheatley and Son; vhc, Bunting; hc, Andrews; c, Long. HEN: 1, Long; 2, Dibb; 3, Andrews; vhc, Boulton; hc, Wheatley and Son.—W. H. Dibb.

PRESTON O.S.

26th annual show, Nov. 21, Maudland Institute, with over 100 entries. The quality of the birds exhibited and the smart manner in which they were staged augurs well for the future of the Society in more prosperous times. The room is a well-lighted one, and the committee are to be congratulated on its acquisition for the next open show. Mr. A. Hirst, Accrington, judged. There was keen competition for the cups, the Stanley Cup being won again by a novice, Mr. Catterall, the winning bird soon changing hands at a good figure. H. E. Marsh won the "P.O.S. Cup" for most points with four birds, and J. Knowles the "Osbaldeston Cup" for most points in novice; Mr. Howarth won "P.O.S. Novice Cup"; Mr. W. H. Cotham the "Blackhurst Cup."

YELL. CK.: 1, Cotham; 2, 4, Marsh; 3, Issott. BUFF: 1, Marsh; 2, Nixon; 3, Dent; 4, Cottam. YELL. HEN: 1, Nixon; 2, 3, Cottam; 4, Coupe. BUFF: 1, Coupe, 2, 4, Marsh; 3, Johnson. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Sutton; 2, Issott; 3, Marsh; 4, Sutton. BUFF: 1, Cottam; 2, Sutton; 3, Isott; 4, Marsh. YELL. HEN: 1, Marsh; 2, Sutton; 3, Coupe; 4, Cottam. BUFF: 1, Johnson; 2, Cottam; 3, 4, Marsh. NAT. COL.: 1, Moss; 2, Lambert. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, Catterall; 2, Bramley; 3, Knowles; 4, Howarth. BUFF: 1, Howarth; 2, Knowles; 3, Porter; 4, Lambert. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Lambert; 2, Knowles; 4, Howarth. BUFF: 1, Howarth; 2, Knowles; 3, Bramley; 4, Brinfield. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Howarth; 2, Bramley. BUFF: 1, Howarth; 2, Knowles; 3, Bramley; 4, Fry. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Marsh; 2, 3, 4, Spearitt.—W. H. Cottam, Hon. Sec.

BLAYDON C.B.S.

Members' show, Dec. 12, in place of the annual show abandoned through the war. Mr. J. Riseborough, Sunderland, judged, and got through his work in a business-like manner. Norwich and Crests were the features of the show, and included were some very fine specimens.

NOR. CK., YELL.: 1, sp, 3, 4, vhc, Morrison; 2, Fletcher; hc, Hands; c, Crass. BUFF: 1, sp, 2, 4, March; 3, hc, Morrison; vhc, Page; c, Hands. HEN: 1, sp, 2, 3, vhc, Morrison; 4, hc, March; c, Hands. CK. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, hc, Morrison; 2, vhc, Fletcher; 3, Hands; 4, Vallans; c, Crass. BUFF: 1, Page; 2, sp, vhc, Fletcher; 3, hc, Morrison; c, Hands. HEN: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Morrison; vhc, March; hc, Fletcher; c, Page. CK. YELL. NOV.: 1, sp, 2, Walker. BUFF: 1, sp, 4, Walker; 2, Page; 3, vhc, hc, Hetherington. NAT. COL.: 1, sp., Hands; 2, Crosswell; 3, Crass. OLD CREST CK.: 1, sp, 4, Dobson; 2, 3, Bewick. HEN: 1, sp, Dobson; 2, Morrison. C.B. CK.: 1, sp, 2, Dobson; 3, Bewick; 4, Simpson; vhc, hc, Morrison. HEN: 1, sp, 3, Robson; 2, Bewick. CREST, 1911: 1, Bewick; 2, sp, 3, Dobson; 4, vhc Simpson. C.B.: 1 Bewick; 2, sp, 3, hc, Dobson; 4, vhc, Simpson. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Crawhall; 2, sp, 3, Graham; 4, Hands. BUFF: 1, sp, Crawhall; 2, Leck. HEN: 1, sp, Crawhall; 2, Hands; 3, Leck; 4, Reed. YELL. CK., UNFLIG.: 1, Crawhall. BUFF: 1, sp, Crawhall; 2, Leck. HEN: 1, sp, Crawhall; 2, Leck; 3, Reed. YELL. CK. NOV.: 1, Reed; 2, sp, 3, Graham; 4, Leck. BUFF: 1, sp, hc, Graham, 2, vhc, Leck; 3, Reed. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, sp, 2, Hillary. BUFF: 1, Hillary. HEN YELL.: 1, Hillary. BUFF: 1, 2, sp, Dobson. YELL. CK. NOV.: 1, sp, Dobson. BUFF: 1, sp, Crosswell. MULE: 1, sp, Dobson; 2, March; 3, Hillary. GOLDF. or BULLF.: 1, sp, 4, Fletcher; 2, Reed; 3, Leck; vhc, Hillary. LINNET: 1, Vallans; 2, sp, 3, Hands. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, sp, Crass. FINCH or BUNTING: 1, sp, Reed; 2, Simpson, 3, March; 4, Crass. GIFT: 1, sp, Hands, 2, Leck 3, Fletcher, 4 simpson; vhc Graham; hc, G. Dobson, c, J. Dobson. T. C. Crawhall won cup and sp. for three nominated birds; D. Page, sp. best nov. young bird; J. Morrison, sp. most points; F. Leck, sp most points Yorks.

EAST HAM F.S.

Annual show, Dec. 2, 3, Harmonic Hall. Judge Mr. G. Gardner

NOR. BUFF: 1, Wadsworth; 2, Mead; 3, Cooper. YELL.: 1, Mead; 2, 3, res, hc, Wadsworth; vhc, Cooper; c, Turner. VARIEG.: 1, Mead; 2, Bosher. YELL.: 1, Bosher; 2, Potter; 3, Mead. BUFF or VARIEG. A.O.V.: 1, sp, Mead; 2, Potter; 3 Mead; res, Bosher. 1, 3, sp, Turner; 2, Cooper; res, Potter. HYB.: 1, Richmond. GOLDF.: 1, sp, nov. cup, Thaler. BULLF.: 1, Wadsworth; 2, Potter. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Wadsworth; 2, Cook. SOFTBILL: 1, Cook.—W. Kite, Hon. Sec.

BRIDLINGTON C.B.S.

First Annual Show, Nov. 13, Mart, Bridlington. Mr. Herbert W. Axe, Dr Seild, judged, and his awards met with the approval of all. A sale of cage birds and plants was conducted by Mr. T. R. Jemison, auctioneer, the proceeds being handed over for the benefit of the Belgian Refugees now residing in Bridlington. Our best thanks are offered to Messrs. Groves and Son, who so kindly decorated the hall free of charge, and who gave a large table full of pot plants and palms to be sold for the benefit of the Local Belgians; also to the auctioneer, who returned his fee for the same fund. The following members gave a songster or cage for the sale: Messrs. Brown and Pressey, Mallinson, Watts, Glasby, Dixon, Cross, Strickland, Chadwick, Potter.

BUFF YORKS: 1, 2, vhc, Dixon; 3, Strickland; 4, Brown and Pressey; hc, Skelton; c, Glasby. YELL.: 1, Watts; 2, Brown and Pressey; 3, vhc, Dixon; 4, Glasby; hc, Skelton; c, Cross. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, 3, hc, Watts; 2, 4, c, Dixon; vhc, Brown and Pressey. YELL.: 1, 4, vhc, Watts; 2, Glasby; 3, Dixon; hc, c, Brown and Pressey. YORKS HEN: 1, Watts; 2, hc, Brown and Pressey; 3, 4, vhc, Glasby; c, Cross. BUFF NOR.: 1, Chadwick; 2, Brown and Pressey. YELL.: 1, Clayton and Smith; 2, 3, 4, hc, Brown and Pressey; vhc, Chadwick. UNFLIG. BUFF: 1, Clayton and Smith; 2, Brown and Pressey; 3, 4, Mallinson. YELL.: 1, 4, Mallinson; 2, Glasby; 3, Dixon. NOR. HEN: 1, 2, Clayton and Smith; 3, vhc, Mallinson; 4, hc, c, Brown and Pressey. BULLF. OR GOLDF.: 1, Mallinson; 2, 3, hc, c, Glasby; 4, Clayton and Smith; vhc, F. C. Strickland (Goldf.). A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, J. Chadwick (Redstart); 2, Strickland; 3, Sturdy; 4, vhc, hc Glasby.—J. Chadwick, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

This Society was obliged to give up the open show, as the War Office had taken the hall, but held a most successful members' exhibition in the Kingsland Assembly Rooms, Dec. 2, with about 250 entries, and merit was exceptionally high. Challenge cup for best unflighted was won by Miss Onslow with a good green C.B.; Canary Cup, Mr. Fellows; Novice, Mr. W. White; British, Miss Bousfield; Foreign and best in show, Mr. Slade. Mr. W. L. Page makes a splendid Sec., and had everything quite in order. Mr. H. Norman judged.

CHAMP. NOR. YELL. (8): 1, 3, Welch; 2, Dr. Weekes; vhc, c, Fellows; hc, Foyle. BUFF (7): 1, sp, vhc, Fellows; 2, Dr. Weekes; 3, Page; hc, Matthews; c, Welch. HENS (12): 1, Matthews; 2, c, Dr. Weekes; 3, vhc, Welch; hc, Page. 1914 (10): 1, sp, hc, Dr. Weekes; 2, vhc, Fellows; 3, W. L. Page; c, A. Welch. NOV. YELL. (5): 1, White; 2, Love; 3, Washer; vhc, Dartnell; hc, Welch. BUFF (8): 1, Chandler; 2, c, Welch; 3, Melhuish; vhc, White; hc, Washer. HEN (5): 1, Chandler; 2, Love; 3, hc, White; vhc, Welch. 1914 (10): 1, Chandler; 2, Washer; 3, vhc, Love; hc, Hastnell; 3, White. YORKS. YELL. (8): 1, sp, Bousfield; 2, 3, Baxter; vhc, c, White; hc, Holliday. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Holliday; 3, White; vhc, Adams; hc, Gamble; c, Maidment. HEN (14): 1, White; 2, Gamble; 3, Holliday; vhc, Adams; hc, Maidment; c, Bousfield. 1914 (13): 1, vhc, Holliday; 2, hc, White; 3, c, Gamble. NOV. YELL. (4): 1, Winter; 2, vhc, Egerton; 3, Pack. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Snowden; 2, 3, vhc, Egerton; hc, c, Pack. HEN (6): 1, hc, Pack; 2, vhc, Egerton; 3, Snowden; c, Gentry. 1914 (10): 1 sp, 2, Egerton; 3, Winter; vhc, c, Snowden; hc, Gentry. CREST (3): 1, sp, Miss Onslow; 2, Adams; 3, Cawte. C.B. (5): 1, sp, 2, Miss Onslow; 3, Wood; vhc, Fellows; hc, Cawte. BELG. (2): 1, sp, 2, Holliday. GOLDF. (14): 1, sp, 2, Foyle; 3 c, Fellows; vhc, Baxter; hc Washer. BULLF. (2): 1 Miss Bousfield; 2, Vale. LINNET (3): 1, Mellinish; 2, Patterson; 3, Dear. SISKIN (2): 1, Dear; 2, Alderslade. A.O. HARDBILL (9): 1, sp, Cook; 2, Vale; 3, Miss Bousfield; vhc, Dear; hc, Alderslade; c, Welch. SOFT. (5): 1, sp, Miss Bousfield; 2, 3, White. LIGHT MULE (5): 1, sp, Dear; 2, Patterson; 3, vhc, hc, Hartnell. DARK (8): 1, sp, Miss Bousfield; 2, 3, Broomfield; vhc, White, hc, Vale; c, Foyle. FOR. (12): 1, sp, vhc, Slade; 2, 3, hc, c, Miss Bousfield.

BELFAST NOR. CREST & Y.C.C.

13th Annual Show, Nov. 20 21, Clarence Place Hall. Society's gold medal winners: Crests, McCoy; Nor., Connell; Nor. hens, Lavery; Yorks, Winkup; Cup best Yorks, Woods; spl. best bird in hall, McCoy. Mr. J. Stewart, sec., had all arrangements well in hand and was ably assisted by Messrs. Adams, pres., Wheatley, vice-pres., Connell, treas., and the stewards, Messrs. Teasey, Scott, and Fleming. Mr. Trengove judged to the general satisfaction.

CREST CK.: 1, 4, McCoy, wing mkd. dark, crest of good size; 2, 3, Creighton, even mkd. buff, nice expansive crest. HEN: 1, spl, medal, McCoy, grand hen, great size of crest, good droop, veiny feather; 2, spl, 3rd, spl, Creighton, even mkd. buff, nice crest, good droop and radiation; 4, Patterson; 5, Adams. C.B. CK.: 1, spl, 4, McCoy, big, good wide skull, well lashed; 2, 3, Creighton, variegd., nice cushion and plenty of feather; 5, Adams. HEN: 1, McCoy, green, wide skull, good cushion and feather; 2, Adams, variegd., plenty of feather; 3, Creighton; 4, 5, Patterson. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, spl, medal, Connell, good col. and qual., cobby, nice head; 2, spl, Dougan, grand size and qual., fine head; 3, spl, Thompson; 4, Young; 5, Dougan; 6, Carson. BUFF CK.: 1, spl, 3, Scott, nice qual., well set up and cobby; 2, spl, Young, nice col. and qual.; 4, McCagherty; 5, Lavery; 6, Connell. TICK YELL. CK.: 1, Scott, very soft when we saw it; 2, Houston, hot col., good qual.; 3, Thompson; 4, Montgomery; 5, 6, Beattie. BUFF: 1, 2, Scott, shut cobby, good head and neck, 2nd shade longer but nice; 3, J. Stewart; 4, McCagherty; 5, Young; 6, McCrea. YELL. VARIEG. CK.: 1, Thompson, mkd. eyes, neck, and wing, hot col., grand qual., good head; 2, spl, 3, Scott, grand size and col., loses a little in head; 4, McCagherty; 5, Thompson; 6, Boyd. BUFF: 1, Thompson, even mkd., grand qual. and size; 2, Teasey; 3, Connell; 4, spl, Stewart; 5, Thompson; 6 McCagherty. YELL. HEN: 1, spl, Scott, nice one, good qual. and col.; 2, McBride; 3, Boyd; 4, McCrea; 5, Stewart; 6, McCagherty. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, spl, Scott, both nice, good qual.; 3, Houston, another cobby one; 4, Boyd; 5, Connell; 6, Cole. TICK YELL. HEN: 1, Houston, mkd. head, lovely qual and col.; 2, Teasey, neat every way; 3, Thompson; 4, Boyd; 5, Montgomery; 6, Beattie. TICK BUFF: 1, Lavery, mkd. wing, nice and cobby, good qual., grand head and neck; 2, Kane, also a cobby one; 3, 4, Scott; 5, Connell; 6, Boyd. YELL VAR. HENS: 1, McCagherty, good and cobby, nice wings; 2, Houston, paler in col., but good type; 3, Kane; 4, Connell; 5, Huston; 6, Montgomery. BUFF: 1, spl, medal Lavery, grand size, cobby, good head, well set up; 2, Young, nice one, but gone off; 3, spl, Houston; 4, spl, McCagherty; 5, Beattie; 6, Montgomery. YORKS YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Woods, hot col., good qual., hair length; 2, Fleming, also good; 3, Malcolm; 4, Wheatley; 5, Malcolm; 6, Woods. YELL HEN: 1, Woods, pale in col., nice pos., good wing and tail; 2, Fleming, hot col., nice style; 3, Winkup; 4, Wheatley; 5, Malcolm; 6, Fleming. BUFF CK.: 1, Fleming, hot col., grand inky bird; 2, spl, Woods, upstanding, nice back and head; 3, Wheatley; 4, Webb; 5, Fleming. BUFF HENS: 1, Winkup, sweet one, good front, wings and tail, 2, 3, Fleming, better col., shade open in front; 4, Malcolm; 5, McNeilly; 6, Wheatley. TKD., NOR., YELL. CK.: 1, spl, Winkup, nice one, hot col., tight as a bottle; 2, 3, Malcolm, good, stylish; 4, Woods; 5, Webb 6, Fleming. HENS: 1, Malcolm, nice hen, good qual; 2, Wheatley, good type and style; 3, 6, Fleming; 4, 5, spl, Winkup. VARIEG. BUFF CK.: 1, Malcolm, wing mkd., sweet bird, in the pink, 2, Webb, big one, close up; 3, Fleming; 4, Cole; 5, Patterson; 6, Dunwoody. HENS: 1, clon. mkd., nice length; 2, Wheatley; 3, Dunwoody; 4, 5, Fleming. LIGHT MULES: 1, 4, Teasey, nice yell. variegd., shade small; 2, 3, Hunter, both buff variegd., all four Goldf. DARK MULE: 1, spl, McLarnon, Linnet, fine size, nicely laced, good cord; 2, spl, Montgomery, fine sized buff Gold., grand blaze; 3, spl, Beattie, buff Greenf., nice feather.

SOUTHPORT C.B.S.

Annual show, Nov. 28; a nice collection of 70 birds faced the judge, Mr. Peter Waring, of Preston. Special best bird and best nov. was won by a grand variegd. Nor. of Mr. Fawcett's; 2nd best, T. Johnson, with a nice clear yellow. UNFLIG. YELL. NOR. (6): 1, c, Johnson; 2, 3, Fawcett; vhc, hc, Sutton; all clears; leaders excelling in size and head points. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Fawcett, var. leading, nice round bird, lovely qual. feather, excels in shape; 2, 3, Cookson, vars., leader the biggest, beaten shape, hc, c, Sutton. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 2, Sutton, clears, big hen leading, massive head, grand qual.; 3, vhc, Johnson, nice size, pale in col.; hc, c, Cookson. BUFF (7): 1, Whitehead, cl., nice shape and size, good head points, nice feather; 2, Fawcett, cl., good medium size, nice feather, beaten head; 3, Sutton, similar shape, nuffig.; vhc, c, Johnson; hc, Cookson. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, 3, hc, Johnson, clears, nice round birds, winner excelling in head and neck; 2, vhc, Sutton, var., big bird, nice qual. and head, trifle longer in barrel; c, Fawcett. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Sutton, big clears, rare big heads, should make good stock birds; 3, Fawcett, hen, nice round body and qual. YELL. YORKS. (2): 1, 2, Nixon, tkd. head leading, leggy birds, grand backs and tails. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Wright, not a great length, but nice back and qual.; 2, Whitehead, grand type, lovely wing carriage; 3, c, Nixon, trifle stouter in build, nice qual. and cond.; hc, Bright. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Linaker, clean limbed, very leggy, neat head and qual.; 2, 3, Wright, clears, massive hens, beaten style; vhc, hc, Nixon. BUFF (3): 1, Linaker, nice cl., lovely cond. and qual.; 2, 3, Nixon, trifle longer, but quite so slim. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, hc, Linaker, grand type, lovely head and qual.; 2, c, Nixon, longer, bit frilly on breast though; 3 vhc, Wright, tkd. head and wings, lovely back. BUFF (6): 1, vhc, Wright., big cl., grand length, inclined to crouch; 2, 3, Nixon, cl. and mkd., nice feather, neat heads and shoulders; hc, Linaker; c, Whitehead. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Milburn, greens, massive, rare qual. and cond. HEN: 1, Johnson, rare qual. and type.

REDRUTH F.A.

Sixth annual show, Market Hall, Nov. 28. Entries came up well, especially in Norwich. Cup best non flight was won by T. Sherman, with a typical yell.; old birds' cup, C. Keen, a lovely yell.; silver bowl, best Brit., Hyb., or For., T. Sherman, good Yellow Bunting. The exhibits were well looked after by a good band of fanciers headed by T. S. Sherman, sec., and W. Kemp, treas. Mr. E. White judged Canaries, T. Rowe Brit. and For., and their awards were well received.

NOR. CL. YELL. (7): 1, sp, Martin, good size, nice head and neck, lovely qual., hot col.; 2, Keen, good shape, col., and qual., nice wing; 3, c, Sherman, vhc, hc, Trevorrow. BUFF (9): 1, sp, 3, hc, Kemp, fine cobby shape, well mealed, neat flights, 3 right type, good qual.; 2, Sherman, frille longer, lovely col., qual., and cond.; vhc, Keen; c, Trevorrow. YELL. TKD. OR VARIEG. (8): 1, sp, Keen, nice type and qual., good head, neck, tail, and flights; 2, Trevorrow, fine size, col., and col.; 3, 4, vhc, Sherman; hc, Kelly; c, Kemp. BUFF (7): 1, sp, 2, Martin, fine size, col., and qual., good wings and tail, 2 grand col., well mealed, excellent flights and tail; 3, vhc, c, Sherman, typical, good qual., well carried flights and tail; hc, Kemp. YELL. NON FLIGHT (9): 1, sp, 3, vhc, hc, Sherman, typical, excellent qual., col., and cond., nice flights and tail, 3 good type, nice col., and cond.; 2, 4, Kemp, close up, fine size, qual., and col., c, Keen. BUFF (12): 1, sp, 3, Kemp, grand size and subs., bold head, neck, and front, 3 same stamp, typical all over, hard to separate, finely mealed; 2, 4, hc, Sherman, nice chest, excellent qual., clean cut behind; vhc, Martin; c, Keen. YELL. HEN (8): 1, sp, Keen, good head and neck, lovely qual., nice wings and tail; 2, 4, Kemp, fine type and size, grand qual., short body, nice wings and tail, two gems. BUFF (7): 1, sp, 4, Trevorrow, bold heads, necks, and fronts, excellent qual., finely mealed; 2, Martin, fine head and neck, good qual. and col., nice flights; 3, Kemp; vhc, Sherman. NAT. COL. (7): 1, sp, Kemp, yell., good size, rare head and neck, bold deep front, fine qual.; 2, Faulkner, nice round head, lovely qual. and col., short flights; 3, 4, vhc, Sherman, fine head, full neck, beautiful qual.; hc, Trestrail. HEN (5): 1, sp, W. Sherman, cinn. mkd., good type and qual., nice flights and tail; 2, C. T. Sherman; 3, vhc, Faulkner. A.O.V. (5): 1, sp, 2, W. Sherman, buff cinn., good col. and qual.; 2, Crest, nice body; 3, T. S. Sherman, buff Yorks. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (6): 1, sp, Crews, Bullf., good size and col., jet black cap, and good bars; 2, 3, hc, Sherman, Goldf., nice blaze, fine wings and marking, 3 Bullf., smaller than winner, not quite ready; vhc, Johns. A.O. BRIT. (7): 1, sp, Sherman, yellow Bunting, nice head markings, very steady; 2, vhc, Smith, Redpoll, nice size and subs., well pencilled, sound col.; 3, Crews, Greenf., rich col., finely mkd., steady; hc, Jones. FOR., LARGE (7): 1, sp, Trestrail; 2, Jones. SMALL (6): 1, sp, 2, Nelson; 3, Trestrial.

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POTTERS BAR & NORTHAW F.S.

Annual show, Village Hall, Dec. 3; over 100 birds were entered. Quality all through was excellent, and the running was very close in some of the classes. The committee deserve great credit for the very excellent arrangements made. Mr. Haynes, the able sec., was well supported by Mr. Hunt, Mr. Hills, and others. Mr. R. Bowker judged.

NOR. CK. (14): 1, 2, cup, sp. Kerr, grand bold cl. bull, good head, neck, excellent carr. and qual.; 2, good cl. buff, fails in subs. to leader, grand head; 3, Bell, cl. yell., beautiful qual. and type; 4, c, Drage; vhc, he, Webb. HEN (9): 1, Hills, beautiful cl. yell., excellent type and qual.; 2, Kerr, fine cobby varieg. buff, well up; 3, Hoonej; 4, c, Bell; he, Drage. NAT. COL. (7): 1, Chandlers, cl. Yorks., good type and qual.; 2, Smith, Nor., excellent qual.; 3, he, Walker, close up; res, Burnet; vhc, Smith. YORKS. (13): 1, 2, Ozelton, leader fine yell., splendid length and style, 2 hardly the subs., but another good one; 3, 4, vhc, c, Bell, leaders well up, good style and qual.; he, Peters. GOLDF. (8): 1, Drage, good size and shape, clearly cut bib, of excellent depth of col.; 2, Laurence, hardly so clean cut in bib; 3, Hills, fails in size and bib; vhc, Nott; he, Chandler; c, Burnett. GREENF. (8): 1, Gundry, nice shape, col., and feather; 2, Nott, fails to leader in feather only; vhc, Hills; c, Halsey. CHAFFINCH (3): 1, Nott; vhc, Hills; he, Lawrence. BULLF. CK. (7): 1, Nott, fine, big bird, good shape, full in neck, sound col., wins; 2, Gardner, another good bird, fails to leader in size; 3, Webb, well up; vhc, Newton; he, c, Haynes. HEN (3): 1, Halsey, good size and shape, in good order; vhc, Drage; he, Hills. LINNET (12): 1, Vergottini, good shape and size, excellent feather and markings; 2, Nott, another good bird, loses in size to leader; 3, Halsey, hardly so well mkd.; vhc, Nott; he, Smith; c, Webb. A.O. BRIT., SMALL (3): 1, Vergottini, Siskin cock, in good form; vhc, Lawrence, Redpoll; he, Hills. LARGE (3): 1, vhc, he, Lawrence, leader Magpie in capital feather. MULE (5): 1, Drage, Goldf.; 2, Nott; he, Peters; c, Webb. FOR. (4): 1, Vergottini, Whydah; 3, Drage, Javas; vhc, Drage, Zebra Finches.

NORTH STAFFS. AMALG.

Second interclub show of the Stoke, Longton, Hanley, and Burslem Societies, at Burslem, Dec. 12, New Inn; the showroom is a very fine one, and would be hard to beat. Entries totalled 224, and quality was most creditable. Norwich were not so numerous as expected, but Yorks. were a feature of the show, classes being well filled with birds of excellent quality. British came up well, and proved a great attraction. Mr. W. Yates judged Norwich, Mr. H. Tams British, Mr. J. Pitchford Yorks., Mr. J. Tomlinson Rollers.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Glover; 2, James. BUFF: 1, Bowers; 2, Roberts; 3, James. YELL. HEN: 1, Leese; 2, 3, James. BUFF: 1, Roberts; 2, Walker; 3, James. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Leese; 2, Bowers. BUFF: 1, Bowers; 2, James. HEN: 1, Leese; 2, Bagshaw. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Lawton; 2, Robinson; 3, vhc, Pygott; 4, Walker. BUFF: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, 4, vhc, Pygott. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Lawton; 2, Robinson; vhc, c, Pygott; he, Walker. BUFF: 1, 4, Lawton; 2, Walker; 3, Pygott. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 4, Lawton; 2, vhc, Robinson; 3, he, Pygott. BUFF: 1, Lawton; 2, 3, vhc, he, Pygott; 4, Walker. HEN: 1, 2, 4, Lawton; 3, c, Pygott; vhc, Walker; he, Robinson. LIGHT MULE: 1, Leadbeater. DK.: 1, Bowers. GOLDF.: 1, 2, 4, Davis; 3, Critchlow; vhc, Pickford; he, Hickman. LINNET: 1, Pitchford; 2, 4, Davis; 3, Leadbeater; vhc, Hartley; he, James. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Davis. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Pitchford. SOFTBILL: 1, Dean. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, Dunn; 2, Fox; 3, Kemp. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Colclough; 3, Hulme; vhc, Glover; he, Dunn; c, Kemp. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Leese; 3, Kemp. BUFF: 1, 4, Colclough; 2, Dunn; 3, Fox; vhc, he, Bowdridge. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Leese; 2, Bowdridge. BUFF: 1, Leese; 2, Hulme; 3, Fox; 4, Glover; vhc, Beckett. HEN: 1, Leese; 2, Bowdridge. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 4, vhc, Beckett; 2, Brown, sen.; 3, he, Richards. BUFF: 1, 2, Beckett; 3, Brown, jun.; 4, Richards. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Beckett.; 3, Brown, sen.; 4, Richards. BUFF: 1, Beckett; 2, Richards; 3, Dale. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, vhc, Beckett; 2, Alcock; 3, Dale; 4, he, c, Richards. BUFF: 1, Alcock; 2, 3, Beckett; 4, he, Richards; c, Brown. HEN: 1, Dale; 2, he, Beckett; 3, Brown, jun.; 4, Brown, sen.; vhc, Richards. LIGHT MULE: 1, Hulme; 2, Hartley. GOLDF.: 1, Bowdridge; 2, 4, Hartley; 3, Bate; vhc, Lockett; he, Dean. LINNET: 1, 2, Bate; 3, Bowdridge; 4, Lockett; vhc, Kemp; he, Critchlow; c, Hartley. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Hartley; 2, Hickman; 3, Bowdridge. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Bowdridge; 2, Lockett; 3, Hickman.

CHELTENHAM C.B.S.

Show, Dec. 5, Bayshill Lecture Hall, a very good building for the purpose. This year the show was confined to members and local competition. The committee are to be congratulated on the success of their efforts, a total of 200 entries being a capital response, and the quality of the very best. Most of the winners would have given a good account of themselves in the strongest competition. The exhibits were nicely staged, the room kept at a nice temperature, and the exhibits had every attention bestowed upon them. With Mr. A. S. Treasure as hon. sec., and Mr. W. Pounsett show manager, everything was carried out in perfect order. Their energies were only equalled by their courteousness. Mr. J. H. Payne judged.

CREST (8): 1, 2, 3, King, leader, lovely droop and well radiated, nice leafy feather, neat centre and good back crest, 2 a gr., good wide frontal, not so well filled in centre, 3 gr., nice droop, well filled in., not quite so expensive; 4, Hamlin; vhc, Routh; he, Maconochy. C.B. (1): 1, 2, 3, King, cl., good length and density of head feather, nice entrance and browing, 2 plenty of feather, good wide back, skull, and entrance, 3 well lashed, not quite so long over beak; 4, c, Hayling; vhc, Hamlin; he, Routh. CREST. 1914 (7): 1, 2, King, wing mkd. D.C., yell., good shaped crest, nice centre, droop, and radiation, good body, 2 nearly gr., good wide and long frontal, not quite as well filled in centre; 3, Hamlin, grizzle, nice frontal and neat centre; 4, vhc, Hayling; he, Maconochy. C.B. (5): 1, 2, 3, King, dense head, feather of good length, wide, nice shaped skull, good body, 2 hardly as dense in head feather, 3 gr., rare length of feather on skull, hardly so long over beak; 4, vhc, Maconochy. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 4, Houghton, well-known winner, looking fit, rare shape and suns., grand head, neck, and back; 2, Stubbs Bros., neck tkd., lovely qual. of f ather, rich level col., nice shape, good head and neck, not quite the subs.; 3, Stephenson, grand col., good feather; vhc, Routh; he, Child. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Houghton, good shaped cl., nice head, neck, and back, grand feather, flight., and tail, 2 wing mkd., cobby body, good round front, short flights and tail, capital col.; 3, 4, Rogerson; vhc, Routh. MKD. GR. (8): 1, 2, vhc, he, Houghton, well-known saddle mkd. buff, and eye and wing mkd. yell., looking well; 3, Stubbs Bros., saddle mkd. yell., grand col. and feather, in the pink, not quite so cobby; 4, Pounsett; c, Routh. HEN (8): 1, 2, Houghton, grand shaped cl. buff, nice round head and front, good flights and tail, nice feather and frosting, 2 variegs. yell., lovely f ather, l e shape, good wings and tail; 3, 4, Stubb Bros., 3 head tkd. yell., lovely feather, nice shap , round front, n at wings and tail, not quite the size; vhc, Pounsett; he, Routh; c, Child. CK. UNFLIG. (8): 1, 3, vhc, Stubbs Bros., cl. buff leading, gem for col., feather, and finish, clean cut waist, short tail and flights, good shape, in the pink, 3 good shaped yell., nice col., good head and neck, short flights and tail; 2, 4, Houghton, 2 cl., good subs., capital shape, nice back, wings, and tail; c, Williams. HEN (8): 1, 2, 3, he, Stubbs Bros., 1 wing tkd. yell., lovely shape, feather, and col., good head and neck, 2 wing mkd. yell., nice head, capital feather and shape, good back, best on the leg, 3 buff, grand shape, close fitting jacket, short flights and tail, nice qual., loses in head; 4, Williams; vhc, he, Houghton. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, 2, 3, Routh, leader, slim built, good col. and feather. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 3, Routh, winner good stand and slim built; 4, vhc, Mason. BORD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 3, 4, vhc, Madagan, nice team, close together, and well put down; 2, Elston, capital feather, nice shape and style. BUFF (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Madagan, grand quartette and little to choose. YELL. HEN (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Madagan, another nice team. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, Madagan, capital lot, winner grand feather, shapely and full of style. UNEVEN MKD. (5): 1, 2, 4, Elston, neat wing and eye tkd. buff cinn., nice shape and feather, 2 shapely and good feathered var. yell.; 3, vhc, Madagan, lovely feathered var. buff, nice shape. GR. OR CINN. (5): 1, 2, Elston, nice shaped and good feathered buff cinn., 2 yell. gr., nice shape and feather; 3, Madagan, yell. cinn., capital feather; 4, vhc, Treasure. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (12): 1, 2, Routh, Goldfinches, grand faces, bare, and buttons, well tanned chests and nice collars, in the pink; 3, 4, Elston, nice shaped and good feathered Bullf., neat cap and bars; vhc, Pounsett; he, Madagan; c, Brown. LINNET, ETC. (9): 1, Routh, Linnet, nice cone shape, grandly pencilled, good col., feather, and cond.; 2, he, Brown, yell. Siskin, nicely feathered, well pencilled cap; 3, 4, Elston, nicely mkd. Twite, 4 well pencilled Linnets; vhc, Pounsett; c, Stephenson. GREENF. (4): 1, Brown, nice col. and feather, good skull; 2, Elston, capital feather, close up; 3, 4, Pounsett. A.O. BRIT. (6): 1, 2, 3, Elston, well mkd. Corn Bunting, steady, 2 Yellow Bunting, good col., feather, and markings, 3 nice feathered Chaffinch, good col., well mkd.; 4, Routh; vhc, he, Brown. HYB. (3): 1, 2, Pounsett, Greenf.-Siskin and Linnet-Can., both good feather and shape; 3, Brown, nice feathered dark buff Goldf.-Can. BUDGERIGARS (5): 1, Routh, charming pair of Greens, grandly mkd. and rich col., feathered to perfection; 2, 3, 4, vhc, no name, nice pair of Yellows, good feather and cal. A.O. FOR. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, Routh, grand team, Maroon Tanager, Scarlet Tanager, White-capped Laughing Thrush, and Diamond Sparrows, all in grand form. NOV. NOR. YELL. (4): 1, sp, Mitchell; 2, 3, McNab; 4, James. BUFF (6): 1, Mitchell; 2, James; 3, Fowles; 4, he, McNab; vhc, Lewis. HEN (6): 1, 2, Mitchell; 3, James; 4, Fowles; vhc, Lewis; he, McNab. UNFLIG. CK. (4): 1, 3, Mitchell; 2, James; 4, McNab. HEN (3): 1, Mitchell; 2, James; 3, McNab. BORD. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Beard; 3, Rogerson; 4, Dent. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Beard; 3, McNab; vhc, Dent. A.O.V. (8): 1, c, Fowles; 2, 3, 4, McNab; vhc, James; he, Dent.

BIRKENHEAD C.F.A.

12th annual show, Co-operative Hall, Nov. 22; a great success, about 260 entries; quality was much better than in other years, particularly in Yorkshire and British. Norwich were not quite so numerous, but some very useful birds were staged. In Yorks. section points specials were won by Messrs. Lott, Greatrex, Morton; Nor., Stott, Cooper, Caine; Yorks., Green., Browse, Cooper, Benson, and Young, Barr; Brit., Walton, Philips, Barker; A.O.V., Cooper; sp. best bird and best unflighted Yorks. yell., Hodgkins unflighted buff, Browse; Yorks. green, Barr; Nor., Stott. The novices also staged some grand birds, Mr. Carran winning special for best bird with a grand conditioned Chaffinch. Novice specials were also won by Messrs. Barr, Philips, and Simmons. The gate was good, many of the Liverpool fanciers visiting us. Much of the success of the show is due to the good specials presented by Messrs. Grundy, Browse, Cooper, Mealor, Caine and Lilwall. Mr. W. A. Cowgil judged, and his awards gave satisfaction to all.

YORKS., CL. YELL (8): 1, c, Stott; 2, Greatrex; 3, Alston; vhc, Norton; he, Darlington. BUFF (3): 1, Morton; 2, Alston; 3, Shaw. TKD. YELL. (9): 1, Cooper; 2, vhc, Stott; 3, Morton; he, Adams; c, Benson and Young. BUFF (4): 1, Caine; 2, 3, Stott; vhc, Greatrex. YELLOW HEN (6): 1, Benson and Young; 2, 3, Greatrex; vhc, Stott; he, Morton; c, Caine. BUFF (11): 1, c, Benson and Young; 2, Cooper; 3, Morton; vhc, Cooper; he, Darlington. YELL., 1914 (12): 1, 2 sps., Hodgkins; 2, pool, Greatrex; 3, Stott; vhc, Benson and Young; he, Adams; c, Simmous. BUFF (14): 1, pool, Browse; 2, Benson and Young; 3, Darlington; vhc, Morton; he, Adams; c, Cooper. CINN. OR TKD.: 1, Stott; 2, Hodgkins; 3, Browse; vhc, Cooper; c, Darlington. HY. VAR.: 1, Stott; 2, Benson and Young. NAT. COL.: 1, Darlington; 2, Huddart; 3, Benson; vhc, Shaw; he, Alston. GR., SELF. YELL.: 1, 3, Benson and Young; 2, Cooper. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Benson and Young; 3, Browse. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Browse; 2, 3, Benson. BUFF: 1, Cooper; 2, vhc, Benson and Young; 3, Browse. YELL., 1914: 1, 2, pool, Cooper; 3, Benson and Young; vhc, he, Browse; c, Adams. BUFF: 1, sp. best G.P., Barr; 2, pool, Cooper; 3, vhc, Browse; he, Benson and Young. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Benson and Young; 3, Howlett; vhc, Cooper; he, Stott; c, Mealor. BUFF: 1, 3, sp. best Nor., Stott; 2, Mealor. YELL. HEN: 1, Caine; 2, Mealor; 3, vhc, he, Stott. BUFF: 1, Cooper; 2, Benson; 3, Morton. 1914: 1, Philips; 2, pool, Caine; 3, Benson and Young; vhc, he, Cooper. A.O.V.: 1, Cooper; 2, J. Stott; 3, Caine; vhc, Browse. HENS: 1, Darlington; 2, Browse. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Hall; 2, 3, he Phillips; vhc, Barker. GOLDF.: 1, he, Philips; 2, Carran; 3, Barr; vhc, Mealor. BULLF.: 1, Hall; 2, Walton; 3, Morris. LINNET. H.M.: 1, Walton; 2, Philips; 3, Stott. F.M.: 1, Walton; 3, Philips. GREENF.: 1, he, Walton; 2, 3, Barker; vhc, Barr; c, Philips. CHAFFINCH: 1, Carran; 2, vhc, he, Barker; 3, Walton. REDPOLL OR SISKIN: 1, 2, vhc, Walton; 3, Barker; he, Philips; c, Huddart. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Barker; he, Walton. FOR.: 1, Darlington; 2, Barker. NOV. YORKS., YELL.: 1, he, Carran; 2, Huddart; 3, Hall; vhc, Simmonds; c, Grundy. BUFF: 1, Simmons; 2, Huddart; 3, Carran; vhc, he, Grundy. YELL. HEN (9): 1, vhc, Carran; 2, 3, Simmons; he, Hall; c, Huddart. GR.: 1, Huddart; 2, Barr; 3, Simmons. HEN: 1, Huddart; 2, Simmons. NOR. YELL.: 1, Hall; 2, Barr. BUFF: 1, 3, Barr, 2, Philips. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Barr; 2, Hall; he, Philips. G.C.A. NOV., SELF OR FOUL YELL CK. (14): 1, 3, Rogers; 2, Steinhart; vhc, T. Evans; he, Steinhart; c, Smith. BUFF HEN (12): 1, he, c, Steinhart, 2, 3, Rodgers; vhc, Smith. NOR., SELF OR FOUL YELL. CK. (7): 1, Parsons; 2, Lester; 3, he, c, Stead; vhc, Pugh. BUFF HEN (5): 1, c, Pugh; 3, Stead; vhc, Parsons; 2, he, Lester. BORD: 1, vhc, Collier; 2, c, Longmore; 3, he, Collier.—G. Morton, Hon. Sec.

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KING'S LYNN C.C.

Thirty miles' radius show, Dec. 2, Central Hall. Cup best bird was won for the second year in succession by Mr. C. Handley with a grand young yellow Nor. Mr. S. D. Hunt made a splendid secretary, zealous and most obliging. Stewards were Messrs. R. Harrod, R. Edmunds, W. Earl, E. Gosling, F. S. Taylor, and S. W. Foreman, and they attended well to their duties. Mr. C. A. House judged.

NOR. BUFF (8): 1, spl, Goodman, capital shape, good head, nice sound col., neat feather; 2, Handley, more col., nice shape and style, not so tight; 3, vhc, Beilby, good shape and style, wants cleaning out a bit at the thighs; he, Bird; c, Harrod. HEN (4): 1, Handley, fine bold bird, good type, nice col. and feather; 2, Bennell, not quite so stylish, good shape and col.; 3, Harrod, smart, nice shape; vhc, Edmunds. YELL. (4): 1, spl, vhc, Handley, nice bold chest, capital head and neck, good col. and feather; 2, Goodman, splendid body and feather, not quite so chubby in head; 3, Miss Brown, shapely, nice feather, bit pale in col. HEN (6): 1, 2, Handley, grand shape, col. and qual., neat head, good wings and tail, 2nd grand type, very stylish, not so chubby in head; 3, Harrod, again hardly chubby enough in head, grand type, style and qual.; vhc, Bennell; he, Breeze; c, Beilby. VARIEG. (6): 1, Bennell, eye, wing, cheek tkd. yell., grand type, silky feather, sound level col.; 2, vhc, Handley, neck tkd., buff, grand type, qual, good col.; 3, Beilby, smart wing tkd. yell., grand feather, not so full in head; he, Young; c, Edmonds. HEN (8): 1, 2, spl, Handley, very hot eye, tkd. yell., grand shape, size, fine bold chest, good feather, 2nd variegs. buff, grand shape, deep chest, good shoulders, nice head; 3, Beilby, scapely tkd. headed yell., not quite so fine in feather. UNFLIG. BUFF (4): 1, spl, vhc, Beilby, capital shape, nice col., well mealed, good head, deep chest, tight in feather; 2, Harrod, hardly so bold or deep in chest, nice qual., shows well; 3, Handley, good shape, nice carr. YELL. (5): 1, Harrod, shapely hen, capital feather, rare wing and tail carr.; 2, Bird, very shapely, close-feathered ck., pale in col.; 3, Edmunds, nice stylish cock, not so good in type; vhc, Handley; he, Bennell. VARIEG. (6): 1, 2, 3, spl, cup best in show, Handley, splendid neck tkd. yell., sound, rich, level col., beautiful silky feather, grand shape, capital wings and tail, 2nd eye and wing tkd., grand shape and qual., hardly the same finish, 3rd neck and wing tkd., nice feather, not so typical; vhc, Youngs; he, Harrod; c, Bird. A.O.V. (43): 1, spl, Miss Brown, slim racy buff Yorks; 2, Goodman, close feathered gr. Nor.; 3, Foreman, nice Grey Crest. CREST (1): 1, spl, Foreman, nice even mkd., shapely crest. CINN. (1): 1, spl, Williamson, sound col., nice feather. MULE (4): 1, 2, vhc, Meek; 3, Youngs. GOLDF., &c. (8): 1, spl, Harrod, very smart Goldf., rich col., well-cut blaze, grand back, good bars and buttons; 2, vhc, Meek, large, shapely Bullf., grand cap, good back and bars, nice breast; 3, c, Youngs, good shapely Goldf., nice face, not so steady; he, Miss Ridsdale. A.O.V. (4): 1, Goodman, very smart Greenf. hen, in grand feather; 2, Meek, nice Hawf., well mkd., but rough; 3, vhc, Mrs. Brown, nice little Chaffinch. FOR. (1): Miss Ridsdale, well mkd. pair of Budgerigars. GIFT (6): 1, Harrod; 2, he, Meek; 3, Mrs. Ridesdale; vhc, Bennell; c, Hunt.

CHOPPINGTON C.B.S.

Annual show Dec. 5, Barrington and Choppington Social Club—a suitable room, comfortable in every respect. Birds were neatly staged, and were all seen to the best advantages. Entries were above previous years, and some grand specimens were shown. Mr. Dixon acted as sec. in the absence of Mr. H. Seeley, and got through his work in masterly style, being well backed up with a hard-working committee. Mr. J. Hands, of Ryton, judged; his awards were well received.

NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. (14): 1, T. Dixon, massive build, full bold head, red-hot col., a good one; 2, he, Griffiths, good shape, well cut, not the bloom of winner; 3, Rowell, variegs., very pleasing; vhc, Douglas; c, Hall. BUFF (15): 1, Seeley, cl., neat all through, well built, good wings, very close feather, good size and col.; 2, he, J. Dixon, buff mkd., similar build, grand texture of feather, short and compact, close up; 3, Seeley, cl., very cobby shape, rich qual. and col.; vhc, Douglas; c, T. Dixon. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Reaveley, cl., wonderful size and col., very fine body and shape, stands right across the perch, pleasing exhibit; 2, Hall, large variegs., good round back, deep chest, very nice bird; 3, Rowell, cl., truest shape, beautiful cond.; vhc, Griffiths; he, J. Dixon; c, Seeley. BUFF (13): 1, Seeley, shapely bold variegs., plenty of col., rare head, neck and chest, good wings and tail; 2, Hall, cl. buff, good head, bold chest, sound rich col.; 3, Scott, cheek mkd. buff, good shape, close in feather, loses in size; vhc, Douglas; he, Hodgetts; c, J. Dixon. CINN. CK. (6): 1, Fuller, buff, good col., nice head, good front; 2, vhc, Rowell, lovely yell., hardly so good in head, but pure in cinn. col.; 3, Hall, buff, hardly so rich col., fails a bit in head; he, T. Dixon; c, Thompson. HEN (16): 1, Griffiths, yell., a rare hot one, nice in head and col.; 2, Douglas, yell., not quite so sound in col., grand body and head; 3, Hall, buff, grand body, level col., not size of winner; vhc, T. Dixon; he, c, Rowell. BORD., CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Tully, grand cl., lovely feather and style, very neat head, well balanced wings and tail, in nice form; 2, Hodgetts, tkd. yell., neat body, splendid shoulders and back, nicely braced wings and tail, not so neat in head; 3, Gutride, cl. yell., full of qual.; vhc, Wilson; he, Fuller; c, Rowell. BUFF (10): 1, Seeley, grand feather, neat head, grandly balanced wings and tail; 2, J. Fuller, hardly so neat in head, grand wings and tail, lovely feather; 3, vhc, C. Fuller, grand head, not so good in neck; he, Hodgetts; c, Hall. HEN (16): 1, 2, he, C. Fuller, good head, shapely body and style; 2nd, buff, excellent shape and col., not style of winner; 3, Paxton, capital shape and style; vhc, Rowell; c, Gutride. YORKS., CL., ETC., CK. (5): 1, Henderson, cl. yell., gets well up on perch, plenty of leg, full feathered, good cond.; 2, C. Fuller, cl. yell., grand lengthy bird, slim type, not rounded as winner; 3, he, Hodgetts, cl. buff, grand size, wonderful length of wings, good pos.; vhc, Scott. HEN (6): 1, Scott, cl. yell., good pos., neat wings and tail, splendid length, stands well; 2, c, Hodgetts, cl. buff, well moulded, pot qual. of feather and cond. as winner; 3, Henderson, cl. yell., good pos. and style; vhc, he, C. Fuller. CREST OR C.B. (6): 1, Rowell, grn. centre, well placed, radiation of good size and droop; 2, 3, Dixon, D.C., mkd. wings, good front and droop, inclined to litt at back; 3rd, D.C., good centre, neat crest, not size of winner; vhc, Hodgetts; he, Rowell; c, Douglas. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE (6): 1, Hall, buff gr., neat all through, well filled back, good wings, very close in feather; 2, Douglas, foul tail cinn., good size, sound col. and type; 3, Scott; vhc, C. Fuller; he, Griffiths. PAIR (9): 1, vhc, Seeley, plenty of size, col., and type, win; 2, c, Scott, good pair, close up; 3, Griffiths, sound col. and type; he, Hall. LINNET (10): 1, Paxton, rare size, good col. and markings, a good one; 2, C. Fuller, nice size, good markings, not the bloom; 3, he, Paxton, nice size, good markings and col; vhc, Reaveley; c, Hall. A.O.V. BRIT. (8): 1, Paxton, Goldf., rich deep blaze, nice cheeks, brilliant col., lovely back and chest, grand bars and buttons; 2, G. Hall, Siskin, nice col., lacks in markings; 3, Thompson, Greenf., good size and col.; vhc, W. Hall; he, c, Fuller; c, Douglas. NOV. (10): 1, Turner, yell. Nor., rich col., good cond. and type; 2, 3, vhc, he, Henderson, 2nd buff mkd. Yorks., stands well, good length and col.; 3rd, varieg. Nor., nice size, not the substance of winner; c, Turner. GIFT (4): 1, Humble; 2, Swain; 3, Tonks.

LINCOLN C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Dec. 5, in the cosy and well-appointed Central Hall. The room was neatly decorated by Mrs. R. W. Sisson. Entry was in excess of many past occasions, and quality A1. Mr. J. Willerton, the chairman, is one of the right sort; vice-chair, Mr. Sindell, is an asset to the society, and Mr. R. W. Sisson holds the secretarial reins capitally, and is an indefatigable worker; he was efficiently assisted by his "better half," white Miss Spurr rendered great assistance. Stewards were: Messrs. J. Cordwell, E. Spurr, and R. Walker, most enthusiastic officials. Special winners: Sandiford's, Walker; challenge cup, best bird, Sisson, with a very choice buff mkd. Nor.; runner up, Pinchbeck, a smart yell. yorks; 3rd best, Harris, a Yorks.; cup best Brit., a good Hawfinch, Sisson; medal most points throughout season, Sisson; runner up, Spurr. Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) judged, and his awards were well received.

YELL. NOR. (6): 1, 2, 4, spl, Sisson; 3, Jos. Cordwell; vhc, Willerton. HEN (5): 1, spl, 2, 3, Sisson; 4, Walker; vhc, Willerton. BUFF (7): 1, spl, 2, vhc, Sisson; 3, Walker; 4, c, Willerton; he, Jos. Cordwell. HEN (6): 1, spl, he, Jos. Cordwell; 2, 3, 4, Sisson; vhc, Willerton. YELL. YORKS. (12): 1, spl, Pinchbeck; 2, 4, Willerton; 3, Spurr; vhc, Harris; he, Boucher; c, Harrison. HEN (8): 1, spl, vhc, Willerton; 2, Walker; 3, 4, Spurr, he, Jas Cordwell; c, Pinchbeck. BUFF (8): 1, 2, spl, Harrison; 3, Willerton; 4, vhc, Pinchbeck; he, Harris; c, Jas. Cordwell. HEN (9): 1, spl, he, Pinchbeck; 2, c, Jos. Cordwell; 3, 4, Willerton; vhc, Jas. Cordwell. MKD. YELL. (6): 1, spl, Harris; 2, 3, Spurr; 4, Quincey; vhc, Jas. Cordwell; he, Boucher. BUFF (10): 1, spl, Willerton; 2, Harris; 3, Walker; 4, Quincey; vhc, Spurr; he, Pleasance. HEN (7): 1, spl, Harris; 2, 4, Willerton; 3, vhc, Spurr; he, Jos. Cordwell; c, Pinchbeck. CINN. (10): 1, spl, vhc, Harrison; 2, c, Willerton; 3, Pleasance; 4, Quincey; he, Walker. NON-FED (5): 1, Harris; 2, vhc, Pinchbeck; 3, 4, Hill. MULE (8): 1, spl, 4, c, Sisson; 2, Pinchbeck; 3, he, Spurr; vhc, Boucher. GOLDF. (7): 1, spl, Jos. Cordwell; 2, East; 3, Spurt; 4, vhc, Pinchbeck; he, Sindell. BULLF. (7): 1, spl, East; 2, vhc, Jas. Cordwell; 3, 4, Baines; c, Sindell. LINNET (8): 1, spl, Toyne; 2, vhc, Jas. Cordwell; 3, Baines; 4, Sissons; c, Spurr. A.O.V. (7): 1, spl, vhc, Sisson; 2, c, Baines; 3, Jas. Cordwell; 4, Pleasance; he, Toyne. FOR. (9): 1, spl, 2, 3, Baines; 4, vhc, Toyne.

FALKIRK (Good Intent).

Annual show, Auction Mart, on Dec. 12. There was a total entry of 280, fairly good, considering the Society has lost about a score of members owing to the war. Quality was of a high standard. Spl. best Nor. was won by J. Marshall with a grand cl. yell. ck. of exceptional merit; best young Bord., J. Reid, nice buff hen, shown in the pink; B.F.C.C. medal R. Gentleman, clinking cinn. buff ck., also medal for best Brit., with a colour-fed Greenf. of immense size and substance, beautifully staged. The foreign bird class had an entry of 12 and was a real treat. Mr. P. Arnott had forward a grand team and secured medal for best with charming Long-tailed Whydah in superb plumage. The show was well managed by a very capable committee of fanciers. Mr. Walter Clarkson was again in charge of the secretarial work, and right well he did it. Judges: Norwich, Mr. Buchan, Falkirk; Bord. and Brit., Mr. G. Brown; Leith.

1914 NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Marshall; 2, Leishman; 3, Clarkson; 4, Hutton. BUFF: 1, Marshall; 2, Gentleman; 3, Hutton; 4, Gorrie; 5, Hunter. A.O.V. CK.: 1, Cunninghame; 2, Gentleman; 3, Hutton; 4, Chalmers; 5, Hunter. YELL. HEN: 1, Marshall; 2, McNaughton; 3, Cunninghame. BUFF: 1, Marshall; 2, 5, Gentleman; 3, Hutton; 4, McNaughton. A.O.V.: 1, Marshall; 2, Richardson; 3, 5, Hunter; 4, McNaughton; 6, Burnett. NON-FED YELL.: 1, 4, Marshall; 2, Hutton; 3, Hunter; 5, Aitken. BUFF: 1, 2, Gorrie; 3, Lawson; 4, McNaughton; 5, Hunter; 6, Lawson; 7, Clarkson; 8, Hutton. CREST HEN: 1, Sharp; 2, McNaughton; 3, Macintosh; 4, 7, Whytock; 5, McDougall; 6, Bishop; 8, Burnett. C.B. CK.: 1, Bishop; 2, 3, Sharp; 4, 5, Macintosh; 6, McNaughton. HEN: 1, Macintosh; 2, McNaughton; 3, Bishop; 4, Sharp. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Gentleman; 2, Cock; 3, McDougall; 4, Reid; 5, Aitkin; 6, Cunningham. BUFF: 1, 3, Gentleman; 2, Reid; 4, McDougall; 5, Cock. A.O. BORD. CK.: 1, Spence; 2, McDougall; 3, Gentleman; 4, 6, 7, Reid; 5, Cock. YELL. HEN: 1, Reid; 2, Cock; 3, Gentleman. BUFF: 1, 3, Reid; 2, McDougall; 4, Cock; 5, Cunningham; 6, Gentleman. A.O.V. HEN: 1, Cock; 2, Gentleman; 3, McDougall; 4, Spence; 5, Aitken; 6, Reid. VARIEG. MULE: 1, Richardson. DK.: 1, Hislop; 2, Baird; 3, 4, Bell. OLD. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Clubb; 3, Marshall; 4, Hunter; 5, Lawson; 6, Hutton; 7, Baird; 8, Aitken. HEN: 1, 7, Clarkson; 2, Gorrie; 3, Hutton; 4, Spence; 5, Burnett; 6, Clubb; 8, Aitken. NON-FED CK.: 1, Miller; 2, Hutton; 3, Chalmers; 4, Richardson; 5, 6, Leishman; 7, Muir. HEN: 1, 5, Hutton; 2, Leishman; 3, 6, Miller; 4, Muir; 7, Hunter. CREST CK.: 1, 5, 6, Bishop; 2, 3, McDougall; 4 Macintosh; 7, McNaughton. HEN: 1, McNaughton; 2, Whytock. C.B. CK.: 1, McNaughton; 2, Macintosh; 3, Sharp; 4, Burnett. BORD. CK.: 1, 2, 4, Gentleman; 3, McDougall; 5, Cock; 6, 7, Reid; 8, Sharp. HEN: 1, Reid; 2, Aitken; 3, 4, Gentleman; 5, Cock. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Bell; 2, 4, Gentleman; 3, Hislop; 5, Robertson; 7, Hutton; 8, Aitken. LINNET: 1, Reid; 2, Penman; 3, Robertson; 4, Gentleman; 5, 6, 8, Bell; 7, Burnett. GREENF.: 1, 2, 4, Gentleman; 3, 5, Burnett; 6, 8, Bell; 7, Reid. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Gentleman; 4, Bell; 5, Burnett; 6, McPherson. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Leishman; 2, Miller; 3, Burnett. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE: 1, Gentleman 2, Penman; 3, 4, Robertson; 5, Bell; 6, Miller. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Richardson; 2, Gentleman; 3, Baird; 4, Bell; 5, Baird. SOFTBILL: 1, Bell; 2, Miller. MULE: 1, 5, Baird; 2, Hislop; 3, Bell; 4, Reid; 6, Gentleman; 7, Miller; 8, Aitken. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, Arnott; 5, 8, McPherson; 7, Bell. HYB. PAIR: 1, Richardson; 2, Gentleman. HEN: 1, Baird; 2, 3, 5, 6, Gentleman; 4, McDougall; 7, 8, Miller.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

MY BIRDROOM MONTH BY MONTH.

By A MIDLAND BIRDLOVER.

I DO not claim to set forth here the ideal method of bird-keeping, but simply tell you the method I have adopted and found very successful in keeping my pets in the best of health. The secrets of success in bird-keeping—if secrets I may be allowed to call them—are cleanliness and moderation in feeding.

The first week in January I turn my birds into two large flights; the hens in one, cocks in the other. This is of great benefit to the birds and improves their stamina in readiness for the strain of the breeding season. Any of the birds which seem to be getting too forward I at once put on a plain diet; I also give a purgative in the drinking water. Epsom salts or Glauber's salts may be used. I prefer the latter as it is somewhat milder in action, and also stimulates the liver.

I give a crystal of sulphate of iron in the drinking water this month, as it prevents the birds becoming loose in feather. In place of green food I give a piece of apple or boiled carrot. The seed diet for the month is canary as a staple with a teaspoonful of soaked rape twice a week, while if the weather is severe I give a pinch of hemp and maw, as my birds are in a cold room.

FEBRUARY is my spring cleaning month. The walls of the birdroom are limewashed, as well as the cages, and cages and staging are thoroughly disinfected; also all feeding, nesting and drinking appliances cleansed. I give the bath a little more frequently during this month, but not if the weather is very severe. The birds are still allowed to obtain as much exercise as possible and I do not alter my method of feeding as yet.

MARCH: During this month out comes my breeding register, and I select my birds for breeding. After careful consideration of bad and good points, I decide how the birds are to be paired. The hens are placed in the breeding cages and given a pinch of inga (or niga) seed twice weekly. After the first week I begin to give egg food. The cocks are "fed up." I begin by giving a small amount of mixed seed twice per week, and I gradually work them on to egg food until it is given three times each week. Green food I provide every other day. I do not mate up this month, leaving it until about the first or second week in April.

When Mating is Completed,

APRIL: I give the birds a plentiful supply of cuttlefish, the hens especially. Any birds not in high condition by this time I give a little more stimulating food, also a leaf of dandelion daily. Mating is completed in my room generally about the second week. The claws and beaks of my birds are trimmed, if necessary. I drop the egg food as soon as the birds go to nest until the chicks arrive. I give the bath daily should the weather be favourable, not forgetting to add a few drops of essence of quassia occasionally, say every week. The birds which are not for breeding I, of course, do not allow to have the rich diet of the other birds; their food is plain canary seed and plenty of green food.

MAY: If I have had luck I see a fair number of chicks by this. While the hens are sitting their diet is plain canary and a small amount of green food, with a pinch of rape once or twice during the week. On the night of the thirteenth day I give a small quantity of egg food, using the yolk of the egg only. The next morning what thrills we have if the youngsters have arrived safe and sound! Egg food I now give twice daily—½ teaspoonful pure yolk of egg the first and second days; the third day I mix one-third ground Osborne biscuit with it. The fourth day I add the white of the egg. Green food is given after the second day. When the young are five days old the bath is given as usual. Cracked hemp and soaked rape I give after they are five days; do not make large quantities at once, as it may become sour.

If mother is good I do not move the youngsters too early, and when they are moved I take great care to see that they can feed themselves properly. After ten days the young are given a clean nest (or before, if required) the nest being sprinkled liberally with Keating's powder. Quassia (essence) is put in the bath occasionally. I take great precautions against that pest of bird-keepers, the red mite; the ends of the perches and all joints and cracks of the cage being brushed with petroleum. Let the room always be flooded with fresh air. I consider it one of my most valuable allies. Care is needed, however, that the birds (especially the young) should not be exposed to a draught.

JUNE: My treatment is practically the same as in the preceding month. When the young are capable of feeding themselves, I give canary seed as a staple diet, with a little rape twice a week. Green food is given every day, and sometimes I vary the egg food with a little bread and milk. Allow the youngsters unlimited exercise. Proper diet, and plenty of fresh air and exercise, have made many birds into champions.

In my next I hope to complete the twelve months' work in the bird room, and if this article is of any use to beginners it will have answered its purpose. I wish to warn the beginner not to be too eager and pair his birds up too early. During February and early March there are many mild days, and the temptation is very great to mate your birds. This has brought disaster to and disheartened many a first year man. I never reckon to mate my birds until early in April.

(To be continued.)

CLEANLINESS AND FRESH AIR AS HELPS TO SUCCESS.

By A. HINSON (Birmingham).

HAVING been a breeder of Canaries for over twenty years, I think I am in a position to appreciate the value of thorough cleanliness in the bird-room. The birds should have a plentiful supply of pure fresh air, for just as the fresh air of the country braces up the man who is all day long confined in a stuffy room, so does a plentiful supply of fresh air increase the vitality and health of your birds.

I have fixed to the top and bottom edges of the bird-room window narrow strips of gauze (or wire) netting one inch wide. This allows the window to be open night and day, while preventing mice obtaining an entry into the room. My window is left open winter and summer, and I have no heating appliance. I use a lamp to enable me to see to feed the birds in the winter months, but this is left on only about an hour each evening.

Dealing with the Cages.

I use large, roomy cages, allowing the birds plenty of exercise, the value of which cannot be over-estimated. Each cage is lime-washed with strong lime twice, and sometimes three times, yearly, a month before breeding time, and also following the breeding period. The cage fronts and perches are brushed over with lamp oil, and also the cages before being lime-washed. The sand-trays must not be forgotten, and should be given a coat of paraffin, as Master Red-mite dearly loves the edges of the trays as a place to make his home.

I am convinced that a number of birdy men do not give enough attention to the seed and water vessels. They should be thoroughly washed out in warm water about once a month, especially the water fountains, which are apt to get a slimy coating on their inner surface.

Whether sawdust or sand should be used on the trays has been up for discussion many times. Each has its advantages, but I pin my faith to sand, except during the breeding season, when I use sawdust, as it tends to break the fall of any of the youngsters that get "turned out of home," while many an egg has been saved from breakage by the layer of sawdust on the tray.

Keep Down Their Fat.

The birds should be given a good plain diet and not overfed. Fatness I always think lowers the vitality of a bird; result, it falls a prey to the first disease that comes its way.

During the breeding season great care should be taken that the nest-boxes do not become foul. I prefer the wooden ones, with the perforated zinc bottoms. They may be given a good coat of hot lime-wash, which renders them clean and sanitary, and there is also a good passage of air right through the nest, which is a great advantage.

In closing, the following rules may be of use to the beginner in this fascinating pastime: (1) A plentiful supply of fresh air; (2) clean, roomy cages; (3) good seed (poor seed is cheap at a gift; (4) never get the birds too fat; (5) encourage bathing; (6) remember always the old saying "Cleanliness is next to Godliness."

NOTES ON THE FINCH FAMILY.

By W. VALE, F.Z.S. ETC., (South Norwood).

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases. "How to Feed Canaries," etc.

The family of Finches is a very extensive one, including the Canary, a very favourite household pet. It also includes that omnivorous rascal the Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*) which fulfils the Darwinian theory of the survival of the fittest in its great adaptablity to its environments. Originally it constructed its nest in branches of trees, where it is seldom found now. The Sparrow is the most omnivorous of his tribe, and this is very probably due to a great extent to its living mostly near to the habitations of mankind. Now it prefers a nest in the thatch of a house, or other building, or in a snug hole or crevice in the neighbourhood of the roof of a building of some kind, and it is not over honest in the selection of a nesting place. If it can get the opportunity it will take forcible possession of the nest of a Redstart, House Martin, or even of one of its own kind.

Like all the Finch family, the Sparrow has a sharp and a strong beak which is specially adapted for breaking open and tearing the husks of grain and seeds, and also disbudding trees. If currant and gooseberry bushes are not protected by netting during the early part of the year the crop of fruit will be hardly worth gathering, more especially should there be a spell of inclement weather with the earth frozen, or covered with a fall of snow after the buds of the trees have began to develop.

Good in Even the Sparrow.

However, the Sparrow has its good points, that is it does a great amount of good, like all its tribe, by devouring insects, their larvæ, and eggs. I am certain, were the Sparrow exterminated, it would be sadly missed, and in some cases the sight of it has a cheering effect. When I was carried on shore ill more than fifty-four years back in Scinde, seeing the ubiquitous rascal there quite cheered me up, it being as it were a connecting link with the dear homeland.

There are many persons who condemn the keeping of birds in confinement, where they require very careful and kind attention, but when given it there is hardly any reason for supposing that birds are not as contented as those at liberty, except in the case of those recently caught. They are, taking all the circumstances into account, certainly better placed, that is, when they are suitably managed and kindly treated. By kindly treated is meant being taken notice of and talked to, and it is very erroneous to suppose that they do not very greatly appreciate such treatment. Just a little consideration should make it very evident that birds so kept are on the whole much better off than their fellows in a wild state. It certainly is the case in Great Britain, where they have to contend at times with very inclement weather such as must cause great misery, and in very many cases death by starvation, more especially when they are in misery for want of water. Birds will die off much quicker when they are without water than when they are without food, therefore keepers of any kind of birds in confinement should be very careful to see that they are not ever left without water, and more especially during the prevalence of a rather high temperature.

Were it not that caged birds properly treated are as contented, except perhaps in some cases in the breeding season, as those living in a wild state with natural environments, there would still remain the following justifiable reasons for keeping them so. They brighten lives in many homes, and make life much more tolerable for very many sufferers who do not ever have the chance of seeing birds in their natural environments, or of hearing our feathered songsters in their favourite haunts. It is these human sufferers who would be likely to be the most grieved if they thought that they were causing suffering to their pets

In these articles it is my intention to point out that which, in my opinion, appears to be the best method of managing the Canary, and other caged birds. In the first place it is necessary to allow them as much room as is convenient, and very advisable not to keep them in very small cages. It is also very necessary to keep their habitation in a clean condition, and more especially free from parasites.

It is well-known that birds living in a wild state wash in water, or wallow in dust, and then preen their plumage in order to rid themselves of parasites. The parasite which is by far the most injurious to caged birds is the so-called "red mite." This is of a greyish colour, but becomes reddish when gorged with the blood of the creature on which it has preyed. It lives and breeds mostly in the crevices of cages, or in those in furniture, or walls in the neighbourhood of the cage, from which crevices it mostly sallies forth at night in search of some creature to prey upon. Like all the spider family it is extremely voracious, and soon becomes very numerous in infested places, living on the life blood of the creature attacked.

The poor subject soon becomes anæmic, and if not relieved of its tormentors soon dies of exhaustion due to loss of blood and irritation. When it is noticed that a bird is not thriving, it is advisable to take steps to ascertain whether its condition is in any measure due to being infested by "red mites," which may be done by placing a folded white cloth over the cage last thing at night, and then if any of the parasites harbour in the neighbourhood of the cage, some would be found in the folds of the cloth in the morning.

(To be continued.)

BIRDS IN THE GARDEN.

An "Ancient Inhabitant's" View of the Matter.

THE good and the bad accomplished by birds in the fruit and vegetable gardens have furnished a text for many an argument. In his book, "A Countryside Chronicle," Mr. S. L. Bensusan amusingly sets forth the view of an ancient villager, known as "Father William," in whom the birds have an implacable enemy.

"Father William, did you hear that Blackbird singing in your pear tree?"

"Aye, I heerd th' varmint. 'Mazin' lot o' they birds about th' garden, an' I count 'em a wunnerful pleg."

The old man, on being remonstrated with for having caught a Blackbird in his trap, says, "Lor' love ye, I were always a wunnerful trapper. . . . . I've caught a might o' birds an' varmints in me time. I'm a pore old man, in me nineties, an' I'm tellin' ye th' truth, an' I'll set th' trap agen, an' catch ye another o' they if ye like, or chance times a Mavis. There's a lot o' they, an' werry fat they be. Love ye, I'm allus a'catchin' o' somethin', an' that's th' truth. An' werry good eatin' too, an' no mistake, if ye've them what'll pluck 'em an' cook 'em f'r ye tasty. I can't do ut now, an' it ain't no good f'r me to try."

"Father William," I said, "how would you like this place if no birds came here at all; if you had caught everything—the Sparrows and Starlings in the thatch, the Swallows under the porch, the Blackbirds, Thrushes, Finches, and the rest of them? How would you care for the place then?"

"That'd be 'mazing' fine, to be sure," he said. "If I didn't 'ave none o' they varmints fleckin' my pears, an' tearin' out th' lettuces, an' stealin' me currants an' makin' me buy nettin', I'd 'ave th' best wegetables in th' parish without warkin' as I do for 'em. . . ."

"Truthfully," I said, "don't you care for the birds' song?"

"Ye can't grow peas an' lettuces an' wegetables o' other sorts wi' songs, nor currants neither. But there, there's no 'splainin' to ye. I'm tired o' trvin' to make yo understand gardenin'. Birds is more to ye than wegetables, an' I can't understand it, no more can't the shepherd. . . An' if ye thought more of an ole man what's in 'is ninety, there'd be less time to bother about they birds—and' that 'nd be better f'r ye, an' better f'r me, and' it'd make no difference to they."

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Correspondence.

From a Fancier Interned in Holland.

Sir,—Please accept our most heartfelt thanks for your kind letter and splendid gift of papers and "Our Canaries," which I received to-night. What a splendid book, and, needless to say, my mates and myself were overjoyed when I opened the parcel. They all voted the Editor of good old Cage Birds a jolly good fellow. After looking through the book, I have come to the conclusion that we will know vastly more about the management of our birds after leaving Holland than we ever did before. I thank you again for your kindness.

E. Noble, A.B.

Hawke's Batt., Groningen, Holland.

Is Mixed Seed as Bad as a Disease?

Sir,—I should like to ask Mr. Balcombe a few questions. He says many birds are lost yearly through over-feeding. Well, I have lost many birds after keeping them for about twelve months. I could not make out what was the matter with them, as they were in a good plump condition. (1) How does he feed his birds—when moulting does he give them mixed seeds then, or plain canary and plenty of wild seeds; or plain canary alone? (2) How does he feed at present, and during the summer? What I mean is, does he give his birds any wild seed mixtures, once or twice a week, along with the canary seed? (3) Does he think that groundsel is harmful if given freely? I have been told that it causes inflammation on account of it containing a lot of moisture. I should like Mr. Balcombe to understand that I am talking mostly about the Goldfinch and Linnet, as I have found they are the most delicate when newly bought. I hope others will give their ideas.

John Knight.

Mice and Rats in Aviaries.

Sir,—I don't agree with Mr. J. E. M. Knight that mice do not injure birds. They have killed and eaten three of my birds in a month. I know it is mice, for my birds are kept at the top of the house in a room, no rats about, only mice, and the remains of the birds are always found inside the cages. Some birds roost on the bottom perch, close to the cage bottom; that is how they get to them. I found one completely eaten, with the exception of the skull and a few feathers. I know perfectly well it is mice; so how does Mr. Knight account for that?

B. J. G.

Sir, I lost some birds in. I thought, the same way. Mine were in ordinary Canary cages in a shed in the garden, and a Goldfinch, Bullfinch and Linnet were killed. I thought at first it was rats, but when I found the Bullfinch lying dead in his cage, and not taken away, like the other two birds, I set a steel trap inside the cage and left the dead Bullie for bait. Two days later I caught the culprit. It was a weasel. I should think that Mr. W. Bennett and Mr. R. Maxwell Savage lost their birds in the same way. I have seen plenty of mice in my cages, but they never interfere with the birds.

A. Bellairs.

Sir,—I note that your correspondents, Mr. J. E. M. Knight and Madam A. Feist-Madewell, are in agreement that mice are practically harmless to birds, and the former, whilst believing that they frighten and disturb the birds, thinks they never attack them. A few years ago I had a pet Canary which I kept in an open wire singing cage, with wood sides not less than 3½ins. high. This bird usually stood almost within reach of my hand. Several times the perches in this cage were found to be blood-stained in the morning, evidently from the bird's toes, but with nothing to account for the injury. Knowing this cage had a mouse visitor I watched it closely for a time, and on one occasion, in the very early morning, when the mouse had climbed up and entered the cage—the seed-box being placed inside—the bird roused itself, descended to the perch before the seed-box, and began to squeak at the mouse, challenging its right to be in the box. The mouse at once accepted the challenge, rose up and fought at the bird in a very business-like way, and actually gripped its breast feathers, the position of the perch placing the combatants in close proximity. The bird beat a hasty retreat, but it was clear how the slight injuries to its toes had come about on previous occasions. This is only a single experience of several similar, which have come within my personal observation, so your correspondents must see that the mouse is not quite so innocuous in all circumstances as may appear to them. The species in question was the common (house) mouse beyond a shadow of doubt. The wires in the cage were not more than 3-8th ins. apart, but the mouse, a medium sized one, passed through them quite easily. This again is contrary to the opinion of one of the writers concerning the size of mesh which will keep them out.

Claude St. John.

Several other letters on this subject will appear next week.

If You Want to Know the Time

Consult a "Cage Birds" Watch.

Sir,—I received Cage Birds watch all right on Feb. 16, and I have it well tested by this time. I find it very accurate in keeping time, indeed I must congratulate you on offering such a splendid time-keeper. It does you credit, and dear old Cage Birds. It is a watch that no bird fancier should be without, particularly the working man fancier. You will be parting with a good many of them about here, I am sure, for I will do my best to make them known amongst my brother fanciers, as I am well satisfied with my bargain.

F. Murray.

Affairs of the Yorkshire Canary Club of Scotland.

Sir,—I, as President of the S.Y.C.C., am interested (not otherwise) in these letters from "One Less" and "A Member." To "A Member's" letter one thing might be added, that at the last Scottish National Show a class was given by that society to novice exhibitors of Yorkshires, and it contained four entries—three exhibitors—and not a S.Y.C.C. member at that. Really that was very encouraging for the Y.C.C. to ever think of opening up novice classes at patronage shows. However, I am sure the S.Y.C.C. will willingly do their best for novice classes immediately they find it justified. Personally I would do all I could to support such an object by giving a good special. Novices who have the Fancy at heart might attend the meetings, and the S.Y.C.C. will carefully consider any proposals made, but as you all know business of this kind cannot be adjusted through the columns of Cage Birds.

"One Less" believes the S.Y.C.C. the only club in the United Kingdom that does not give novice classes. Look to our neighbour, the S.N.P.C.; no such classes as novice are compulsory to obtain that club's patronage. Any novice classes at shows are usually inserted in schedule by club holding the show and not by a specialist club. However, there may be exceptions, but the S.Y.C.C. is not the only specialist club not demanding novice classes (as believed by "One Less").

"One Less" refers to the S.Y.C.C. as a "One Man Club," meaning, of course, that the majority of the specials were won by myself. This constitutes a "One Man Club," according to "One Less." Still, when all is said and done, it is the birds that win the specials, and although these birds have done extra well amongst the S.Y.C.C. exhibitors. I have only to point out to "One Less" the last Scottish National Show, and he will see there that they are by no means unbeatable, so it is possible for "One Less" to get a few like these, and then perhaps it would be a club composed of two or more men.

The suggestions of "One Less" at the end of his last letter fall also to be discussed (if necessary) at the meetings of the S.Y.C.C. The manner in which "One Less" would arrange the specials is in my mind excellent, only there is another side to the question. These specials are given by members at their own discretion, and when a member gives a gold medal value £1 1s., he does not hand it to the "One Man" Club and tell him he can place it where he chooses. No, he has more sense, and defines what it is for. Personally, if giving such a special I would like to say what it was for, and would be delighted to hand such for competition amongst novices, if I thought it would be competed for in earnest.

Regarding the judges, the S.Y.C.C. have no power whatever to select or place judges; this is done by societies applying for the patronage. The suggestion of "One Less" to adopt the Yorkshire Union standard cage might be a step in the right direction. There are many Union standard cages in Scotland at the present time, but when on the show bench look different owing to other details being neglected, i.e., perches not the standard, drinkers painted outside and inside, sand, seed, sawdust, etc., in bottoms of cages. If only "One Less" would attend our meetings this matter could be more fully discussed, and his views might be of assistance to the Y.C.C. He must be a member before any notice can be taken of him (except where he likes to attack individuals), so my last words through the press to "One Less" are, that any business anent the S.Y.C.C., no matter what it be, will be only considered at the usual meetings of that club, the proper place for same.

S.Y.C.C. President.

An Early Hatch of Yorkshires.

Sir,—I am pleased to tell you that I had two nests of Yorkshires hatch out on Friday last, Feb. 19, four young in each. They are going on well. Is this not very early for a cold room?

A. Martin.

Enfield.

Why Not an Irish National Show?

Sir,—We have had a Scottish National, a Welsh National, and a Bradford National Show, why not an Irish National Show? At the present time there is not an open show held in Ireland. What are the Irish fanciers thinking of? It could be arranged for the next show season, so as not to clash with any of the big events in England or Scotland. The question arises: Is it the Dublin or the Belfast fanciers who are going to hold the Irish National Show, and earn the gratitude of hundreds of fanciers who will then have a chance of seeing the champion birds of Great Britain, not on paper, but in real life?

Exhibitor.

How Should Cups be Awarded?

Sir,—Now that the show season is drawing to a close, I would like to offer a few comments on the way cups, etc., are put up for competition in the Liverpool district. There seems to be only one way, and that to my mind not a very good one. Local societies offer cups for the most points throughout the year. This way may be all right for fanciers with deep pockets and others who go in for Canary farming, but to my mind the small fancier with a few good birds has not got a ghost of a chance. Not only that, but I maintain it defeats the end for which cups are presented—that is, for the improvement of the various varieties of Canaries, etc. For instance, a fancier is keen on winning a cup, and he knows the more birds he shows the better his chance of winning, so he puts forty or fifty down at a show. He may not get many first or second cards, but he succeeds in gaining a great many minor awards, which bring his points fairly high. Another fancier, who may not have a very large stud, puts down seven or eight birds. Most of his birds are in the money, but his chance of winning the cup is practically nil. I consider the second fancier is doing more towards the improvement of our feathered pets than the first. To give every fancier an equal chance the cups competed for should always remain the property of the society, and a gold medal be presented to the holder of cup for the year, when he returns same. As regards the form of competition, each member should be allowed to star six birds at each show for the cup, so that quality, not quantity, would get the honours. I can imagine some of my fellow-fanciers saying "But what about the drop in the entry fees?" I would say entry fees are not the all-in-all of a society. Friendly competition and an equal chance to all would tend to raise rather than lower show entries. I shall be pleased if other fanciers will express their views in a friendly manner.

Geo. Rawsthorne.

The Heavily-Marked Norwich Class at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Henry J. Davis, I may say first of all that I noted with a good deal of astonishment the remarks of Mr. H. Norman in respect to the "heavily marked" Norwich class at the recent Welsh National show. For this esteemed gentleman to spend a considerable amount of time during the Friday and Saturday in conversation with the officials, judges (including myself), and fanciers generally, and to then depart from Cardiff without being apparently in possession of what was really common knowledge amongst the Plainhead fanciers present respecting Class 29, is to declare that it was really he, and not I, who was caught napping. 'Tis unfortunate, for here was an incident which might properly have been conveyed to the Fancy generally through the medium of a reporter, and unnecessary correspondence and misgivings avoided.

The facts are that immediately my stewards arranged Class 29 for judging, I noticed three exhibits did not conform to the schedule description which read "exhibits to be more dark than light." I pondered the situation, and a perusal of the classification revealed the fact that a class for "variegated" birds proper had not been provided. It seemed to me that the owners of the three exhibits under this unusual circumstance would naturally expect some leniency, and as I had reason to think the omission was an unfortunate oversight, and had not been realised by the management, I decided to place the matter before the Chairman, Mr. E. J. Banks, and Show Manager, Mr. W. Sampson. Both gentlemen agreed with me that the better course seemed to be in allowing the three birds to compete, as being quite the lesser of two evils. I offer no apologies to anyone for my action, the full responsibility for which I accept, and will add that when placed in a like situation I shall not fail to consult other brains than my own, and be guided by the councils of gentlemen who, in holding the balance, are ever ready to weigh down one side for the benefit of the Fancy generally, not being actuated by other than the broadest motives.

In conclusion, I must say that if I accept the attitude of Mr. J. Houghton after hearing the explanation (who also considerably suffered by my seeming oversight) as any criterion of the disposition of exhibitors generally, then I have nothing to fear, for he accepted my decision as a fancier, a gentleman, and a sportsman. I have not had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of Mr. Davis, but nevertheless I am hopeful that after this explanation he, too, will accept the affair in the same generous way as others, and extend to me the indulgence I crave; for if I have erred (and the Fancy must judge if I have) then it has I think been in the direction of the greatest good, for I have been assured that no more shall so unfortunate an incident arise regarding this class at the Cardiff shows, inasmuch as the variegated Norwich will be duly provided for. Therefore, whilst the Fancy generally, including myself, will sympathise with Mr. Davis in his unfortunate experience, every Plainhead fancier will, I am sure, join with me in wishing him better luck next time.

E. W. Allsopp.

[So far as our representative Mr. Norman is concerned we, of course, leave the answer to him. No one will question the motives of Mr. Allsopp and the chairman and show manager in their endeavours to find a way out of a difficulty, but they appear to have overlooked the legal aspect of the matter. The conditions laid down in a schedule form the basis of a contract between exhibitors and show officials. In this case the wording of the class should have stood good unless the consent of every exhibitor in the said class had been obtained to vary it. The fourth, etc., prize winners could claim at law the higher prizes.—Editor "C.B."]

Sir,—Evidently Mr. Davis is not aware that the three lightly marked Norwich were knowingly allowed by the judge to compete in the class for heavily-marked birds, and with the consent (or so I was told at the show) of the show manager. I admit that it was well meant, but at the same time I think it was very ill-advised and objectionable, and most others, besides myself, were of the same view. The wording of the schedule was as plain as daylight, and there was no excuse for any exhibitor making a mistake, yet the three people who do so are allowed to take away the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes, while the nine who adhere to the schedule get between them whatever crumbs are left. I contend that Mr. Allsopp's duty was to stick to the schedule, not seek to alter it because he thought it wrong, and so do an injustice to nine who are in the right, for the benefit of three who are in the wrong. Not only that, but a friend of mine with legal knowledge tells me that the society is bound by the conditions printed in the schedule, and the exhibitors can legally claim and get the prize-money of which they were deprived by Mr. Allsopp's action. I think it is surprising that fanciers who are presumably business men should have overlooked this.

D. Williams.

Woodcock in Somerset.

Sir,—Could any of your numerous readers inform me whether it is legal to shoot Woodcock in the County of Somerset, even if the person has a licence to shoot game?

E. Cockram.

When Judges Disagree.

Sir,—I regard Mr. J. Maddison's letter of last week as sheer ignorance. It is no credit to a specialist British Bird judge when he does not know a field-moulted Linnet from a house-moulted one!

R. D. Parlett.

An Appreciation.

Sir,—I have been much interested in the last two weeks' issues of Cage Birds, and in particular in the article by your old and worthy contributor, Mr. J. B. Waterman. To know such a man is the good fortune of many, and even to read such an article the privilege of us all. What careful thought for the feelings of his readers and anxiety that even the rankest novice should not be offended; what gentle encouragement: but what strength of conviction. In the present rush of life and after the strenuous articles one is sometimes given to digest, to read such contributions is good, very good.

Anonymous

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MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.—Pair show, "Clock House," Clapham, Feb. 17, with 102 entries, rather below last year's figures. Competition in champion Yorks was very keen, the class containing 21 entries. Borders also were fairly strong. British birds made a fine show, 16 different species of hardbills being benched, besides a fine class of softbills. Mr. T. J. Hose arranged and superintended the show in his usual business-like manner. Mr. Robson judged. Principal winners:—CHAMP. NOR.: Teasdale, Whittome. YORKS.: Buckingham, Fairman. BORD.: Lathbury, Cooper. NOV. NOR.: Thorne. YORKS.: Humphries, Phillips. MULES: Cooper, Vale, Madame Madewell, Hathaway, Fairman, Coe. BRIT.: Hathaway, Coe, Vale, Madame Madewell. FOR.: Cooper, Madame Madewell, Hathaway.

EAST HAM C.B.S.—Pair show, Public Offices, Wakefield Street, Jan. 30, the number being well above last year's. The staging was carried out by the show manager, Mr. Webb. Mr. J. Robson judged. Principal winners:—CHAMP. YORKS.: Parker. NOR.: Taylor. AMAT. YORKS.: Farmer, Wilkins and Son. NOR.: Fleet, Gedge. BORD.: Kybert, Potten. NOV. YORKS.: East, Thomas, Pask and Webb. NOR.: Major, Mrs. Stopher. BORD.: Daw, Onslow. GREENS AND VARIEG.: Onslow, Daw. A.O.V. CHAMP.: Parker. AMAT.: Fleet. NOV.: Ferridge, Pask and Webb. FINCH PAIRS: Parker, Mauning. FINCHES: Dalton, Parker. HARDBILL: Parker. Persons desiring to become members should apply to the sec., F. Onslow, 34, Dorset Road, Katherine Road, Forest Gate.

SANDY F. & F.A.—Quarterly show, Assembly Room, Jan. 28. Mr. G. W. Banes, hon. sec., managed affairs in a highly satisfactory manner. A regrettable incident was the failure of the railway authorities to deliver Mr. Checkfield's British and Mr. Bradshaw's Yorks. until 4 o'clock, much too late for competition. Sp. best Can., Taylor; best Brit., Wilmot. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. Principal winners. NOR.: Taylor, Wilmot. Hunter, Papworth, A.O.V.: Croot, Papworth. BRIT.: Godman, Chater, Wilmot, Croot. MULES: Taylor, Wilmot. FOR.: Godman.

PORTOBELLO C.B.S.—Pair show, Masonic Hall, Tower Street, a great success; Mr. J. Leach's judging gave entire satisfaction. Principal winners: BORDS.: Baxter. NOR.: Hogg, Watt, Baxter. SCOTCH FANCY: Buchan, Hogg, Small. YORKS.: Anderson. MULING PAIRS: Vass, Laird. After the judge had finished several members had a try at judging, Mr. J. Buchan coming nearest to judge with 10 points.—Wm. Baxter, sec.

REDCAR C.B.S.—Annual pair show, Crown and Anchor Hotel, Feb. 13, Mr. Wake, Middlesbro', judge. The show was quite a success, members turning up in strong force, and competition being keen throughout. Chief prize-winners: YORKS.: Barker, Dixon, Husband; Marsdy. NOV.: Eastgate, Strickland; Elwick. NAT. COL.: Marsay, Robinson. NOR.: Husband, Harvey; Dawson. MULES: Bray, Green, Husband. BRIT.: Green, Clarke, Bray; Strickland; Marsay, Strickland, Eastgate. FOR.: Boagey, Mrs. Wethey.—W. Boagey, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH SHIELDS C.B.S.—Annual pair show, Feb. 13, Cyprus Hotel. Entries came up well, and quality throughout was of a very high standard, Norwich especially being a grand lot. The genial sec., Mr. W. L. Smith, had everything in grand order, and he was ably seconded by a fine body of fanciers, headed by Mr. W. Thompson, the chairman. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged. Principal winners: NOR.: Winter and Son. Thompson. YORKS.: Butler, Smith. BORD.: Hirons, Scott. CINN.: Winter and Son. MULES: Butler, Hirons. BRIT.: Tucker, Thompson, Winter and Son, Howden, Smith.

Club Reports.

NATIONAL GREEN-MARKED Y.C.C.

Committee meeting, Feb. 13, Mr. W. A. Cowgill (president), chair. Following were elected members, Messrs. C. W. Town, R. Scaife, W. Leach, W. Trevenar, J. Moore, G. Crowther, R. Burnett, J. Bower and W. H. Symes. Decided to hold the prize distribution, and annual general meeting, as soon as possible after voting papers for election of officers have been sent in. Results of competitions, as published in CAGE BIRDS were passed by committee as correct. There are still a few subs. overdue, and I should be pleased to receive them as soon as possible.—J. Chambers, Hon. Sec.

CUMNOCK C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 20. Mr. Mossie, well known in Border circles, gave an interesting display of washing a bird for exhibition. The lesson was very closely followed by all. He drew attention to what was necessary, and what to be avoided to make the washing a success, and the necessity for absolute cleanliness afterwards. The lesson was very much appreciated, and Mr. Mossie was awarded a hearty vote of thanks. The meeting was then opened under the chairmanship of vice-pres. Mr. Thos. Findlay, in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Hainey, pres., and our treasurer, Mr. Nutt. The principal business was the tying up of new cup, and the samples forwarded were voted on, the one fixed on costing £2 0s. 9d., without the shade, leaving a balance of 8s. from the amount subscribed towards the cost of same. Sec. mentioned the matter of yearly ramble, and it was settled to have one this year, as before. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—Alex. Wyper, Sec.

NORTHERN NORWICH P.C.

Following is the list for 1914 over the four shows where patronage was given:—Champ. trophy and cup, best young bird bred by a member, F. W. Laidlow, 71 pts.; J. Morrison, 67; A. Holden, 51; W. McGinn, 45; J. Pierson, 29; H. Wellsbury, 26. Champ. sp., Newcastle, W. McGinn. Nov. sp., Gateshead, C. Wake. Silver spoon winners, Newcastle, J. Morrison; Nov., H. D. Pyman, Gateshead, A. Holden. Nov., C. Wake. Sunderland, F. W. Laidlow. Haltwhistle, J. Pierson. Sorry to see our novice spoons have not been won at two shows on account of novices not competing for same when societies have novice classes on especially for them. I wonder where the Great Northern novice men are to-day that were asking for novice classes. Novice classes up north will probably die down if not better supported. I invite all northern Norwich fanciers to join us, especially novices; we are giving for 1915 a trophy to be won outright in one season, and medal for 2nd most points, besides other specials, two highest birds only to count. Entrance fee 1s., annual sub. 2s. 6d.; further particulars with pleasure. —F. W. Laidlow, Sec., 55, Colston-st., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

HALIFAX O.S.

Annual whist drive and social at West Ward Liberal Club, Feb. 13. 100 members and friends spent an enjoyable evening. After the whist Mrs. J. J. Dunn presented the prizes; Mr. Lord presiding. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing. Songs were rendered by Mr. H. Dale, humorist, and Miss Doris Berry, and a monologue by Mr. Armitage was well received. Mr. J. J. Dunn attended to the gramophone whilst whist was in progress. Mr. F. Clegg was the steward for the whist, and Mr. J. J. Dunn the M.C. for dancing. Messrs. Sweeting and Gough supplied the music in their usual style.—H. Clegg, Sec.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 16. Mr. Gibbins presided over a large attendance. Several minor items were dealt with. Messrs. West and Chambers were elected members. Mr. Jno. Allen elected to judge next table show. Prize-money in connection with Charity Show was paid out. Table show was held; Mr. Gibbins judged.

NOR. CL. BUFF: 1, Day; 2, 3, Moores; vhc, Sturgess; hc, c, Hulse. VARIEG.: 1, Moores; 2, 3, Freestone; vhc, hc, Day; c, Hulse. NOV. CL. BUFF: 1, vhc, Jolley; 2, Butler; 3, Bent; hc, Weldon. VARIEG.: 1, Bent; 2, 3, Jolley; vhc, Weldon; hc, Brooks. HYB. PAIRS: 1, 2, Dakin; 3, vhc, hc, Brooks.—A Freestone, Sec.

WALKLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 12, headquarters. Mr. T. Ridal chair, supported by Messrs. Thompson and Sparks. The attendance was somewhat meagre owing to the change of night, the room being required on the Thursday. The meeting was instructive and interesting. A pairing competition took place. Thanks are tendered to members who brought birds. It was run on novel lines: Each member paid 1d. fee, and the birds were first judged by the appointed judge. The nearest to his placings took 1st prize, competition was keen; several members tied for points, and had to re-judge. Result: 1, Fielding; 2, Matthews; 3, Everard. A vote of thanks to Mr. Furniss for placing the birds brought an interesting meeting to a close. Next meeting March 11, an egg food making competition, entrance 3d., 2s. 6d. added; members provide own materials; judged by those present. Two new members were made.—C. Tomlinson, Sec.

PLYMOUTH & W.C.O.S.

Meeting, Oddfellows Hall, Feb. 16, Mr. W. French presiding over rather a poor attendance. Mr. T. Pope read an interesting paper on advertising a bird show to get more exhibitors and obtain more visitors. The only way of accomplishing this, he said, was to advertise largely, as it was then seen by all fanciers. Some young fanciers who had a few birds would then like to try his hand at showing, and later on become a member. Mr. Pope stated that he always searches the show advert. columns every week to see if there is anywhere he can exhibit. Schedules should also be sent through the post to all fanciers that come under notice. In looking over catalogues for the past ten years, he was surprised to notice the exhibits always keep coming from the same districts. We don't get northern exhibitors to Plymouth. Surely they are not nervous, especially as the train service is really good, and there is an extensive prize list. My conclusion, said Mr. Pope, is that the novice as a rule over-values his birds, and over-estimates the work of showing, and consequently will not exhibit outside his own district. Mr. Pope brought his paper to a close by stating that in a recent announcement it was mentioned that there were new fewer dachshunds and more bulldogs to be seen, which was German decline and British advance. We hope there will be a great advance in the bird world after the war. A vote of thanks to Mr. Pope brought the meeting to a close. —W. Luscombe.

WIGAN ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, Queen's Head, Feb. 13; upwards of 50 members and friends present. A lecture was given, in two parts, by the well-known Roller Canary judges, Mr. Massey, and Mr. Kilshaw, of Bolton. Mr. Kilshaw very ably described the song of the birds present, naming each roll and tour as the birds sang; also estimating the points value of each tour. He also dealt with faulty singing, and the value of points deducted for the same. After discoursing on the points given for general effect, he ended by giving his opinion of the ideal song required for contesting. The subject taken by Mr. Massey, i.e., "The Breeding and Training of the Roller Canary," was also very interesting. Mr. Massey began by advising the kind of stock birds required, the depth and tone of song required by the male, and gave his opinion why indicious inbreeding is necessary to produce a well-balanced song. He also dwelt on the training of the young cocks, a very important and necessary item, of which most novices are ignorant. He showed the importance of having well-trained birds for contesting, and the better chance of success which comes with a little extra trouble. A discussion brought a very interesting instructive lecture to a close. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Massey and Mr. Kilshaw for their services, the result of which was the nomination of four new members.—P. Grecnall, Sec.

GLASGOW & W. COUNTIES N.C.

Annual pairs show, Feb. 20, Good Templars' Hall, Ingram Street; a great success both numerically and financially. Norwich were a well balanced lot, and many new faces were on view. Mr. Jas. McGowan won sp., for best pair, his variey. buff cock being greatly admired. Messrs. Findlay and Hamilton put down good teams. Mr. Findlay held the whip hand in Borders, his only opponent being the sec., but a wee bird whispers that Borders will form ere long one of the strongest branches of this go-ahead society, so Mr. P., you will have to look to your laurels. The class for A.O.V. pairs was quite an eye-opener, containing as it did no less than three good pairs of Lizards (it looks as if the spangle backs are taking a hold here). Yorks., Green, and Cin. Borders and Scotch Fancies. Mr. J. H. Adam had the unique record of securing 6 prizes and 2 spls. with six entries in this class. Many thought his Green Borders (placed fourth) were the best pair of Canaries in show. New members admitted, Messrs. D. McJury, J. Downie, W. Robb, J. Millen, T. Fitzpatrick. The following fanciers gallantly responded to the call for specials for pairs show: Messrs. Cassels, McGowan, Findlay, Pettigrew, and Adam. March 6th was fixed for next meeting and show of Muling and Hybrid pairs, 122, Ingram Street, at 6.30. Four classes: Goldf. and Can.; Linnet and Can.; Muling pairs, A.O.V.: Hyb. Mr. Kerr, Kilmarnock, judged Nor., and Mr. D. McJury, Kilbarchan, the remainder.

CL. OR TKD. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, 7, Findlay; 4, 6, Hamilton; 7, McGowan. VARIEG.: 1, sp., 6, McGowan; 2, 3, 7, Findlay; 4, Hamilton; 5, Bannerman. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, 5, Findlay; 4, Adam. A.O.V. CAN: Grand class. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Adam, non-fed Cinn. Bord., Gold and Silver Liz., Gr. Bord., Silver, Gold Liz., and Yorks; 2, Robb, Yorks.

EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.

Judging competition, Feb. 20, after which Mr. A. Hargreaves, vice-pres., presented the special prizes to Mr. J. Burnell 1st, Mr. W. Waind 2nd, Mr. J. E. Pyrah 3rd. The remarks made by the Vice-Pres. were very interesting, and the recipients ably responded. Early closing somewhat curtailed a very pleasant evening.—A. Walton, Sec.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, Feb. 6. Mr. Geo. Barkess, chair. Balance sheet passed as satisfactory. Table show was held, and proved interesting, especially the F.-M. Greenf. class. Mr. Wm. Tomlinson judged, and did his duty very well. NOR.: 1, 2, Barkess; 3, Simpson. YORKS.: 1, 3, Bell; 2, Simpson. GREENF.: 1, 3, Curry; 2, Carr. Next meeting March 6, when another show will be held; classes: Nor. hen, Goldf., Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, and A.O.V. Finch or Bunting. Mr. Wm. Curry, judge.—Jameson and Johnson

SPRINGBURN, POSSIL PARK.

Meeting and pair show, February 10, Reid Hall, Springburn, Glasgow; Mr. A. Sloan, chair, and a good attendance. Considering rule 16, alteration of date of annual show, decided that it be held Dec. 11th. One new member made. NOR. YELL. CK. and BUFF HEN: 1, sp., 2, Taylor; 3, Sloan. BUFF CK. and YELL. HEN: 1, Sloan; 2, 3, Taylor; 4, Swan; 5, Fyfe; 6, Hunter. YORKS.: 1, Tansey; 2, Hunter. BORD. YELL. CK. and BUFF HEN: 1, sp. Swan. BUFF CK., YELL. HEN: 1, Sloan; 2, Swan. MULING: 1, Sloan; 2, Swan; 3, Fyfe. BULLF HYB.: 1, Fraser. A.O.V.: 1, Fraser. Judge, Mr. Houstou, Glasgow, was accorded a vote of thanks.—J. Waugh, Sec. and Treas.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting Feb. 18, Maskell's Hotel. Letter read from Mr. W. Sampson, Welsh National show manager, thanking members for the help they had given him in making the National show a success. Mr. E. J. Davies gave notice of motion to rescind the cup rules at annual general meeting. Mr. W. J. Lewis was enrolled a member. Sec. was instructed to write for quotations for prize cards for members' shows. Mr. H. C. Smith and Mr. V. Ball were elected auditors. Officers will be elected at next meeting, which is the annual general. Will those members who are in arrears please send on their subs. as I want to place my books in the auditors' hands. I trust that every member will make an effort to attend next meeting.—E. Thomas, Sec.

WALLSEND, MID-TYNE C.B.A.

Annual meeting, Station Hotel, Feb. 10, Mr. J. Beslop presided before a good attendance. Balance sheet was read, leaving a balance of £6 17s. 6d. in hand, which shows the society to be in a prosperous condition. Officers elected: Colonel Pinkney re-elected pres., Mr. J. Beslop chair, Mr. R. McKie vice-chairman; committee, Messrs. Wilson, Stephenson, Scott, Couchman, Masterman, Hymers, Baker, Marfin, Studholme, McQuillan, Johnston, Simpson, Wigglesworth, Craig, Parker; auditors, Messrs. Simpson, Stephenson re-elected; sec. and treas., G. Greenwell. Nov. 6 fixed for annual show, at Co-operative Hall. N.F. show, July 17; a hearty invitation is given to fanciers to join us; for particulars apply to Mr. Geo. Greenwell, 17, George Road, Wallsend.

CLYDEBANK C.B.C.

Meeting Feb. 18, 81, Kilbowie-road, Mr. McGown presiding. After completing arrangements for pairs show we were treated to a lecture on British birds by Mr. Matthew Craig, Tollcross, which was greatly appreciated. Mr. Craig answered a great number of questions to the thorough satisfaction of the members, and was given a hearty vote of thanks. Pair show held Feb. 20; 36 pairs were staged; Mr. R. Jeffrey judged. NOR. YELL. CK. AND BUFF HEN: 1, Docherty; 2, French; 3, Campbell. B.C. AND Y.H.: 1, French; 2, Campbell; 3, Docherty. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Kane. BORD.: 1, 3, Laing; 2, McArdle. PAIRS—LINNET AND CAN.: 1, 3, Chambers; 2, Laing. A.V. (EX. LINNET): 1, 2, Kane; 3, McKeown. HYB. PAIRS (BULLF. HENS): 1, McKeown; 2, Laing; 3, Ferguson. A.V. (EX. BULLF. HEN): 1, 3, McArdle; 2, Ferguson.—Wm. Kane, Sec.

WEST BROMWICH C.B.S.

General meeting, Feb. 9, with a good muster of members. Balance sheet was read showing a cash balance of close on £7, which was considered very gratifying, the society not being very strong numerically in members. It shows what can be done when everyone works for the benefit of his society, and the sec. thanks all members for the way in which they have helped to put the society on so sound a financial basis. No change was effected in officers for 1915, showing that members are satisfied with their past year's services. Fanciers in the district would do well in joining this society, novices especially, as no society does more for them; all information can be had from the sec., 1, Hayes Street, West Bromwich. The society, in addition to the silver cup, has decided to purchase a shield for competition at members' shows, novices to compete for same in their own section; to be won three times in all before becoming the property of any exhibitor. Decided to hold first show, Feb. 23, Mr. J. H. Roe, judge. Open show fixed for Nov. 19, 20. A vote of thanks was tendered to editor of CAGE BIRDS for services rendered by publication of reports, etc.—W. G. Andrews, Hon. Sec.

ROCHDALE (Good Intent) C.B.S.

16th annual meeting, Feb. 10, with good muster of members. Mr. T. H. Collinge, president, in the chair. Sec. gave his report of the year's working, which was very satisfactory, considering that the district was badly hit during the opening period of the war. Holding our show on a decreased entry fee, so that all members could compete, we received an entry of almost 200 for a members' show, and had added a few members during the year. Treas. gave the financial report, which revealed a balance of over £3, the most we have had for some time; this gave all of us complete satisfaction, and we have decided to work a course of lectures, etc., for the coming year, for which we hope to secure the services of the best fanciers. A small committee is to be formed with that object, and we hope that fanciers in the district, whether member or not, will keep on the lookout in CAGE BIRDS for the dates of the lectures, as there are many in the district who are not connected with a society, having only a bird or two; they will be made quite welcome. Officers for year elected. Our late sec., Wm. Adams, owing to important business, could not be prevailed on to take office again, although he was hard pressed to do so. A vote of thanks was passed to retiring officers, who suitably replied. Pres., Mr. T. H. Collinge; sec., E. Lord, 123, Lomax Street, Rochdale; treas., Mr. R. Hincoe; committee, Messrs. Conpe, A. Howarth, Butterworth, Francis, and Colling; auditors, Messrs. Lees and Colling; delegate to affiliated C.B.S., Mr. A. Howarth. Six new members were elected.—E. Lord, Sec.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

(For Rules, see last week's issue).

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

MOULTING AND WHEEZING (M.P.).—You must see that the bird is not exposed to cold draughts or extreme and rapid fluctuations of temperature. Keep it in a comfortable place where the temperature is fairly equable, but it need not be overheated. If in a room where the temperature drops considerably at night a light cover over the cage will do no harm. The bird should not be moulting now. August to November is the natural moulting season for Canaries. Give your bird a staple diet of plain canary seed only. In addition give separately every second day half-a-teaspoonful of scalded summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. Twice a week give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. For three days add to the water ten drops of lemon juice and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel every second day for a fortnight.

SITS HUDDLED UP (T. Nicholls).—No, it is not right for a bird to be moulting now, especially as it moulted at the proper time last autumn, but it is probably a victim of the very adverse weather conditions we have had of late. See that it is not exposed to direct cold draughts, or rapid extremes of heat and cold. In addition to its usual seed diet give every second day half-a-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and springled with maw seed, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats, and a morsel of banana or watercress. In the water add six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel every second day until the feathers cease dropping. The dropped wing is of no importance, and will pass away as the bird gets into a more vigorous condition. The song also will probably return soon after the moulting is stopped.

REARING A PET (C. L. F., Finchley).—(1) Leave the young with the parents until ten or twelve days old, then take one or two, as you may prefer—two would be better than one, on account of one helping to keep the other snug and comfortable—and place them in a snug nest and keep them in a comfortable warmth, with a light woolien cover placed lightly over the nest until birds are well feathered. Make the usual egg or soft food into a soft paste by the addition of a little water, and feed the birds with this every two hours from dawn till dusk. A "fil-up" feeder is useful for the purpose, but a small wood spill trimmed at the end into a spatula shape does very well. Take up tiny morsels of the food on the end of the feeder, lightly touch the tips of the beaks with it, and when they "gape" pop the food well back into the throat. Repeat the process as long as the birds will "gape" eagerly at each meal. Three or four times a day mix a small proportion of finely minced green salad with the food you give them. (2) No, the young will not be able to pick up soft food at twelve days old. You will have to feed them by hand as described in No. 1 for two or three weeks, or until they can feed themselves well on soft food made into a crumbly mass and cracked seeds. (3 and 4) See Mr. Norman's replies for replies to these queries, which should have been sent on a separate sheet of paper.

SEED SAMPLES (Miss V. Bates).—The canary seed is rather small, but it is plump, well-ripened and very sweet, and of excellent all-round quality. It contains a number of kernels without husk, which may possibly indicate that mice have access to the bulk, or it may have occurred in transit. Apart from the possibility of mouse contamination, there is nothing whatever wrong with the seed. The mixture is quite a good one for occasional use, say, to give two or three times a week as a change in place of a staple diet of plain canary seed. The quality is good. If your losses continue you would do well to send one of the bodies to our Mr. Yates for post-mortem, and thus make sure of the cause. Otherwise, better write again and give particulars as to the way the birds are affected.

VARIED (A Novice).—(1) If either of the two birds is a cock it is the one that puts its beak in the other's to feed her. The other bird, which should be the hen, will probably be fluttering her wings a little meanwhile. But I should not say they are ready to put together, even that the supposed cock does nothing but "sweet." Separate them for another month or so, and give the cock a little egg food every second day, and on the alternate days half a teaspoonful of mixed seeds and two leaves of crisp young dandelion, until he comes into good song. Then you may mate him with some chance of success. (2) If you have the means of maintaining an equable temperature in any circumstances there would be no objection to mating the hen that has already been laying. But, frankly, I fear she is one of those abnormally prolific hens which never do any real good. Still, it may be satisfactory to you if you give her a chance. (3) Tonic seed is useful in a seed mixture for occasional use, and most fanciers use it in

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CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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this way, but I doubt whether it is given as any material portion of the staple diet. Given in any quantity, if consumed, it should form a useful tonic and appetising seed. (4) If weather is favourable the last week in March or the first week in April is the best time for mating Norwich, or, for that matter, any other variety of Canary.

TWO BORDERS (J. W.).—(1) The disposition of this bird towards the young after the moult commenced last season is not very extraordinary, as they often alter in disposition when not in good breeding condition. You ought to have removed him as soon as you saw the moult had begun. Treat him now the same as advised to "M. P." in this issue, but instead of the gentian mixture dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the water two days in every three until the feathers cease dropping. (2) You do not say whether this bird moulted in the ordinary way last autumn. If it did not, then you need do no more than throw a light cover over the cage, keep the bird in a comfortable temperature, and let the moult finish in the ordinary course. But if it moulted in autumn treat it as No. 1.

A DROWSY SUBJECT (H. B.).—You are certainly sparing enough with particulars. Still, I think it very likely there is little wrong except constipation. Give a morsel of bread and milk every second day for a week, and on the alternate days a good-sized spray of watercress or some other green salad. Every second day for a week give in the drinking water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice, and in the next week give instead six drops of tincture of gentian and four of dilute sulphuric acid. If this does not put matters right, please write again and give fuller particulars.

F. WHELAN.—Replied to by post.

CRAMP IN LEG (E. F.). It is quite impossible to give any satisfactory advice in such a case without knowing something of the nature of the cramp, and the causes which led up to it, about which you say nothing at all. It may have been a paralytic attack, for instance, which is far more likely in a cage bird. If the leg appears to be gradually regaining strength, you cannot do better than let it rest as quietly as possible; see that it has well-fitting and suitable-sized perches, conveniently placed, and you may aid recovery to some extent by giving, every second day for a week or two, a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and on the alternate days add 20 drops of chemical food to the water. If this does not have the desired effect in a month or so, you had better write again and give full particulars about the bird's condition, and how you have treated it.

CAGES AS FIXTURES (Bottled).—You certainly made a big mistake to build your cages as fixtures, as you now find when you want to overhaul them. Even a worse difficulty would face you if you were so unfortunate as to have a case of contagious disease in your stock, and wanted to isolate that particular case to prevent it spreading, or had to deal with an infestation of insect pests in any particular compartment during the breeding season. It would have been infinitely better to have built a rack and made each cage separately, so that any one could have been removed for any purpose without disturbing the rest. Your present difficulty is really very slight, as there will be no harm whatever in distempering the cages with any of the "water paints" on the market, such as Hall's Sanitary Distemper, whilst the birds are occupying a portion of them, providing you do not do sufficient at a time to cause much dampness in the air as they are drying. You may, for instance, place the birds in the bottom tier, and distemper top tier, allow this to dry, then do the second tier; when this is dry remove birds to top tier and do the two bottom tiers one at a time, allowing them to dry between while as wet the top tiers.

CAUSE OF DEATH (K.W.L.).—Only a post-mortem could satisfactorily reveal the cause of death in such a case. It is, however, not very unusual for a bird in high condition to die quite suddenly in this way whilst singing violently, and the cause is generally to be found in a ruptured blood vessel in some vital organ. Or it may occur just as suddenly from shock on seeing any unusual object. It is exceedingly unlikely that the bird not moulting had anything at all to do with its sudden death.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BREEDING MULES (Daniel D. Evans).—To give you full particulars about breeding Mules would take up more room than allowed in these answers, and as you are quite a beginner I would advise you to procure one of our books on Hybrid breeding, and in future watch CAGE BIRDS for any information on the subject. (1) You need not have a separate room for Mule breeding, it can be managed in the room where you keep your Canaries. (2) It is the usual thing to remove the first three eggs as soon as they are laid by the Canary, for most Finches are almost certain to break them. Further, if the eggs are so removed, and replaced when the hen has laid three, the young are all hatched together and receive the same attention. While the hen is sitting the Finch should be removed to another compartment of the cage.

KEEPING TITS (Alpha). If your wire netting is genuine half-inch you will be quite safe with your Tits, but five-eighths mesh is frequently sold for half-inch, and, if you use it, you will find that the Blue Tit will manage to squeeze through one of the holes a shade over correct size.

BLACKBIRD QUESTIONS (Bird Shop).—An exhibition Blackbird should not be confined in a small cage, as it is essential to keep his plumage in the best possible condition. A good stock cage should be 30 inches long, 11 inches deep, and 16 inches high. The show cage need not be so large, as the bird is only in it for a day or two. It should be 20 inches long, 16 inches high, and 10 inches deep, and if the top of the front is bowed over about an inch it allows the bird to be seen more easily by the judge. Two good strong perches fastened into the back of the cage are sufficient. A good colour for the interior is pale blue. The Song Thrush could be kept in a similar stock cage, but his show cage need not be quite so large, 18 inches in length would be sufficient. This should be painted inside a fairly bright middle green.

BREEDING LINNET MULES (C. L. F., Finchley).—With ordinary attention you will not have much trouble to breed Linnet Mules. Put the birds in a two-compartment cage, let them fly together for a couple of weeks, then separate them, but place the cages so that they can see each other. Feed the Linnet well with an extra spoonful of mixed seeds two or three times a week, and a little cracked hemp, also green food as procurable, not forgetting dandelion, which is splendid food for all birds in the spring. When the Linnet is in full song, with a dark blue-grey beak, he is fit for breeding. A little extra egg-food will assist the hen if she is at all backward. (2) The young can be reared on the same food as used for rearing young Canaries, with, of course, a good supply of wild seeds and green food.

LINNET NOT SINGING (G. Saunders).—I rather suspect that the reason your bird does not sing is because it is a hen. As you say you do not know much about birds, it is just possible you have chosen the wrong one. If you can handle the bird, just catch him, place him on his back in the palm of the hand, and turn up the breast feathers with the finger or a lead pencil; if you can detect a reddish tinge on the edges of feathers the bird is a cock, if not, it is, of course, useless as a song bird. If a cock bird, give a little extra hemp, and he will soon be on song.

BULLFINCH AILING (E. M. T.).—You appear to have treated your bird quite successfully, and pulled him through a very bad illness. I think the attack can be put down to indigestion caused by a long diet of dry seeds. As the weather improves and you are able to gather various kinds of wild food for him, he should regain his usual health. It would not be wise to continue your present method of feeding indefinitely. Give a little maw seed, and other seeds sparingly. Soak canary, rape and teazle, and give a spoonful daily. Also sprinkle some on pieces of flannel and keep damp, placing it in a warm corner until it germinates, when he can be offered a fairly liberal supply of it. On fine days let him bathe freely; this will help him as much as anything. Feed him only moderately on sunflower and other fattening seeds.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual", (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

MOULTING A BLUE TIT (Mrs. Rice).—Very few fanciers will take the trouble to moult a Blue Tit, as they are so easily caught. If you still have your bird in the autumn, hang him outside as much as possible, and feed in the usual way, with an extra allowance of ants' eggs and small insects, such as green fly, caterpillars, house-flies, etc., and a piece of mutton suet suspended to the wire front of the cage. With this extra attention you will no doubt succeed in moulting him, but I am afraid he will not come out quite so rich in colour as the wild birds, although with care he should improve as the winter advances.

KEEPING A WOODLARK (W. D.).—The Woodlark is not a very difficult bird to keep in confinement, but is just a bit more delicate than the Skylark. It should have a cage about 20 inches long, with a couple of perches in it. This cage need not be very high, 10 or 11 inches is quite enough. I have found that the better you feed the Woodlark the more song you will get out of him. Therefore purchase a good brand of insectile mixture and take sufficient for the day and make crumbly moist by mixing it with a little scraped raw carrot, boiled potato, and occasionally a few drops of new milk. To this food should sometimes be added a little chopped hard boiled egg. He should also be supplied with insects, such as small caterpillars, beetles, green fly, house flies, live ants' eggs, or any creepy things that come to hand. Keep his cage clean, or his feet will soon become clogged, and on cleaning out days run him into a spare cage, and lightly spray him; this will improve his plumage and assist in keeping down insects.

MULE BREEDING (Miss Topping).—I presume you have already some British birds, and hen Canaries. Select those you are going to pair, and put each pair in a good big cage, so that they get used to each other. Let them be together for a fortnight, then separate them, but place them so that they can see each other. Keep them like this until they are both ready for breeding. If the cock bird is a Goldfinch, he will be in full song, and will sing at the hen, swaying himself and spreading his wings and tail. His beak will also be clear. The hen will call, repeatedly bouncing from perch to perch, and flapping her wings. When they are in this condition, put them together, giving a nest box or pan, and plenty of nesting materials. Remove the eggs as the hen lays them, and when she has deposited three, return them to the nest, when she will proceed to incubate. When the hen is expected to lay, the Goldfinch should be shut off each night, and he should be taken away entirely while the hen is sitting. This is only a rough outline of the management; for full particulars you should procure one of our books on Hybrid Breeding. It would interest you immensely, and give you a lot of valuable information.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AMAZON NOT TALKING (Oldham).—If the facts are really as stated, the bird should soon begin to utter the words it is alleged to have learned, though some individuals take longer to settle down than others, and many established talkers are often very quiet during the moult. Yours is quite a young bird, and even if it should forget what it has already learned, as soon as it is tame and accustomed to you it should begin to mimic and repeat words and sounds it hears going on around it. I know an Amazon which had been a pet in the nursery, which is most amusing, as it records at intervals all the joys and woes of child life. I should advise keeping it till within a fortnight of the expiration of the warranty, then if you are not satisfied with it insist upon a suitable exchange.

WHAT BIRD? ETC. (Zebra).—The coloured figure is that of the Nonpareil Bunting, a North American species, once freely imported; now its importation is forbidden. However, a few still leak through, and it is a well-known bird. (2) Though it is an African, and not a South American species, I think it is the Grey Singing Finch to which you refer. There are a number of small Grosbeaks of the genus Spermophila, indigenous to South America, and it may be one of these, as the whole genus are endowed with a fair song, but if "here" means the British Isles, then I think the birds must be Grey Singing Finches. At the moment the vernacular name does not help me.

FINCHES, PARRAKEETS AND LORIES (P. J. W.).—(1) I am afraid this is beyond the scope of this column. Many have been bred, and there are also many that have not: Tri-colour and White-headed Mannikins; Violet-eared Waxbill; Bluish, Lined, Reddish, and Melba Finches have not been bred, and very many others. There is a list of my own published of species which have been bred entitled "Species and Hybrids which have been Bred," covering all orders of birds. Parrots, Macaws, Cockatoos, Parrakeets, Conures, and Lovebirds can all be classed as seed-eaters, but fruit should be offered to all. Lories and Lorikeets are brush-tongued Parrots, and should be fed largely on milk-sop and ripe fruit, though some species eat a considerable quantity of seed. Your aviary should answer well, and if you repeat query, stating definitely whether you desire rare and unbred species of Parrakeets, I will name a list, or, if you prefer it, send me a stamped and addressed letter per Editor, and I will put you in the way of getting them.

EYE TROUBLE (Lincoln Imp.).—If the film is an actual growth, then you must take it to a vet. and let him make a pronouncement upon it, but it is not all vets. that will undertake birds. If it is only a swelling, bathing the eye with a solution of rose water and zinc (from any chemist) may give relief. After the bathing you must dry with a soft cloth and keep the bird in some warm position that is free from draught. Give it every-fourth day one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Accrington C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Crown Hotel, 8. Alterations of rules for cup competition, and entries for pair show, Mar. 11.—D. Harwood.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Mar. 2, St. Thomas' Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel Street), 8. Table show British (Goldf. or Bullf.), Siskin, Linnet, Redpoll or Twite, A.O.V. Hardbill, Muling Pairs, Hyb. Pair. Judge, Mr. W. Fairhurst.—J. Spencer.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—Mar. 2, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Lecture on British Birds by Mr. Harrop, and ordinary bus. Fanciers cordially invited.—J. Whitehead.

Bramley O.S.—Feb. 27, Carnival Rooms, 8. Distribution of specials; if not claimed will be forfeited.—F. Page.

Bristol East C.B.S.—Mar. 1, headquarters, Glasshouse Hotel, 7.30. Lecture on Hardbills by Mr. Bull; also pair show British and Mules.—W. J. Norman.

Birtley, Chester-le-Street and Pelton Fell (Amal.).—Feb. 27, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, 6. Continuance of amalg. or otherwise, and other business. New members invited.—R. Ward.

Bootle C.B.S.—Mar. 2, St. Andrews Parochial Hall, Linacre Road, 8.—A. E. Huyton.

Burnley C.B.S.—Feb. 28, Club Rooms, 5, Mosley Street, 7. Lecture and washing exhibition by Mr. Jude Hayhurst. Fanciers are given a hearty invitation. J. Moorhouse.

Blaydon C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Adjourned annual meeting; election of officers, etc.; local fanciers heartily invited.—G. Hayver.

Bolton C.B.S.—Mar. 2, Joiners' Arms, Deansgate, 8. Special business, including re-election of officers; fanciers invited.—P. Brierley.

Burnley O.S.—Mar. 3, Star Inn, Church Street, 7.30. Mr. T. Lingard will give a lecture on "Pairing up." Now, fanciers, please call and join us.—T. Chadwick.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Mar. 2, New Inn, 8. Annual meeting, election of officers, table show, yell. cocks, buff hens, hens A.V.—A. Wood.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Feb. 27, Club Hall, 6.30. Rules, etc.—W. H. Christer.

Chorley C.B.S.—Mar. 3, White Lion Inn, 7.30. Important bus.—J. H. Welch.

Cinnamon-marked Y.C.C.—Mar. 20, The Market Tavern, Bradford, 6.30. Prizes for the competitions will be presented. Suggested smoking concert; full particulars later.—R. Garnett, Sec.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, 8.30. Present balance sheet, pay members' prize money, and general bus.—J. H. Jones.

Clapham C.B.A.—Mar. 2, 8. Distribution of prizes won at pair and Finch show.—T. J. Hose.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Bennett's Tea Room, 7. Judging competition; buff cocks only; staged at 7.—A. Southworth.

Coventry O.S.—Mar. 3, Sydenham Palace, 8.30.—A. Green.

Darlington C.B.S.—Mar. 3, George Hotel, 7.30. Pair show business for Sat., Mar. 6. Yorks., Nor., A.O.V. Muling and Hyb. Pairs.—H. Todd.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Mar. 2, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, S.E. Members' annual pair show. Birds staged 7.30. Judge, Mr. J. Robson.—D. Reeks.

Dundee City C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Doig's Rooms, 8. Important show business.—A. Law.

Edinburgh North Eastern C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Regent Hall, Abbeymount, 8. Annual general meeting; very important business.—R. S. Spence.

Edinburgh Norwich and M.B.S.—Mar. 4, 142, High Street, 8. Election of judges, classification, and other show business; pair table show: Nor., Bord., Muling and Hyb. Pairs.—J. Stormont.

Edinburgh Western O.S.—Mar. 4, Riego St. Hall, 8. Table show, 4 classes. Mr. R. Craig has kindly promised to judge. Every member expected to bring at least 2 entries. No entrance fee.—C. Grant.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Feb. 27, Grange Congregational School. Social and prize distribution, 7.—A. Firth.

Great Horton O.S.—Feb. 27, Station Hotel, 8. Also members' show; birds staged 3. Judge, P. Mason.—A. W. Hartley.

Guisborough C.B.S.—Feb. 27, Wear's Cafe, 7.30. Discussion on the year's prospects. Pair show: prize money allotted; seed samples on view.—A. Knaggs.

Halifax C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 8. Syllabus, etc.; important.—A. Sutcliffe.

Hanley C.B.S.—Mar. 3, 28, Mayer Street, 8. Open show business; new members cordially invited.—C. Beckett.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Mar. 3, St. George's, 8. Gen. business.—J. W. Thornton.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Mar. 2, The Nightingale, High Road, Wood Green, 8. Table show; judge, Mr. J. Hedder. Points specials as last year. Champ., Amat., and Nov. Section.—P. Brooks.

Hull C.B.S.—March 1, Oddfellow's Hall, 7.45. Meeting, and British bird show.—W. Furnandiz.

Islington F.A.—Mar. 1, Headquarters, 8.30. Gen. business, and arrangements for season.—W. A. Bibb.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Sawley Road Council Schools, 7 and 7.30. Usual business.—G. Baines.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Mar. 6, Y.M. Halls. Pairs show, staged 4.30, open 6 to all fanciers.—A. Thomson.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Mar. 4, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Important business, selection of judges for Union. Please note alteration of meeting night owing to Tong C.B.S. supper.—W. H. Symes.

Leigh C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Paper discussion.—R. Charleson.

Laisterdyke Bowling and Tong Combination.—Mar. 3, Hand and Shuttle, Dudley Hill. Supper, 6.45. Presentation of prizes at about 8. President, Mr. Uttley will officiate.—J. E. Hudson.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Mar. 2, White Swan, 7.30. Table show. A. Freestone.

Middleton C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Old Boar's Head, 8. Young bird trophy; new members enrolled; members please turn up for cards.—J. Hulton.

Middlesbro' and Tees-side C.B.S.—Mar. 7, Crown Hotel. Owing to early closing, meeting to open 7 sharp. Question night, and other business.—T. C. Deans.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Mar. 1, Deansgate, 8. Syllabus for evening year, etc.—F. Wilkinson.

Morley C.B.S.—Mar. 2, Shoulder of Mutton, Bruntcliffe, 7.30. Show business. New members and friends welcome.—W. Bywater.

Newcastle upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Adjourned annual meeting; election of officers, discussion opened by Mr. Tindall "Pairing, Breeding, and Rearing Canaries." Question of shows.—J. W. Reed.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Mar. 2, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Lecture by Mr. Schofield, Failsworth. "Canary Breeding in General." A hearty invitation to non-members.—A. Colley.

Nelson Colne C.B.S.—Mar. 2, 117, Every Street, 8. General, etc.—D. Watts.

New Cross C.B.S.—Mar. 4, The Salisbury Hotel, Clock Tower, Lewisham, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. Frank Cole on Canary Management. Fanciers invited.—Burton Bros.

Northern Border and S.F.C.C.—Mar. 3, Pillar's Cafe, 7. Annual meeting and election of officers. Supper, 1s. per head.—M. C. Potts.

Oxford C.B.S.—"The Welsh Pony," George Street. Pair show, 7. A. F. Fifield. (Date not stated.—Ed.)

Perth City and County O.A.—Mar. 1, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Business important re cups and rules.—J. L. Smith.

Pudsey and Stanningley C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 7.30. Very important.—Roy Kell.

Portsmouth F.S.—Mar. 1, Star Hotel, Lake Road, 7.30. Annual meeting. To pass accounts for 1914, and elect officers for 1915.—G. J. Kinton.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Feb. 27, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Discussion of judging standard, and other business.—A. Percival.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Granby Hotel, 7.30.—W. Jagger, Sec.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Mar. 2, Warcing's Dining Rooms, 8. Minutes of last meeting and other business. Please note alteration of meeting night.—G. Lord.

Reading C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Palmer Hall. Members' pair show. Judge, Mr. A. Lewin, Oxford. Staged 6.30. Fee 6d. Prizes on sliding scale.—O. C. Smith.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. General monthly meeting. A lecture is also to be given; cordial invitation given to all.—E. Lord.

Rochdale O.C.—Feb. 28, Clarke's Place, Penn Street, 2.30. Lecture by Mr. C. A. House; fanciers invited.—J. Butterworth.

Rossendale Roller C.S.—Mar. 2, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30. Birds will be present.—H. Wantling.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Feb. 27, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Intending members cordially invited.—Taylor and Dransfield.

Runcorn B.B.A.—Mar. 4, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Discussion on pairs.—E. Rone.

St. Quintin Park F. and F.S.—Mar. 4, Tavistock Mews, Portobello Road, 8. General meeting and judging competition.—A. S. Tarrant.

Sheffield O.S.—Mar. 2, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Lecture on the Norwich Canary by Mr. C. A. House. Members and friends invited.—E. C. Job.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Questions by members. Answers by novices. Balance-sheet.—A. Hobson.

Sittingbourne C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Headquarters, 6.30. Monthly show and general business.—T. Monday.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Mar. 2, Liberal Club, 8. Yorks. Union of C.B.S., election of officers, judges, and revision of rules, etc.—W. Everett.

Southampton C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Waterloo Hotel, 6.30. Table pair show and judging competition.—W. L. Page.

S.E. London F. and F.A.—Mar. 1, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. General meeting; paying out prize money and specials for any age show.—R. Jackson.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, 7.30. Issue of schedules and other important matters.—S. B. Grayshon.

Stanley (Victoria).—Feb. 28, Club Hall, 7.—W. Elliott.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Mar. 1, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Paper on Hemp Seed: Its Uses and Abuses, by Mr. J. Bowers.—J. Pitchford.

Shipley O.S.—Mar. 3, Victoria Hotel, 7. General meeting and balance-sheet.—E. Grange.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Feb. 27, headquarters, 7.30. Balance-sheet, election of officers, revision of rules, and any other business.—J. Peacock.

Stockton C.B.S—Mar 4, Little Regent Inn, 7. Pair show.—J. W. Lowes.

Tong C.B.S.—Mar. 3, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. Supper and prize distribution, 6.45. Fanciers and friends invited. Tickets 1s. 6d.—W. Walker.

Vale of Leven C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Village School, Alexandria, 8. Table show, Mule and Hyb. Pairs. Judge, Mr. J. H. Adam, Glasgow.—J. Hannah.

Walkden Roller Society.—Mar. 2, Stock's Hotel, 7.30. Very important business.—E. Hibbert.

Wallasey C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Headquarters. Discussion on pairing, opened by Mr. Geoff Benson.—Wm. Mallinson.

Watford C.B.S.—Mar. 3, 20, St. Alban's Road, 8.15. Annual balance-sheet and election of officers.—W. Rackley.

West London F.A.—Mar. 4. Pair show 8. Judge, Mr. J. Robson.—J. Dewhurst.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Mar. 1, Johnston's Rooms, 6. The Broadway, Wimbledon, 8. Annual general meeting. Report and balance-sheet, election of officers and committee.—G. Griffiths.

Windhill C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Balance-sheet for tea and social, classification for members' shows, Union judges. Please send at once Subs. in arrears for 1914.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Mar. 4, Duke of York, Princess Street, 8.15. General business.—Wm. Harrison.

water. Twice a week put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water; you must not use metal drinkers while giving drugs. The diet should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts and dry biscuits, with cuttlebone, grit (not sand), and water continually in the cage. If the bird is accustomed to boiled maize this can be continued, and the daily supply dusted with flowers of sulphur after all water is drained away. Do not give slops or table scraps of any kind.

TO GO WITH BRITISHERS (Outdiora).—Zebra Finches, Silverbills, Cutthroats, Bronze and Magpie Mannikins, Cuba Finches, Grey and Green Singing Finches, Red-headed Finches, Avadavats, Orange-cheek, Grey, St. Helena, and Gold-breasted Waxbills; Red-billed, Madagascar, and Napoleon Weavers. There are, of course, many others, but the above are a hardy group and will serve you well to gain experience. If you add white millet seed and millet

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

sprays to the menu you are in the habit of serving up to your present stock, the birds should do well and thrive with you, but you must not put them out till first week in May.

BUDGERIGARS (A. M. Cook).—In the aviary (a roomy one) Budgerigars and Madagascar Lovebirds are safe together, and it is very seldom that any trouble occurs. I have never known any ill-effects from using pine branches in the aviary, and they are freely used, but it would be wise in the event of the cock Budgerigar dying to send its body (see rules) to our Mr. Yates for post-mortem examination, giving him as details those you have sent me. Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day and continue this for a couple of months. Twice a week put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water—don't use a metal drinker while giving drugs.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. L. Rae.—Accept our hearty thanks for your very interesting communication.

G. Thomson.—It is quite impossible for us to publish your paragraphs. Two of them contain innuendoes of libellous character. With regard to the colour-food, we presume that both vendors were invited to give special prizes; if not, it still remains a matter which solely concerns the executive of the show.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

Mr. F. Bryant.—African Grey Parrot (hen), death resulted from pleurisy, a complication of tubercular disease of long standing.

Mr. K. Storey.—Death occurred from exhaustion following profuse internal hæmorrhage, evidently the result of violence.

Alice M. Cook.—Acute enteritis due to the ingestion of irritant or poisonous matter partaken of. The symptoms described by you fully bear out the post-mortem lesions.

Mendoza.—This bird was very thin, following advanced liver disease. There is no suspicion of contagion.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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FEW pairs of prize-bred Yorkshires for sale cheap; buff cock, variegated yellow hen, 13/6; yellow cock, buff hen, 16/6; buff cock, yellow hen, 18/6; variegated yellow cock, clear buff cock, 20/- each; all colour fed: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (122)

MR. HAWES offers two exceptionally fine noted winning, typical, deep fed, unflighted Yorkshire cocks, yellow and buff, both of rare length, straight, upstanding, leggy specimens, and of exceptional merits, 25/- each; approval anywhere: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (100)

YORKSHIRES for sale, from my cup winners, 1913, 1914, Plymouth Show; several pairs from 15/- per pair; also four buff cocks, 15/- each, 1914 bred, of good quality and typical birds, cold-room bred; approval willingly: Frank Snell, 92, Salisbury-rd., Plymouth. (113)

EXCEPTIONAL offer to fanciers requiring an extra long, lengthy yellow Yorkshire hen, winner 3rd Stratford, 1st Enfield, 12/6; also buff hen, winner, 10/-; both unflighted and worth treble for stock; must sacrifice immediately; approval: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (100)

YORKSHIRES, splendid clear buff cock, unflighted, 8/6; matched grand clear yellow hen, 4/-; pair, 12/6; clear yellow cock, good bird, 8/6, with buff hen 4/-, pair 12/-; sacrifice to clear, both pairs 22/-; own breeding, ready for breeding; no dealers: Williams, 862, Pedistone-rd., Sheffield. (123)

EXCEPTIONALLY fine buff ticked, unflighted Yorkshire cock, lengthy, leggy, fine head and neck, 2nd Keighley, 15/-, worth double; also other two unflighted buff cocks, rare length, 10/- each, for stock purposes, worth double: Middleton, 32, Mannville Grove, Fell Lane, Keighley. (112)

SELDOM offered, exceptional upstanding 1913 clear buff Yorks. cock, grand stock bird, reproduces offsprings with position, length and quality, 17/6; bargain, don't miss it; also unflighted clear yellow cock, slim, with quality feather, 12/6; approval, deposit: Drew, 15, Dudley-st., Brooks Bar, Manchester. (123)

PRIZE Yorkshires, buff cock, yellow hen, 3rd prize in 30/- class last Manchester open show, 15/- pair; yellow cock, won several prizes, with buff hen, 15/-; other cocks, 7/6; hens, 4/6; all my own breeding, in breeding condition; exceptional bargain, inspection invited: Jones, 15, Mellor-grove, Old Trafford, Manchester. (120)

GRAND buff Yorkshire cock, over 7in. long, and as straight as a rush, winner, price 15/-; with a lovely unflighted yellow hen to match, a jem, only 7/6; sacrifice the pair for £1, honestly worth double; these are ready for pairing up; 6 days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (120)

W. KING has for disposal the entire stock of that well-known fancier, Mr. Hedworth of Grantham, including all his winners and stock birds; there are some very fine hens, also cocks, well worth an exhibitor's inspection; these birds have won at leading shows and can win again; pure Ambler's strain cocks from 6/6; hens, 5/6 to £5; state wants; approval with pleasure: King, 9, Church-st., Stamford. (120)

TWO clear buff cocks, brothers to my N.Y.C.C. cup winner, lovely feather, good type, 15/-, 25/-; ticked buff cock, nearly 7 inches, 15/-; two smaller clear buff cocks, feathered like wax, 12/6 each; five buff stock hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; all unflighted birds, 2-year-old buff cock, winner of many prizes, 50/-; three-year-old buff cock, also winner, 30/-; approval, deposit: Crawhall, 121, St. George-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (120)

TO exhibitors and breeders, one of the finest collections of Yorkshires in the country to be disposed of immediately in one lot or separate, as owner is away from home; this stud, which contains many well-known winners, was got together absolutely regardless of expense for this season's breeding, and will be sold at ridiculously low prices to clear at once; cocks and hens from 10/- each; all on approval; apply: Williams, 9, Nottingham-st., Dublin. (121)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, cocks and hens (1914), from my winning strains, long, slim, typical birds, full of quality, style, and position; cocks, 7 inches long, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens, standard length (guaranteed feeders), 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 upwards; remember, I guarantee cocks in full song and to fertilise every egg; hens guaranteed to lay a full nest of eggs, without showing signs of being egg-bound; approval on receipt of cash; stamp, reply: 1a, Rowell-square, Rowell-st., Salford. (124)

CHAMPION Yorkshires; as we are reducing our breeding stock, owing to illness, we offer some extra fine quality pairs, matched to breed champions, and bred off the best birds living, pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; lovely type, feathered like wax; single birds proportionate; also six special yellow and buff hens, 30/- each, grand length, full of style, gems; beautiful pair, buff cock, bred from our Palace champion, and lovely yellow hen, 60/-; and one of the best bred pairs living, £5; all the above are real class, the sort that do breed champions, and one nest from any should be worth double; the strain is unbeatable; our birds have won thousands of prizes, cups, championships, at leading shows for over 30 years, four times championship Crystal Palace, including championship for best in show Palace, 1914; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, cash or deposit: Messrs. Amblers, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire. (123)

J. BROOKER

breeder and exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires; fed for sale; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/6 upwards; pairs, 10/6 upwards; approval: 320, Ainsworth-lane, Tonge Moor, Bolton. (120)

CHARLES MARTIN

has decided to part with the whole of his selected breeding stock, including many winners, and guaranteed to breed winners, also show cages, carrying cases, etc.; can be seen any night during the week, or on approval to fanciers: 19, McIntosh-st., Dennistoun, Glasgow. (115)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

The same strain as the winners at all the leading shows, cocks 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, sure winners 15/6, hens 5/6, 7/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire.

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

can spare a few choice pairs of Yorks, related to our winners; see Y.U. shows; single birds proportionate; prices reasonable; cinnamon marks a speciality: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (3)

KNIGHT'S YORKSHIRE AVIARIES

Owing to age and indifferent health conditions have practically all my Yorkshires for sale, including selected season's breeders, about 30 pairs, all choice selected stock, from 12/6 pair upwards; all cold-room bred, reared and kept; all approval; few grand hens, suitable for exhibition; list free: Jonas Knight, Allerton, Bradford, Yorkshire. (90)

CLEARANCE SALE

Noted winning strain; birds, show, stock and breeding cages, all utensils, also travelling cases, for sale: G. A. O'Reilly, 10, Dolphin-aven., Dublin.

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Noted winning strain, show and stock birds, all classes of cages, also travelling cases, all accessories for sale, must be sold: C. A. O'Reilly, 10, Dophin-avenue, Dublin.

£50 CHALLENGE

I am the only exhibitor who has won the Y.C.C. trophy with Yorkshires bred in my own room, and will offer £50 to any fancier who can prove otherwise. Now you "Yorkshire Kings," money for nothing. Please note: I have none for sale now; thanking my customers for their past favours: Phillip Mason, 56, Valley-st., Windhill, Shipley.

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES

direct from Messrs. Binns', Harrisons', Ambler's, Bailey's noted Crystal Palace, etc., winning strains this last 20 years; any on approval, and guaranteed to please you; plenty fit to win, at following prices, grand yellow or buff cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/- to 30/- each; hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each; show cages 2/- each; breeder 30 years: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; and 89, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

LONDON BREEDERS WANTING YORKSHIRES

are cordially invited to inspect my stock and ideal outdoor birdhouse; some smart pairs from 15/-, also 7in. yellow cock, a grand stock bird, 25/-; and a number of others at moderate prices: Farmer, 13, Thornhill-rd., Leyton. (75)

SUTCLIFFE & SONS FOR VALUE

If you want to breed winners buy direct from the breeder; same strain as our National winners; state wants; approval; stamp for reply: 1, Back Kitson-st., and 2, [illegible] Windhill, Shipley, Yorks.

GIVING UP THE FANCY

The whole of my well-known stud of Yorkshires for sale; cocks from 8/6, hens 4/-; also well-made outdoor birdroom, 23ft. long, 8ft. wide, 7ft. 6ins. high, fitted with breeding cages, single cages, and flight cages, fitted in racks, together with all appliances, including show cages and travelling cases: Forse, 31, Thornhill-rd., Leyton.

THE ONLY ONES

that sell their best. For the last 10 years we have bred and sold more noted winners than all others put together. We stand alone. So those that require the best living, this is the only place where they can be bought. Now that the show season is over, we have a few big winning cocks to spare at half their value. Yellow or buff properly matched pairs, guaranteed to breed winners, at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair. We hold thousands of the best testimonials ever written (on view any day) of winners bred from our matched pairs. Come and select for yourself, or have a pair sent on seven days' approval at our risk: Ogden Bros., Dudley-hill, Bradford.

AT THE SHOWS

is where my Yorkshires have proved their supremacy over all others; you can read the various claims as to who is the champion breeder and exhibitor, then note the following, of what my birds have won this season: Y.C.C challenge cup (second year in succession), green-marked ten-guinea trophy (third time in four years), Y.C.C. ten-guinea trophy, Yorkshire Union Competition, "Cage Birds" Competition, cup best Yorkshire Bradford National, cup (cutright) Llanelly, ten-guinea challenge cup and special for best Yorkshire at recent Welsh National show, and 84 firsts, and numerous specials at all the largest shows. I still have about 70 birds for disposal, and for length, type, and quality (and without doubt the very best blood in the fancy), cannot be equalled; deposit your money with the Editor, and allow me to send you a pair on approval against any others; I have some clinking pairs that are matched to breed the very best, at 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; single birds in proportion; all in splendid condition, and cold-room bred and kept, and sent seven days' approval at my risk; either cash with order or deposit with Editor; I am the largest breeder of the variety in Bradford, and have bred and exhibited more winners for years than any other Yorkshire fancier; as a matter of fact, I have won more first prizes in a single week this season, than some of the "would-be" kings" have won in the whole season: I offered £50 if I could not prove any statements I published: I still offer same amount; dare they make this offer? I say, No. Why? Ask yourself the question; it answers itself. Place your orders with the old reliable breeder with a life's practical experience, and avoid disappointments: L. Dykes, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (116)

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well-known winning strain; 25 years' study; Sheffield Challenge Cup winner outright; few very nice slim, lengthy and correct positioned birds to spare; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; specially matched pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

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Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires. I have won cups and medals, and won at all the Y.U. shows, and I have supplied some of the biggest exhibitors in the world, so if you want to breed winners buy direct from the breeder and get satisfaction; birds from 10/- and upwards; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: 7, Plimsoll-st., Bowling, Bradford.

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can spare following unflighted yellow cock, fit for show bench, 30/-; 1913 buff cock, can win, 30/-; big cinnamon-marked buff cock, 1913, and unflighted hen, 25/- pair; unflighted buff cock cinnamon-marked and 7in. yellow cinnamon-marked hen, 1913 bred, good feeder, 30/- pair; 1913 buff cock and yellow ticked unflighted hen, 15/-; unflighted pair, buff cock and yellow hen, 15/-; head and wing-marked buff cock, grand bird, 15/-; no odd hens for sale; approval: T. Bennett, 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. (117)

HENS HENS HENS

50 grand typical Yorks. hens, all colours, feathered like silk, ready to nest, buffs 3/-, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each, yellows 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each; cocks to match at 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each; no better value in the fancy; cash or deposit Editor; 6 days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford.

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Yorkshires are of the highest standard and speak for themselves; for proof search the highest shows, including Palace and Nationals; with careful pedigree breeding alone has this wonderful strain been got together; having selected my breeding stock, I have a few choice pairs for sale from 15/- upwards; odd birds proportionately; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Address, 133, Arncliffe-terr, Horton Grange-rd., Bradford. (73)

BINGHAM & FURNESS

winners of the Sheffield challenge cup with four highest birds only to count, 1907, 1909, 1913 and 1914; Walkley cup 1913-14; have a few good birds left; cocks from 8/6, hens from 5/-; pairs from 12/6 upwards; inspection invited: 43a, Hawthorn-rd., Hillsbro, Sheffield.

H. H. TOWERS

Winner Cinnamon-marked £10 10/- Competition, etc., and at all the leading shows; must reduce stock preparatory to breeding; some excellent pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and upwards; speciality, cinnamon-marked hens, the kind to introduce quality and feather into your room; on approval, cash or deposit; note new address: 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

25s. PAIRS FOR 12/6

In order to make room for the breeding season I offer 3 grand yellow cocks and 3 buff cocks, in full song and over 7ins. long, grand stock birds, and 3 lovely buff hens, and 3 smart yellow hens, grand type and quality, properly mated to breed winners at 12/6 a pair; would not be bought elsewhere under 25/- a pair; a chance of a lifetime; 6 days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford.

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Champion high-class lengthy yellow or buff Yorkshire cocks, on full song, at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each. Cannot be equalled elsewhere at double the money. Grand pairs matched to breed winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- per pair. Clears, green marked, cinnamon marked, and clear pink-eyed; and all cold-room kept; colour-fed and natural colour. Extra good stylish yellow hens at 3/6, 4/6, 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each. Buff hens at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each. Just one testimonial out of scores received last week. From 38, Birchall Street, Warrington, Feb. 14th, 1915: "Pair Yorkshires to hand and are the best value I have ever seen for the money. Will recommend you to all I know in this town.—J. H. Howard to J. Taylor." Champion large yellow or buff Norwich cocks at 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 12/6, 15/- each. Pairs matched to breed winners at 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- per pair. Yellow hens, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6, 8/-, 10/6 each. Buff hens, 3/6, 4/6, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each. Also a good lot of large Crests and Crestbreds, specially selected and trained Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each, which are on full song by day or gaslight. Also a good selection of Sib. hens, Borders, etc. State wants and send for Illustrated price list free. **EASY PAYMENTS.** Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment in any of the above varieties. Full particulars, terms, and illustrated price list post free. All on 7 days' approval at my risk. Travelling cages and food, 3d. extra. Only and old address:—

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H. SMITH, WIMBLEDON

Yorkshires, splendid stock birds, for sale, cheap; yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, pairs from 12/6; approval: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

YORKSHIRES; large yellow cocks; seen any time; price reasonable; guaranteed healthy; see them and judge for yourself.

YORKSHIRES. Are you looking for cocks or hens? I have a number for sale cheap, and if you will give me a trial will do my best to suit you. Cocks from 5/6, hens from 5/6: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

Various Canaries.

WANTED five common hens; exchange large marked yellow Norwich cock: Cook, Pembridge. (117)

YORKSHIRE or Norwich cocks 6/6, hens 2/6, pairs 8/6: G., 41, Swaffield-rd., Earlsfield, Wandsworth.

CREST, Crestbreds and Yorkshire hens, good birds, 3/- and 5/6 each: Coombs, 10, Avenue-rd., Weymouth. (109)

SHOW and stock buff cocks, also yellows, cheap to clear; stamp reply: Thomas Hutton, Rylea, Larbert. (58)

FEW odd buff cocks, also few pairs, good feather, length, type: Scudder, 45, Ashland House, Paddington-st., Marylebone. (110)

SEVERAL big typical hens for sale, yellow and buff, 4/- to 10/- each; approval; deposit: Baker, 44, Bawthorpe-rd., Norwich. (117)

NORWICH for sale, buff hen, 1913, yellow hen, 1914 bred, 3/-; also one yellow cock, cheap: Winder, 26, Shaw Heath, Stockport. (121)

GRAND 1914 cold-room St. Andreasberg cock, coming nicely into song, day or gas light, 4/-: Davenport, Hay Mills, Birmingham. (120)

GRAND Canaries, Norwich, also Yorkshires, cocks, from 7/6 to 15/- each; Yorkshire hens, 3/6 upwards: Spann, Stivichale, Coventry. (110)

PAIR Norwich Canaries, 7/6; pair Yorkshires, 7/6; pair Rollers, 7/6; splendid breeders; several cages, 1/- each: Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridgwater. (108)

SEVERAL healthy 1914 Canaries, splendid songsters, 4/- each; hens, 2/-; grand breeders; various colours: Taylor, Sunningdale-terr., Bideford. (125)

HADFIELD'S (deceased) stock of noted Canaries, 35 in all; best offer for lot, or separate: Hadfield, 66, Higher Bury-st., Heaton Norris, Stockport. (121)

GRAND cream female Pom., 12 months, good coat, lady or children's pet, cash 30/-; or exchange 40/- Canaries, Yorkshires or Rollers; offers: Herbert, 6, Elm-st., Ferndale, Glam. (117)

FOR sale, 6 Yorkshire cocks, 1 Roller cock, 1 Norwich cock, 5/- each, or £1 16/- the lot; natural colour, cold room: A. Gough, 22, New-st., Pontnewydd, Mon. (107)

EXCHANGE white West Highland terrier bitch, by Highland Leader, for good pair of Norwich or Yorks, or sell £2: Bruce, Station, Bonar Bridge. (123)

FOR sale, one pair Norwich, two pairs Yorkshires, one pair Rollers, £2 5/- the lot, or 12/6 a pair; can be seen by appointment: O'Driscoll, 1, Kendra-rd., Clapham. (125)

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SIX large cock Goldfinch Mules 7/6 each; 3 hens, 1/3 each; approval; deposit: Sawbridge, Richmond-rd., Leicester. (109)

TWO cock Linnet Mules, used catching, 6/6 each; Goldfinch Mule, 6/6; hen, 1/-: S. Corley, 2, Sydney-rd., Watford. (124)

WANTED, two large unflighted yellow Norwich hens for muling, must be typical: W. Sidney, 14, Hopefield, Newport, Mon. (108)

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EXHIBITION variegated cock Linnet Mule, winner of 1st Norwich, 1913, 15/6; genuine offer; approval willingly; deposit: G. C. King, 14, Ashby-st., Norwich. (114)

HANDSOME twice house-moulted cock Goldfinch, guaranteed bred Mules with him last year, 7/6; approval, deposit: Cliffe, Hamptonswood, Penley, Ellesmere, Salop. (119)

COCK Brown Linnet Mule, full song, 9/6: muling cock Brown Linnet, 4/6; six house-moulted cock Greenfinches, one hen, 4/6 lot: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (122)

LARGE pink-eyed sib-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, yellows 7/6, buffs 5/6; cocks, full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (32)

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YELLOW variegated Norwich cock, 6/-; clear yellow Norwich cock, 7/6; self Cinnamon cock, rather small, 6/-; 2 handsome large dark Goldfinch Mules, Goldfinch song, 7/6 each; all 1914 birds, in wonderful song: Taylor, Northam-rd., Bideford. (115)

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LOVELY yellow Budgerigars, outdoor bred, 8/6 pair: Mrs. Boyd, Crofton Titchfield, Hants. (112)

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FOUR cock Budgerigars, aviary bred, 1/6 each, 5/- lot; cock Zebra, 3/-; Red-crested Cardinals, 7/6: Smalley, Kibworth, Leicestershire. (115)

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AMAZON Parrot, and cage, talking, good condition, 50/-; exchange Canaries and Goldfinches: Foxon, Hairdresser, 45, Church-st., Gateshead. (112)

RARE bargain, tame Macaw, on brass stand, splendid talker, lowest price £10; approval only in London area: Lafbury, 24, Station-rd., Manor Park, Essex. (123)

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YOUNG Amazon Parrot, talks, says twenty words, grand plumage, finger tame, 60/-; would part exchange Canaries, Mules: Randall, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (126)

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TWO cock Goldfinch Mules, 6/6 each; two Yorkshire buff cocks, 6/- each, colour-fed, full song; two yellow hens, buff, 2/6 each: exchange: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford. (126)

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WANTED Bullfinches, Goldfinches, etc.: Pearson, Greenwich. (124)

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WANTED, youth's or small lady's bike, exchange Canaries: Coles, Rosedeene, Raunds, Northants. (118)

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WANTED, good young Crested and Crestbred hens; approval: Shearman, Chemist, Great Yarmouth. (109)

WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and British birds; best prices given: Mrs. G. Ellett, 104, Kirkgate, Wakefield. (126)

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WANTED, clear Norwich cock; exchange cricket bag, almost new, or anything useful: W. Barnes, 26, Kendal-st., Carlisle. (116)

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WANTED, good unflighted yellow Norwich hen; exchange good 1913 cock Greenie Mule, colour-fed: S. Else, Trowell, Notts. (113)

WANTED, Yorkshires or Norwich; exchange black Pom. dog, or sell 15/-; yours first: Winstanley, 14, School-st., Little Hulton. (120)

WANTED, offers in Canaries for English lever watch, or sell 25/-: William Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (116)

WANTED, yellow Norwich Canaries, cocks, hens, also Goldfinches, Bullfinches: T. B. Short, Ravensdowne, Berwick-on-Tweed. (106)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules; give 1/- each; hen Canaries, 1/3 each: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (57)

WANTED, good Norwich stock 1914 buff hen; exchange Columbia disc records to value; approval: Maclean, South-st., Forres. (123)

WANTED, dozen of good big, well-coloured and pencilled Linnets, good price given for same: Whalley, Lenardgate, Lancaster. (114)

WANTED, pairs of Cockatiels, Canaries, Mules and fowls and bantams, prompt cash: Supply, 45, Great Bridge, Tipton, Staffs. (101)

I HAVE several good house-moulted cock Finches, full song, sell or exchange common Norwich: Saunders, Secretary, Tiverton. (120)

WILL give good pair Yorkshire greens for good big yellow Norwich stock cock: Cook and Hood, Rose-villa, Charltons, Boosbeck, Yorks. (126)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1989)

WANTED, good large colour-fed Norwich cocks and hens; state lowest price to Tom Mc Crystal, 16, Tanfield-rd., Govan, Glasgow. (122)

WANTED, clear or lightly variegated Crest cock; exchange pair Seifert Rollers, value 15/-; approval: Fortnum, Delrow, Watford, Herts. (114)

GOLDFINCHES; will give 24/- dozen cocks, 9/- hens; any other birds bought, cash or will deposit: Day, The Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (123)

WANTED, Yorkshire and Roller Canaries, 7/- pair Yorkshires: prompt cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett, Yorkshire. (123)

WANTED, hand-reared cock Skylark, last year's bird, singing; approval, deposit: W. Capper, 3, Nelson Place, Rusholme, Manchester. (118)

WANTED, a set of good single cages, size about 20 inches long; will exchange exhibition Norwich to value: C. W. Silk, Glenrosa, Emsworth. (110)

EXCHANGE Maxick Saldo's Development Course, punch-ball, for house-moulted cock Siskin and Lesser Redpoll: Jones, Godrewaun, Glanamman. (117)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per doz.; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

WANTED, two vacuum flasks, also yellow Norwich hens; exchange good Border Fancies; approval: Bell, 21, Beaufoy-rd., Tottenham. (115)

WANTED immediately, any variety of Canaries or toy dogs; cash immediately; state price and particulars to 134, Havelock-st., Leicester. (103)

OATCHER.—Wanted, any quantity of British birds, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, Twites, Redpolls, Larks: Clarke, 78, Whit-lane, Pendleton. (117)

WANTED, two field moulted cock Bullfinches; exchange house moulted Hawfinch, or sell 15/-: Arnott, 236, St. Clair-street Sinclairstown, Fife. (111)

WANTED, good unflighted yellow Norwich cock; exchange oil stove, used once; bird first; approval both ways: Rainford, 16, Albion-st., Lancaster. (108)

WANTED, any quantity of British birds; also hen Canaries, any breed; state price: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham. (123)

WANTED, large framed thick-set C.F. Norwich, for cash, or exchange lady's and gent's gold watch, or other jewellery: 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (126)

WANTED, four cock Canaries, in song, will give £1, or exchange pair Scotch blankets or silver lever watch, new: Drummond, Hutchison-st., Glasgow. (101)

WANTED, hens, Golden-breast Cordon Bleu, Orange-cheek and Bib Finch, from outdoor aviary preferred: Tracy, Rosselare, Canford Cliffs, Bournemouth. (107)

WANTED, yellow or marked Scotch Fancy hen, exchange Norwich clears and marked cocks and hens, green Yorkshire cocks: S. Andrews, 109, Mersey-rd., Widnes. (110)

WANTED any quantity all breeds of hen Canaries, for spot cash; state price and breed, strictly honourable dealing guaranteed: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (59)

WANTED, good songsters, 1914 bred, on approval; or exchange for prize-bred Norwich hens or cocks: Wickham, Boatswain and Call, Chatham. (See Norwich.) (119)

WANTED, good big unflighted yellow Norwich hen, good head and neck, short and good feather, price about £1; approval: Hallick, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (120)

WANTED, Canaries, British Birds, Dogs, Pigeons, Mice, Guinea Pigs, Parrots, Monkeys, Ferrets, Poultry; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (125)

WANTED, large clean, healthy colour-fed Norwich Plainheads, also cock Mules on full song; any quantity bought for prompt cash: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (114)

WANTED, 1914, large colour-fed Norwich Canaries. I will give 7s. per pair for good birds; cocks must be in full song: William M. Ewan, 38, Woodrop-st., Bridgeton, Glasgow. (122)

OFFERS in Canaries or British Finches, for 5 years' back numbers of "Cage Birds," upwards 2 doz. coloured plates, all complete: Draycott, 3, Park-st., Stourbridge. (120)

WANTED, offers for bird book, cost 25/- new condition; English lever double cased watch, 12/6; lady's silver watch, new, 15/-: Dimmock, Market-sq., Leighton Buzzard. (125)

WANTED, 3 pairs lace curtains or dinner service, exchange smooth coated Airedale pup, house trained, sell 15/-; approval: Quinlivan, 124, Craven Park-rd., Harlesden, London. (112)

WANTED for cash, surplus stocks of Norwich, Borders, Crests and Yorkshires, for export; large or small lots bought; state particulars to J. Taylor, 36, Airevillerd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (109)

CANARIES; exchange oak case grandfather clock, going order, 50/-; pair Paradise Whydahs, 12/6; muling Goldfinch, 8/6; overcoat, 30 chest, 10/6: Westrope, Agent, Bumpstead, Haverhill. (125)

NOTICE.—Wanted, cage birds, Canaries, Parrots, rabbits, cavies, anything in exchange for suit length cloth or sell, 25/-; mutual approval: Wilson, Merchant Tailor, 233, Argyle-st., Glasgow. (126)

WILL buff for cash any quantity hen Goldfinch Mules, 1/- each; hen Canaries, 1/3; all kinds British birds, cocks or hens; write stating prices: Helyar, 55, Patmos-rd., North Brixton, S.W. (124)

WANTED, yellow Yorkshire cock, variegated, for clear buff cock or Yorkshire hens, all unflighted and prize winners: good birds for sale cheap; yours first: Ramsey, Woodcote Lodge, Banstead-rd., Purley, Surrey. (124)

WANTED, hen Goldfinches, Mules, give 1/3 each; Norwich and Yorkshire hen Canaries, 18/- dozen; Goldfinches and Linnets wanted, buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, Last-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (114)

NOTICE.—Will give 6/- per pair for Norwich and Yorkshires, colour fed preferred; also wanted, Crests, Crestbreds, Borders, Scotch Fancies, Rollers, Mules, at reasonable prices; also foreign birds: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

WANTED, pair Crests, Lancashires, Cinnamons, or Lizards, also Crystal Palace aviary; will exchange small silver-plated revolver, 7 chamber, or pair opera glasses in case or sell separately, 30/- each: Tillman, Old Town, Kempston, Beds. (109)

WANTED, LIGHT MULE

bred 1914; exchange three pairs of Norwich: value £4 10/- yours first: Jellery, Sartor House, Paignton. (124)

WANTED ANY QUANTITY

Plainhead Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests and Crestbreds, also talking Parrots and Pomeranians, good price given: The Bird Exchange, 1a, Dunnord-st., Stonehouse, Plymouth.

ARE WANTED? YES!

5,000 pair Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, any quantities, for export, also cock or hen Goldfinch Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, and Linnets, etc.; best market value obtainable, absolutely largest bird exporters in British Isles; write or send with price: Howard and Sons, 1, Sclater-st., Bethnal Green, London; also 77, Pitt-st., Norwich. Est. 53 years. (92)

WANTED—EVERYONE

who has Yorkshires, Norwich, Borders, Mules, Hybrids, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, etc., to part with, to send them to us with lowest price, or write; prompt replies and cash, best market price given, from the old firm, estab. 50 years; patronised by all leading Crystal Palace judges and exhibitors for 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Specialist, 89, Sclater-st., London, and 296, North-rd., Preston.

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

of colour-fed Norwich and Yorkshires and cock Goldfinch Mules for spot cash; best market prices given for good healthy birds; also odd hens; also buyer of Linnets, Goldfinches, Siskins, Bullfinches, Hawfinches, cocks or hens; cash by return; references Editor or bankers, London City Midland Bank, Bethnal Green-rd. branch: Enoch Power, Largest Bird Importers in Great Britain, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

Wanted, Hen Canaries

21/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

EXCHANGE 3 cock Goldfinches for typical yellow Norwich cock, unflighted; letters: Evans, 37, Tydraw-st., Port Talbot. (108)

EXTRA good cock Goldfinch; exchange good flight cage or Roller hens, sell 6/-: A. Jackson, 40, Blackburn-rd., Great Harwood. (123)

FRED ALLEN will exchange high-class British, also Scandinavian Bullfinches, for cock and hen Canaries, Mules: 156, Porter-st., Hull. (124)

WHAT offers in cock Linnets or hen Bullies for two grand cock Chaffinches, twice house-moulted: T. Lister, Station-rd., Liven, Fife. (123)

WHAT offers for selected Lesser Redpoll and 2 years cage-moulted Mealy Redpoll; A. Foley, 4, Picton-st., New Boutham, Lincoln. (108)

TWO Goldfinches, 1 Brown Linnet, house moulted, picked for muling, sell 10/6; or exchange Canaries: Rowe, 93, St. John's-st., Peterboro. (109)

1913 Thrush, hand reared, good songster, 15/-; exchange good British, Canaries, offers: Martyn Leigh, 37, Queen's-gardens, Brighton. (109)

GIVING up, H.R. cock Skylark, 3/6; cock Robin, 2/6; cock Linnet Mule, 5/-; exchange Border or Norwich hens, yellow: 31, Wilcox-rd., S.W. (105)

EXCHANGE four cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch mulers or three hen Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (57)

JOHN DAY will exchange first-class British, also cages of every description, for Canaries, Mules, etc.: The Aviaries and Cage Works, Porter-st., Hull. (123)

GIVING up, H.R. cock Skylark, 3/6; cock Robin, 2/6; Linnet Mule, 5/-; exchange typical Border hens, variegated or greens, yellows; offers: 31, Wilcox-rd., S.W.

EXCHANGE twice house moulted cock Goldfinch, bred Mules, and muling hen, for Roller cock, sell 15/-; yours first; approval: 121, Cannock-rd., Chadsmore. (118)

YELLOW cock Siskin, 8/6; yellow cock Greenfinch, 4/-; cock Linnet, 5/-; all bred Mules; or exchange good Siberian muling Goldie: H., 24, Jenner-rd., Stoke Newington. (115)

EXCHANGE, two cock Chaffinches, one cock Greenfinch, good birds; also set of boxing gloves, for hen Canaries; or offers: Malcolm, 105, Pittencrieff-st., Dunfermline. (122)

EXCHANGE three Norwich show cages and ease, cock Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Yellowhammer, and hen Bullfinch, for Norwich; particulars, stamp; approval: Pegg, 59, Furness-st., West Hartlepool. (117)

WANTED, Pom. or Yorkshire bitch; will exchange English lever watch, cost £5 5/-, or a whippet, winner of four sweeps; yours first; rubbish neither offered nor taken: Johnson, 47, Wheatbottom, Crook, Durham. (123)

THREE pairs Goldfinches, cock Bullfinch, two cock Chaffinches, five cock Greenies, six cock Linnets, been in aviary, best cash offer; or exchange Norwich hens; approval: S. Corley, 2, Sydney-road, Watford. (124)

EXCHANGE house-moulted cock Goldfinch and hen Canary, also house-moulted cock Brown Linnet and hen Canary, mulers, for a good pair Norwich or Yorkshires; approval; yours first: Esmond, 16, Waungock, Nantymoel, Glam. (109)

EXCHANGE, two cock Chaffinches, beauties, and a good V-marked yellow Bunting, also a monster cock Greenfinch for a Goldfinch cock Mule, or a Roller cock Canary, or sell for 7/6; a bargain: John Waugh, New Abbey, Dumfries. (113)

NOTICE, two giant Russian aviary moulted yellow cock Siskins, with grand black caps, bibs, and markings, and fit to win in the keenest competition, only 7/6 each, or exchange for cock Goldfinch mules or Norwich Canaries. See advts.: Powers and Russells, 10, Granby-pl., Bethnal Green, London. (98)

Mainly Canaries.

FIVE good Border hens, 4/6 each, or exchange good Rollers: Crossley, 2, Rock View, Gillinggate Kendal.

PAIR clear Canaries, value 15/-; for 3 Rhode Island Red pullets, Singlecomb (pure): 22, Kirby-st., Ipswich. (111)

EXCHANGE for Canaries, 50 eggs Stanton incubator, 12/6; pair white tumblers, 3/6: Sewery, Stafford, Dorchester. (124)

EXCHANGE two good hen Canaries for two hen Budgerigars: yours first: Turner and Roberts, Oxford-st., Ripley, Derby. (116)

SIX hen Canaries, 14/-; two cocks, 12/-; coppy hen, 10/6; offers part exchange: Brooker, 15, Frome-terrace, Dorchester. (126)

TWO lovely H.-M. cock Goldfinches, sure Mulers, 15/-; exchange Lancashire coppy hen: C. March, The Leys, Evesham. (109)

EXCHANGE large brass table lamp, also bracket lamp, complete, for pair Sib or Norwich, or cock Goldfinches: Lawrence, 141 Coulsdon-rd., Caterham. (110)

CLEAR Norwich cock, 8/-; champion Roller cock, 8/-; Fox Terrier dog puppy, 8/-; exchange: Abbott, 22, Langley-st., Luton. (114)

COCK Yorkshire, full song, 7/6; pair variegated Norwich, 7/6; good reason selling: Averello, 50, Camden-rd., Camden Town. (119)

EXCHANGE pair Borders for big buff Norwich cock or buff cinnamon Border cock: Crossley, 23, Hertford-rd., Blackley. (117)

WILL exchange good class buff Yorkshire hen and show cage, for good yellow Norwich hen: Reade, 10, Leonard-rd., Gloucester. (121)

EXCHANGE well-bred Norwich pair for one Roller cock and four hens (feeders); offers wanted: Small, 67, Western-rd., Brighton. (120)

EXCHANGE variegated good Crestbred hen for yellow Plainhead cock; approval both ways: G. Davie, 28, Carron-rd., Falkirk. (112)

EXCHANGE two variegated Border hens, Hamilton's strain, for yellow Norwich hen, or sell 4/6: Culham, Stanstead-rd., Catford. (116)

EXCHANGE buff Norwich cock for good stout yellow hen; yours first; or sell 10/-: H. Alleu, Trevisoe, nr. St. Austell, Cornwall. (120)

EXCHANGE stylish Yorkshire cock, unflighted yellow, for long unflighted Yorkshire buff hen: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea, London. (116)

WANTED, Roller on song; exchange large exhibition H.-M. Goldfinch, proved muler; approval: Cole, Clifford-villa, Foxhall-rd, Ipswich. (116)

YORKSHIRE cock and Norwich hen for sale, 7/-; or exchange Roller cock in full song, price 7/-: J. Aldrich, Coleby-grange, Necton, Lincoln. (116)

SIX Scotch cock Linnets, 1/3 each; also cock Bullie, 2/3; four hens, 2/- each; sale or exchange Canaries: Wright, 14, Rosevale-st., Partick. (122)

OFFERS Norwich or Borders for Robson's book Canaries, Hybrids, British Birds, cost 23/6: Henderson, 33, Blenheim-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (116)

PAIR adult green breeding Budgerigars, 6/-; healthy, outdoor bred; exchange Roller hens: Police Constable Mathers, Mytholmroyd, Yorks. (108)

EXCHANGE variegated Norwich cock, 10/6 (good stock bird); Goldfinch Mule, 7/6; for pair of Rollers; or sell, 17/-: Larner, Bisley Old-rd., Stroud. (109)

TWO buff green Norwich hens, foul marked, 3/6; 2 variegated ditto, 4/- each; well bred; exchange Norwich cock: Hicks, Show Secretary, Holsworthy. (115)

EXCHANGE, high-class Yorkshires or Seifert Rollers for scrap brass, copper, solder, etc.: B. Murgatroyd, 5, Walker-place, Windbill, Shipley, Yorks. (125)

EXCHANGE large Crestbred cock, 1913 bird, massive feather, for large clear buff Norwich cock, unflighted: Abel, The Grove, Necton, nr. Swaffham. (111)

FOR sale, fine Roller Canaries, cock, full song, 10/6, Bird and Dimmock strain, or exchange for foul or anything useful: Wooldridge, 18, Park-st., Lye. (127)

EXCHANGE "Our Canaries," as new, value 1s/-, for typical unflighted Yorkshire hen, no rubbish required; approval: F. Dobbs, 11, Clarence-st., Aberavon. (107)

EXCHANGE one cock and three hen Mules for yellow Norwich stock cock, must have big head; yours first: Humby, Jersey-rd., Buckland, Portsmouth. (120)

EXCHANGE two clear yellow C.B. cocks, 1914 R. and L. rung, for large Crested hen; no rubbish offered or wanted: Walker, 6, Lambert-terrace, Aberdare, Wales. (120)

THREE champion Border hens, rung, 15/-; or exchange 1914 chubby yellow Norwich cock or two large Greypate cocks; approval: Richards, 36, Newst., Exmouth. (118)

WANTED Rollers, hens, give brace ferrets for three; give three for Schoolmaster; 3/6 each; pushchair, 5/-; Brown Leghorn eggs, 3/6; offers: Worrell, Church-st., Annfield Plain. (120)

A FEW first-class Borders and Norwich for sale, or exchange for a good Parkinson, perfect vice, or gramophone and records; approval: Young, 177, Martin-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (105)

BARGAIN; grand yellow Norwich hen, 1913, bulldog strain, cold room bird, good condition, and Yorkshire show cage, 7/6, or offers: W. Judson, 7, Greatbloward, Smallbridge, Rochdale. (119)

WILL give four grand buff Norwich hens in exchange for three buff Yorkshire hens; must be long and slim, and come from good strain; yours first; approval: Webb, 22, Frederic-st., Luton. (118)

FIVE pairs prize bred Borders, good strain, 10/-, 15/- pair; single barrel gun, 12 bore, good farmer gun, 15/-; exchange; high class pullets wanted: Roberts, Gwyddfor, Penygroes S.O., North Wales. (92)

GRAND pair Yellow Dragoons, Stacey's direct, £2; five pairs racing homers, best long-distance blood, 15/- pair; exchange Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries; offers: A. Goodacre, 85, Sleaford-rd., Boston, Lines. (119)

SPLENDID flat-headed buff Norwich hen, bred Mules, good feeder, sell 5/-; exchange good cock Goldfinch; yours first; rubbish not offered, none wanted; letters only: Goodman, Abbey-rd., Bourne, Lincs. (120)

EXCHANGE for water colours or Yorkshire Canaries, yellows, pair of dun and blue Magpies, winners of first and specials at Consett, Flyingdales, etc., etc.; must clear, or sell £2: Fenby, Brooklands, Filey. (110)

UNFLIGHTED Norwich Plainheads, 1 yellow cock, 8/-; 1 yellow variegated hen, 5/-; 3 buff hens, 4/- each; approval, deposit; or exchange for anything useful: Jas. Simpson, Stirling Village, Boddam, Aberdeenshire. (112)

NOTICE.—Wanted all varieties Canaries and foreign and British birds; give good exchange in Crystal Palace shaped or other aviaries or cases or gent's suit lengths value 25/-, or lady's dress length value 12/6: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (48)

WILL exchange gentleman's R. gold keyless watch, by T. Russell, London, warranted 10 years, or lady's R. gold, latest pattern keyless wristlet watch, value 20/-, for two large-framed Norwich, yellows preferred.—Jeweller, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone.

EXCHANGE for Norwich, Yorkshire Canaries and breeding cages, bird requisites, or sell Busch half-plate wide-angle field lens, 30/-; half-plate rectilinear lens, 15/-; half plate enlarging lens, by Lancaster, quite new; all in perfect condition; offers: Wooldridge, 42, Burns-rd., Harlesden, London, N.W. (122)

OVERSTOCKED, green Crested cock, buff Crestbred hen, 15/6; two Crestbred, one Crested hens, 7/6 each; gold Lizard cock, silver hen, 12/6; yellow Norwich cock, buff hen, 12/6 pair; all bred from best prize strains obtainable; cold room, healthy, approval; exchange for old English coins or tokens; what offers: H. Webber, 15, Temple-rd., Exeter.

Mainly Foreign.

SMALL Green Parrot, 12/6; five pairs flying homers, 500 miles; flute, 2/6; exchange birds: 56, Tamworth-rd., Croydon. (111)

EXCHANGE two Budgerigars, or two White Doves, for hen White Java Sparrow or hen Red-headed Finch: Walsh, Knaresborough (125)

EXCHANGE Hybrid pair, yellow cock Greenfinch, hen Bullfinch, for yellow cock, or green hen Budgerigar: Head, East Harling, Norfolk. (117)

EXCHANGE Bridge Rambler, prolific Raspberry canes, and Chrysanthemum plants, for Foreigners, violin or 'cello: Thorpes, Sunnyside, Worksop, Notts.

EXCHANGE acclimatised pair Zebra Finches for house moulted cock Goldfinch and yellow Norwich hen, sell 10/-: Huckle, 31, Gordon-rd., Kingston-on-Thames. (121)

GRAND talking Parrot and new cage, one of the best, approval, sell 50/-, and exchange gent's bicycle, good condition, for poultry: H. Denner, Crow Green, Cullompton. (117)

Miscellaneous.

WANTED, anything alive: Pearson, Greenwich. (124)

BIKE, lady's, running order, sacrifice, 30/-; or exchange: 782, Stratford-rd, Birmingham. (116)

THREE prize-bred Dutch rabbits, buck, two does, 20/-; exchange: 85, Berwick-st., Liverpool. (119)

EXCHANGE good birds for a good toy dog; yours first: Jn. Younger, 19, Freehold-st., Blyth. (109)

NORWICH, a few left, any price, or exchange anything useful: Morris, 57, High-st., Tooting. (124)

WANTED, baby folding car, also 410 gun, will give Cockatiels, Budgerigars, Canaries: Criddeford, Lapford. (121)

WHAT offers in cage birds for spaniel dog pup, five months old: Gwyther, 7, Cromwell st., Merthyr Tydvil. (122)

EXCHANGE, 22, target pistol, for pair of large Canaries, or 3 hens, sell 7/6: Welland, East Meon, Petersfield. (117)

HALF-PLATE camera, 30/-; 10-inch records, 8/- per doz.; exchange Canaries: Heyward, 49, Herbert-rd. Tottenham. (112)

GENT'S bike, perfect running order, condition as new, bargain, 35/-; or exchange: 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (116)

MANDOLINE case, and tutor, 12/6; 62 "Cage Bird" weeklies, 3 annuals; what offers: 21, Sebert-rd., Forest Gate. (119)

14 DISC records, 12/6; exchange singing Canaries to value; approval: Taylor, 277, Cambridge-rd., Mile End, London. (105)

ILLUSTRATED volume of "The Great War," exchange Yorkshires or cash: Frank Barrass, 11, West-st., Doncaster. (113)

NORWICH; will exchange cocks and hens, only a few left now, for anything useful: Hendle, 142, Garratt, Earlsfield.

DARK Tweed Suit, fit gent 5ft. 9in., sell 20/-; or exchange Canaries or British: Candlish, Southwick-road, Dalbeattie. (124)

EXCHANGE Pom. bitch, black and tan, for Canaries, or birds, sell £1; offers: Robinson, 4, Inverness-rd., Hounslow. (122)

WANTED offers in Canaries for all wool, Scotch blankets, or sell 25/-: Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (121)

WHAT offers in poultry for Edison Gem phonograph and 10 records: H. Butterworth, 769, Middleton-rd., Chadderton, Oldham. (116)

DOUBLE trap cage, 2/-; single, 1/3; plated hot-water jug, 4/6; cigarette case, 2/6; exchange: Cavell, Ruskington, Stenford. (116)

TWO yellow, one buff Yorks., one buff Norwich, hens, four cock Goldfinches, 3/- each: Frank, 18, Goldhill, Shaftesbury. (119)

HIGH CLASS pen, O.E. Spangle, Game Bantams, cock, three hens; exchange offers: Legg, 11, Clifton-st., Newtown, Exeter. (121)

LARGE Thrush case, double and single breeders, sale, or part exchange Canary hens: D., 11, Springfield-crescent, Catford. (115)

BARGAIN, good Yorks. hen, splendid Roller, feeders, 10/-; exchange men's new boots: T. McLaren, Fintona, Tyrone. (118)

EXCHANGE pair Magpie pigeons, clear dun and black, rung, for pair Yorkshires: Foxall, 20, Bracton-rd., South Bermondsey. (114)

WHAT offers in Canaries or British for concertina, one key slightly damaged, cost 12/-: Gemlo, Apple Wynd, Montrose. (125)

LADY'S long silver neck chain, value 10/-, as new, exchange Canaries or offers: Golding, 19, Brunswick Close, Clerkenwell. (118)

GOOD double muzzle-loader gun, 9/-; exchange Canaries, 2 double, 3 single breeding cages, 5/-: 6, Kempton-rd., New Ferry. (127)

EXCHANGE pair of working homers, rung RP1914, for good hen Canary, or sell 3/6: S. Thompson, 8, Midland-terr., St. Albans. (121)

OFFER in fowls for 3 pairs Norwich and Yorks. cock, 1 Norwich hen, or sell 30/-: Thomas, 32, Oaklands, Old Mill, Barnsley. (116)

TO model makers, will exchange 2 armatures, engineer built, wound, for 4 hen Canaries; bargain: W., 6, Raglan-st., Nottingham. (119)

DESK, mahogany table, 4ft. long, 9 draws, perfect condition, bargain, 35/-; or exchange: Bliss, 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (116)

SOLID oak hat rack, new, five hooks, value 8/6; what offers in Yorkshires: D. Dodson, 7, North-avenue, Letchworth, Herts. (113)

EXCHANGE silver grey talking Parrot for good double-barrel breech loader gun: R. Allen, Whitemoor, St. Anstell, Cornwall. (107)

25-POUND scrap brass, copper; exchange for hen Canaries or house-moulted British birds: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (118)

HANDSOME black Retriever bitch, 2 years, 18/-; exchange pullets, birds, or offers: Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (124)

EXCHANGE Whippet bitch, good on rabbits, fast, pedigree, for Whippet dog, or Pom. dog; approval: 121, Cannock-rd., Chadsmore. (118)

EXCHANGE pair horse clippers, only used twice, for good Norwich unflighted buff cock: John Breaden, 54, St. Andrew-st., Kilmarnock. (116)

LADY'S high laced boots, sewn, glace kid, size 6's, for two good big Norwich hens: Gardner, Garstang-rd., Wesham, Lancashire. (125)

RED Irish Terrier dog, 2 years, good guard; exchange Canaries or pullets, or sell 30/-: F. Lane, 34, Oxford-st., Bilston, Staffordshire. (114)

EDISON Gem phono. and 24 records, 30/-; or exchange unflighted yellow Yorkshire hen; offers: Taylor, Wood-st., Skelmanthorpe. (108)

EXCHANGE two single breeding cages for large cock Yellowhammer, or any other good Britishers: Bolt, Rilshaw, Winsford, Cheshire. (121)

NOTICE! We want poultry, birds, Parrots, anything, in exchange for cutlery and plate; write Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (122)

EXCHANGE, 7/6, latest fashion soft felt hat, 6 5-8, for muling Goldfinch and Linnet; approval: Haste, 19, Poynings-rd., Highgate. (110)

COCK Linnet, H.M. hen Canary, mulers, 7/6: Daisy air gun, 12/6; exchange poultry or anything useful: Tripp, Breachwood Green, Welwyn. (117)

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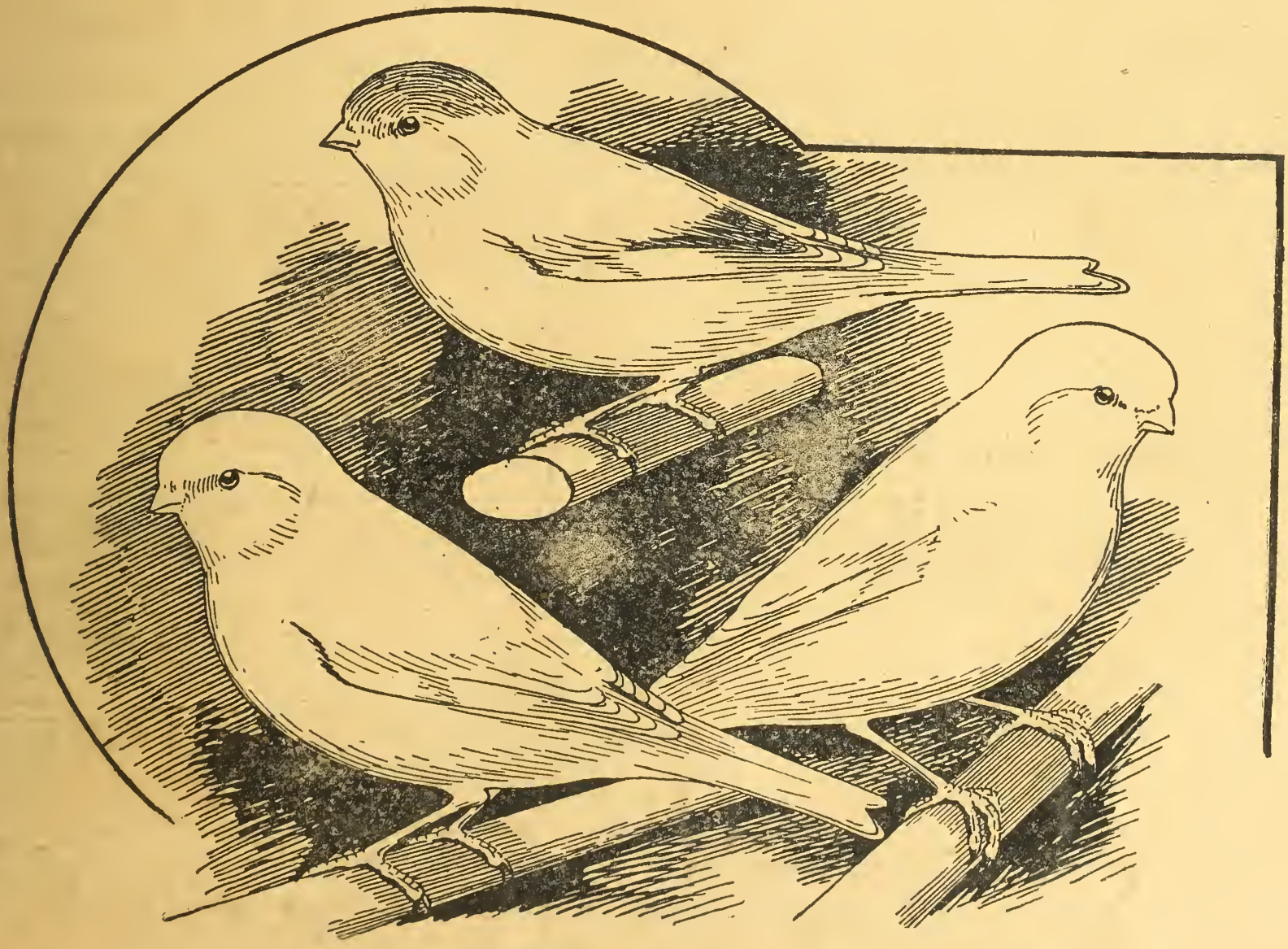

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Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous issue, Page and Column are stated by the advertiser.

ALWAYS USE "CAGE BIRDS"

DEPOSIT SYSTEM.

We are not responsible for the statements made in advertisements, nor of the *bona-fides* of either buyers or sellers In all transactions the adoption of our Deposit System should be insisted upon

RULES.

1.—PROCEDURE.—The intending purchaser should send to this office the amount of the purchase (our deposit fee included), and at the same time he should communicate with the seller, stating what it is he requires sent on approval. We acknowledge receipt of the deposit to both parties. In all cases the depositor should give his name and address, and also that of the vendor, and must write same clearly and distinctly.

2.—END OF TRANSACTION.—The deposit is retained by us until we hear from **both** parties that the transaction has been completed. If a sale has been effected, we hand the amount deposited to the seller. If a sale has **not** been effected, we return the amount to the depositor. The transaction must be conducted by the parties themselves. We merely hold the deposit.

3.—AMOUNT OF COMMISSION.—The fee is 6d. for each £1, or fraction of £1, and it must be sent at same time as the deposit.

4.—IMPORTANT POINTS.—The depositor must decide within forty-eight hours of the receipt of the goods whether he will keep or return the same, unless, that is, some other period of approval (of which we must be advised) is agreed upon by both parties. The depositor must at the same time notify us of the fact that he has returned the goods. If the goods are not returned within the said forty-eight hours, we reserve the right to send the deposit to the seller after the expiration of that period. And should the seller fail within three days to notify us of the receipt of his goods back again, the transaction will be treated as ended, and the deposit will be returned to the depositor.

5.—A SATISFACTORY PURCHASE.—When a transaction has been completed to the satisfaction of both depositor and seller, both parties must at once return the deposit receipts as a guarantee of its completion. The depositor must at the same time instruct us to pay over the deposit to the seller.

6.—GOODS ALREADY SOLD.—If the goods are sold before our deposit note reaches the seller, or if for any other reason he declines to do business, he must at once return the deposit note to us. Failing its receipt, we reserve the right to return the deposit to the sender after the expiration of three days.

7.—FRESH TRANSACTION.—In case no sale be effected, a deposit is available for purposes of a fresh transaction, provided another deposit fee be paid.

8.—GOODS IN TRANSIT.—Goods in transit are at the seller's risk, and any damage or loss sustained on the journey must be borne by the seller. But goods not approved of must be properly packed and returned by the same means as were used in sending the same.

9.—PAYMENT OF CARRIAGE.—The payment of carriage must be a matter for arrangement between the vendor and depositor. We do not undertake to settle disputes affecting questions of carriage. But in the absence of other arrangements the purchaser is liable for the carriage of the goods, and if the goods are sent on approval and returned, each party pays the carriage one way.

10.—DISPUTES.—In case of a dispute, the decision of the Editor is final.

IMPORTANT.

SEND THE FULL COMMISSION.—If the full commission does not accompany the deposit, the vendor will not be notified of its receipt until the amount deficient plus the extra postage incurred has been paid to us.

HOW TO REMIT.—Under no circumstances will Cheques or Post-dated Money Orders be accepted as deposits. Uncrossed Postal Orders must be sent and the numbers taken for safety.

DURING THE WAR

Our Customers may rely on us continuing to supply them at LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES. Free delivery London district by own vans.

Owing to the arrival of some cheap purchases of New Spanish Canary Seed, we are enabled to give Fanciers

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stands unbeaten in price and quality; with or without egg flake. An eye-opener for those who have never used a good food. Unequalled for Nightingales, Blackbirds, Robins, Wagtails, Waxbills, and all small insectivorous birds, British and Foreign, 1/3 lb., post paid 1/6 lb; 7lbs. 8/6, post paid.

TRY THESE AND COMPARE WITH OTHER FOODS.

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ACKNOWLEDGED THE CHAMPION EGG AND BISCUIT FOOD

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Resembles nothing else on the market. All users delighted with it.

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Giant Spanish Canary	4/6	17/6	34/-
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Fine Summer Rape	3/6	13/6	25/-
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Indian Millet	3/6	12/-	22/-
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Ditto Foreign F....	3/-	11/6	
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Teazle	3/-	11/6	
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Sunflower, White	4/3	16/6	
Sunflower, Black	4/-	15/6	
Extra Large Linseed	2/6	9/6	

Maw, Gold Pleasure, Sesame 8d. lb.; Dandelion and Mustard 1d. oz.; Cuttlefish, 6d., 9d., 1/- lb.; Millet Sprays, bundles 50, 1/6, 1/9, 2/-.

Carriage paid to any Country Station in England and Wales, for one cwt. lots 1/- extra.

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2/6 lb. (90 nests), 1/6 ¼lb., 1/- ⅛lb. The cleanest and best nesting material.—M. DODGE, M.P.S., Chemist, 1, Albert Sq., Manchester.

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It is advisable that all newly-purchased birds, especially foreign birds, be kept isolated from established stock for a week or ten days, until by their condition they establish the fact that they are thoroughly healthy.

APPLIANCES

CATCH your birds alive; bird traps, 9d. each, four 2/9, eight 5/8, dozen 8/6: B. Mason, Castlegate, Malton. (143)

OUTDOOR aviaries, bird houses, for British and foreign birds, Canaries, designs: G. Latham, Kingston-by-Sea, Sussex. (133)

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These traps are not toys, but well made, and only new netting used, coloured green; second size, capable of catching pigeons, prices 1/8, 1/2, 9d.: L. Hawes, Ingate-rd., Beccles. (142)

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CAGE FRONT, 12 by 12
all best finish, 3/- doz., 14 by 12 3/6 doz., 16 by 12 4/-, 18 by 12 4/6, 24 by 12 6/- doz.; seed boxes, 1/6, 1/9, 2/- dozen; bird baths and frames, 4in., 5/6; 5in, 8/- dozen; white earthenware nestpans, 10/- gross; wires, 6/- gross; brown linings, 6/- gross; nest bags, 6/- gross; egg drawers, fit under sliding doors, 12/-, 14/- gross; wholesale price list of box cages, breeding cages, sprays, cage knobs, post free: Volunteer Wire Works, Cornhill Passage, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (69)

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a speciality; all linings blocked to shape and packed up in half-gross cardboard boxes; swansdowns, 10d. dozen, 7/6 gross; felts, 7d. and 8d. dozen, 4/6 and 5/6 gross; nest bags, 9d. dozen; cuttlefish, 9d. lb: Thwaites, Nest Lining Manufacturer, 410, Harehille Lane, Leeds.

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12 x 12 or 10, 3½d., 3/- doz; 14 x 12, 4d., 3/6 doz.; 16 x 12, 4½d., 4/- doz.; 18 x 12, 5d., 4/6 doz.; 20 x 12, 6d., 5/- doz.; 24 x 12 or 14, 7d., 6/- doz.; japanned metal seed boxes, glass fronts, 1,3, 1,6, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6 doz.; pierced bars, any mesh, 40in., 8d. doz., 6/- per gross; tinned wire, 5ft. lengths, 7lbs. 1/9; 14lbs. 3/3; non-splash baths, 8d., 10d., 1/- each; nest-pans, 1/10 doz., complete, with brackets, 2d. each; egg-pans for sliding doors, 2d. each, 1/10 doz.; improved seed mills, 1/6 each; wholesale prices to dealers: Pimm, 229 and 252, Icknield Port-rd., Birmingham.

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Owing to the vast increase of wire and solder we have had to increase our prices as follows to save using inferior wire:—12 x 12 or 10, 3½d., 3/- doz.; 14 x 12 4d., 3/6 doz.; 16 x 12, 4½d., 4/- doz.; 18 x 12, 5d., 4/6 doz.; 20 x 12, 6d., 5/- doz.; 24 x 12 or 14, 7d., 6/- doz.; special price for dealers; send for printed list post free; odd sizes, 3½d. per foot: J. Ashmore, 19, London-st., Smethwick, Birmingham, late of Heath-st.

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New sanitary earthenware nest pan, 1/6 dozen; wires 9d. dozen; white swansdown linings, 1/- dozen; Canary eggs, 6d. dozen; rings, 6d. dozen; nest bags, 9d. dozen; new round partition egg drawer, 2/- dozen; moss 9d. lb.; brown cow-hair, 9d. lb.; white deer hair, 1/9 lb.; Tam's latest non-splash bath, fitted white earthenware bath, fits any door, 4in. 8d., 4½in. 10d., 5in. 1/-, 6in. square 1/3 each; improved punched bar wire fronts, 12x12 4/6, 15x12 5/6, and 18x12 7/- dozen; see price list for other sizes; seed mills, removable plates, grind from rape to sunflower, 1/6 each, post paid 1/9; nursery cages, 1/6, 2/6; Goodman's Filup feeder, 1/- each, postage 3d. extra; Tam's Canary rings, year and numbered, 6d. doz., 4/- 100; tin seed boxes, 2in. 2/- doz., 3in. 3/- doz.; single breeding cages, enamelled blue inside, black outside, all fittings complete, 4/-, 4/6 each; double breeding cages, same finish, 6/6, 7/6, 9/6; egg and bread mills, 1/6, 2/6, 3/6 each; sprays, 2/-, 2/6; for prices, sizes of box cages, Roller cages, breeding cages, seed boxes, glass, pottery, tin ware, bird cage fittings, see my new illustrated catalogue, 120 illustrations, 84 pages; export orders receive careful attention: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (126)

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Improved flat bar wire fronts, following sizes always in stock: 12x12 5/-, 15x12 6/-, 18x12 7/-, 24x12 10/- dozen; punched bars, any mesh, 48in. long, 1/- dozen, 8/6 gross; best tinned cage wire, 7lb. 2/-, 14lb. 3/6; enamelled tin seed-boxes, 2in. 2/6, 2½in. 2/9, 3in. 3/-, 4in. 3/6 per dozen; egg and bread mills, 1/6, 2/6, 3/6 each; seed mills, 1/6 each; nest pans, 1/9 dozen; wire hangers, 9d. dozen; wood nest-boxes, 2/6 dozen; feeding boards, 2/6 dozen; pot eggs, 6d. dozen; brown cow hair, 1/- per lb.; moss, 1/- lb.; white deer hair, 1/9 lb.; bags of mixed nesting material, 9d. dozen; white swansdown linings, 1/- doz.; white wool linings, 10d. doz.; brown felt linings, 9d. dozen; egg racks, 6-division, 1/-; Canary rings, aluminium or celluloid 6d. dozen, 5/- gross; single breeding cages, 3/6, 4/6, 6/6; double breeding cages, 6/6, 8/6, 12/6; special muling cages, 11/6 each; nursery cages, 2/6; box cages, 1/9, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; selected red wood, 3-ply wood, for cage making; kindly state wants; prices quoted on application; catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (59)

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Non-splash baths, egg drawers, aviary fountains, largest manufacturer; bird, pigeon, rabbit appliances; special illustrated trade price list free: Henry Tams, Pottery Manufacturer, Warren-st., Longton, Staffs.

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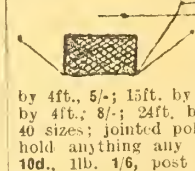

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FINE English mealworms, 500 1/6, 1,000 3/-, post paid: Trower and Co., 442, Caledonian-rd., London, N.

MEALWORMS, best English, with keeping directions, 2/- 1,000, 7/- lb.: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (134)

MEALWORMS, 6/- lb., ½lb. 3/2, 2/- 1,000, 225 7d.; weight and number guaranteed, post paid: Jones, Evanbourne-st., Brighton. (133)

MEALWORMS, 500 1/3, 1,000 2/-, pint 4/3, quart 8/-, lb. 5/6, ½lb. 3/-; carriage paid: Pierpoint, 47, Henshaw-st., Rodney-rd., Walworth. (102)

JACKSON'S large English mealworms, 200 6d., 400 1/-, ½lb. 1/9, ½lb. 3/-, 1lb. 6/-, post paid: G. Jackson, Brookland-terr., New York, Northumberland. (132)

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Mixed Seeds, in 1d. packets and upwards, also 1/- tins.

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Post Paid on Orders for Medicines value 1/- upwards.

Samples of Foods post free 3a. stamps.

SPRATT'S PATENT LIMITED,
24/25 Fenchurch St., London, E.C.

MEALWORMS, grand lot special large, 6d., 9d., 1/- boxes, post paid, 1lb. 6/6; dried flies, 2/-; ants' eggs, 2/-; yoke of egg, 3/- lb.; maggots or gentles, large boxes, 9d., 1/-, post paid: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (71)

FRESHLY gathered mixed wild seed, invaluable for all British seed-eaters, 6d. quart, 1/9 gallon, 3/- peck; new cleaned teazel, maple, and weed seed, all 6d. quart, 1/9 gallon, 3/- peck; dandelion seed, 1/- ½-lb., 3/6 lb.; sunflower seed, 2/9 gallon; Pecko, the finest conditioner known for all seed-eaters, 2/- lb.; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Food Specialist, Blackburn. (147)

LARGE English mealworms, 500 1/6, 1,000 2/6, 7,6 lb. Live white gentles, sweet and clean, 1,000 9d., 2/6 lb. Ants' eggs, 2/6 lb. Dried flies, 2/6 lb. Walsh celebrated egg bread rears from the shell, 1/6 lb., 3lbs. 4/-; Carrot meal, 1/- lb.; Yolk of egg, 3/- lb. Crissel, 4d. lb. Biscuit meal, with egg flake, 6d. lb.; Insectivorous Food, Grade 1, 1/6 lb.; Lark and Thrush food, 6d. lb.; egg-bread, 1/6 lb. Cuttlefish bone, 1/- lb. Illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Food Specialist, Blackburn. (59)

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Mealworms 2/- 1,000, special prices for quantities; flies 2/- lb., 3/- lb.; insectivorous food, 6d. to 1/6 lb.; cuttle-fish, 6d. lb.; Daphnien, new fish food, 1d. packets, 2,6 pint; gentles, 2/6 quart; Indian millet, 4d. lb., 4/- stone, 25/- cwt.; rustic nests and sleeping boxes, 9d. and 1/- each; koker-nut husks, 9d. each, unwired 4d.: De Von and Co., 114, Bethnal Green-rd., London. Price list; trade supplied.

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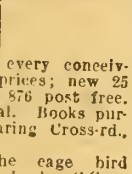

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"AILING Cage Birds and How to Cure Them," "Nutshell No. 6," an account of the troubles which beset captive birds, with the treatment and list of medicines to restore our pets to health. This will save you much discouragement and money, and costs only 2½d. post free. From "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. Or 2d. from agents (list frequently published).

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This preparation of Krekodyne added to drinking water cures affections of the breathing and digestive organs, and is an excellent tonic, 1/-. Address: **W. Vale, F.Z.S., Q.M.C. Dispensary Bird Hospital, South Norwood, London.**

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REDUCING stock still further, two pairs of Greens, and two of Cinnamons, matched to breed winners, from 12/6 per pair; very best blood obtainable: David Lunn, 17, Kelvinside-avenue, Glasgow.

HIGH-CLASS Borders, grand type and quality; buff marked hen, 4/-; buff cock, 6/6; few splendid buff hens, 3/- to 5/-; great bargains; don't miss this chance: write now; approval willingly: Irons, Park-place, Brechin. (144)

HIGH-CLASS even marked buff cock (grand mark-ings), buff cinnamon cock, yellow green cock, yellow green hens, buff and yellow cinnamon hens; cheap; approval; exchange any for good unflighted yellow Norwich hen: C. Cubby, 62, London-rd., Carlisle.

HAVE still a few select pairs from my champions; look at my wins: £3 "C.B." championship Crystal Palace, best Glasgow, Manchester, runner-up Edinburgh, etc.; pairs from 10/- to 40/-; state wants, price; stamp, approval: George Bennet, Bowmont Villa, Kelso. (144)

S. WILSON, CHAMPION DIPLOMA WINNER

has good typical Borders; cocks, 7/6, hens 6/6, or 12/6 pair; cold room; approval: Woodside, Station-rd., Cramlington, Northumberland. (135)

G. H. PRATT

Winner of S.B.F.C. cups and numerous other specials, has the following Borders for sale:—Four grand clear buff cocks, 15/- each; six splendid quality clear buff hens, 5/- each; three yellow hens, 5/- each; one yellow green hen, 5/-; these birds are all bred from my winners, and every winner bred in my own room; approval willingly: Strand Dairy, Exmouth. (137)

POSITIVE BARGAINS

In Cinnamons, Greens, Clears, etc., direct from the breeder. Most distinguished breeder of Cinnamon Borders in Britain. Send stamp for winning record, a real eye-opener; state requirements: Walter S. Wilson, "Glendyne," Southpark-rd., Hamilton.

Cinnamons.

WANTED, a good typical yellow Cinnamon hen for cash: Flatt, 5, Bramford-lane, Ipswich. (139)

SELF cinnamon buffs, clear, var., green plainhead, two C.B. hens, 1914, good type, from 7/-: McGinty, 13, Balfour-st., Leith. (138)

MUST sell, yellow cock, 15/-; buff cock (foul), 12/6; Norwich type; real bargains: Thomson, Croft Place, Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (146)

TYPICAL yellow hen, 6/-; variegated cinnamon buff hen, 10/-: unflighted: Bonniwell, 63, St. Quintin-avenue, North Kensington. (134)

A RARE CHANCE

Owing to change of residence, clearing out all my famous cinnamons, but three pairs, buffs cocks and hens, beauties, 12/6 upwards; yellow cocks, 10/- upwards; no single hens; approval, stamp: Rev. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland. (119)

Belgians.

FOR high-shouldered Belgians, see my list: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

BELGIANS.—Several good birds for sale, pairs or single, from my winners; cheap: Horrill, King Edward-st., Barnstaple. (139)

GEORGE BAKER, 35 years Belgian breeder, exhibitor, offers grand pairs and single birds cheap; approval: Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (144)

GOOD high-shouldered young Belgians for sale, same strain my winners Crystal Palace, Scottish Derby, Barnstaple, etc., cocks, hens, cheap; approval: A. Baker, 35, Richmond-st., Barnstaple. (145)

Crests and Crestbreds.

CRESTS, Crestbreds, cocks, also hens, 1914 hatched, 10/- to 20/- each; approval: 83, De Gray-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (106)

EVANS BROTHERS, only six cocks left, 15/- to 40/-, real bargains at the price; healthy, approval: High-st., Exeter. (115)

TWO pair, Crest cock, C.B. hen, 15/- pair; two Crested cocks, 10/- each: Richardson, 6, Lower Orchard-st., York. (145)

BREEDER has some Crests and Crest-breds to sell from 15/- pair; approval: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-av., Forest Gate, Essex. (1980)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, fit to win, 10/6, 15/6 each; ten days' approval.—W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (112)

BARGAIN for someone; grand large Crested stock cock; caretaking; particulars: Salmon, 9, Plympton-rd., Brondesbury, N.W. (136)

ONLY two left for disposal; fine green Crested cock, 40/-; nice Crestbred hen, 15/-: William Tatman, Midland-rd., Wellingborough.

THREE Crestbred hens from 6/- to 12/-, good turnover; exchange one for two Norwich cocks: Acred, 124, Rupert-st., Nottingham. (135)

WELL-BRED young Crested and Crestbred Canaries, 6/6 upwards; approval: B. Hacker, Beechcourt, St. Helen's Park-rd., Hastings. (134)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, several to part with; good stock birds: reasonable; approval; stamp: H. Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (141)

CRESTED hens, 5/- each; Crestbred hens, 3/- each; two green Crested cocks, 6/- each: T. Pennock, 14, Trafager-st. West, Scarborough. (138)

HIGH class Crests, best blood, cocks or hens, 35 years' breeder, judge of many shows, reasonable approval: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham.

WANTED, large variegated Crestbred cock and hen, 1914; exchange good pair Yorkshires: The Acacias, Urmston Park, Urmston, near Manchester.

1914 Crestbred hen, £1, ditto 15/-; Crested cock, 15/-, ditto hen, 10/-; approval; stamp: Angus MacDougall, Carronvale-rd., Larbert, Stirlingshire.

NOTICE.—Grand lot Crests and Crested bred for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

MRS. THOS. TAYLOR'S champion strain, good stock, Crest hens and Crestbred cocks, from 50/- pair; approval, stamp: 68, Edward-st., Gateshead.

F. W. BARNETT has a few useful stock Crest pairs, also Crestbred cocks, cheap; approval; stamp reply: Address Greenway House, Fakenham, Norfolk. (138)

EXCEPTIONALLY good and cheap Crests and Crestbreds; see my list, or state requirements, as they are not a paper collection: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

REAL bargains, 1914, variegated dark crested cock, 15/-; good grey, 12/6, big massive bird; another dark 1914 Crested, 7/6; grand Crestbred, variegated, 12/6, 1914; all worth double; approval: College, Kilburn, Derby. (141)

ONLY five left for disposal; fine green Crested cock, 40/-; unflighted green Crested cock, 40/-; also three Crestbred hens, cheap: William Tatman, Midland-rd., Wellingborough.

BARGAINS.—Two useful Crested cocks, one nearly green, 1914 bred, one wing marked dark Crest, 1913, both bred from winners, 10/6 each; approval: J. Miller, 43, Sandy-lane, Mansfield. (141)

GREY Crested cock, var. hen, 30/-; dark Crested cock, clear hen, 25/-; Crestbred cock, Crested hen, 25/-; few single cocks, hens from 10/-; approval: Pettit, 146, Moselle-av., Wood Green. (139)

CHAMPION Crest and Crestbred of my Palace and cup winners; this strain has won all over England; many good birds to part with, both sexes: Bewick, 7, Newfield, S.O., Newcastle-on-Tyne.

G. CLYNNE, Mora-st., W., offers most of his Crests and Crestbreds, all bred from winners, grand stock birds, from 7/6 each; approval; wanted a large Crested cock, will give a good price for same. (152)

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Crests, very heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, certain to breed winners, Palace winning strain, only 17/6; honestly worth £2; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (140)

GOOD Crests cheap, variegated cock, 1914, very heavy feather, good crest, 12/6; variegated cock, 1913, big bird, beautiful silky crest, 15/6; few 1913 Crested hens, 10/- each: G. W. Maisey, Aldermaston, Berks. (132)

F. G. BALE, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Crest and Crestbreds, offers 1914 Crestbred cock, £5; ditto, 30/-; 1913 ditto, Green, £5; 1914 Crested cock, £6; ditto, 40/-; approval: Crestlyn, Victoria-st., Barnstaple. (146)

CREST and Crestbreds. Geo. Williams, 50a, Lower Union-st., Torquay, one of the oldest breeders in the Fancy, has bred and shown scores of winners; has some nice young birds for sale, price from 10s. to £10; on approval. (93)

A. LISTER, 106, Rectory-rd., Gateshead, has a very large stock of Crests and Crestbreds, cocks or hens, for disposal, at reasonable prices, green, clear, and variegated, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-, 40/-, 45/-, 50/-, 60/-, 70/-, 80/- each; approval. (143)

FOR sale, grand variegated Crestbred cock, 25/-; variegated Crestbred hen, 15/-; clear Crestbred hen, unflighted, 12/6; wing-marked Dark Crest cock, 20/-; all have long veiny feather; exchange any above for good Crest hen: Potter, Walker-st., Hull. (144)

CREST SALE

Green Crest cock, clear buff Crestbred hen, 35/-; ditto pair, 30/-; green Crest hen, lightly marked Crestbred hen, 20/-; two genuine offers; Crest alone worth money; approval: Rowe, 19, Lipson-av., Plymouth. (142)

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

has five young evenly marked Crest cocks from 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; also several other good Crests both in cocks and hens, from 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-; Crestbred cocks and hens, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6; week's approval, deposit: 105, Trinity Street, Norwich. (139)

Dutch Frills.

WANTED, buff hen Frill, clear preferred, Dutch or Parisian; state price and particulars: Millsum, 79, Northdown-rd., Cliftonville, Margate. (131)

Lancashires.

LARGE massive Lancashires, Plainhead cocks 12/6, hens 10/6 each, ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (91)

WINNING yellow Plainhead cock, fine, big bird; exchange two yellow hens, or Crestbreds: Hingley, Central Quarry Bank, Staffs. (143)

MUST sell, clear buff cock, 10/-; yellow variegated cock, 10/-; buff variegated cock, 10/-; grand substance, all unflighted: Thomson, Croft-place, Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (146)

Lizards.

NOTE these figures! Lizard cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 3/- upwards, two for 5/6; cage 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

E. OLLERENSHAW can still spare a few good Silvers, Lizards; cocks from 10/-; hens, Gold or Silvers, from 5/-; approval: 37, Frectown, Glossop, Derbyshire. (137)

GOLD and Silver Lizards: cocks from 10/- each; pairs from 15/- per pair; all 1914 birds, and no better strain; on approval.—J. Green and Sons, 256, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs. (146)

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W. P. BARNES, Breeder champion Lizards, winner Lancashire and Lizard Club Championship trophy, 1913-14 cocks, from 8/6; hen from 5/-; properly matched pairs from 15/-; approval: 23a, London-rd., Grantham. (1995)

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LARGE yellow foul green cock, good head, quality, and Norwich type, 20/-; also buff green hen, equally good in all points, 10/-: Cannon, Hemel Hempstead.

CHAMPION Norwich, winner outright G.C.A. cup, 3 firsts, second, etc., last Palace show; prices reasonable; stamp: L. F. Harding, 29a, Market-st., Wellingborough. (92)

Norwich.

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FRANK F. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle. Breeder and exhibitor. Champion Norwich, two yellow cocks, 25/-, 20/-; six buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; all cheap to clear; inquiries solicited.

JUDGE SILK, 27, St. Michel's Rd., Aldershot, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich, winner at all leading shows; inspection invited; show and stock birds at reasonable prices; approval.

FIVE buff Norwich cocks, 1914, 7/- each: Miss F. Bird, Farcet, Peterborough. (89)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

WANTED, a good large typical yellow cock for cash: Flatt, 5, Bramford lane, Ipswich. (139)

FOUR typical yellow Norwich hens and two buffs, 18/-; or will separate: 252, Ashley-rd., Parkstone.

NORWICH Canaries for sale; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; well bred: Davidson, 17, Sutherland-rd., Bow, E.

NORWICH unflighted self yellow green hen, prize stock, £3: J. Stephen, 43, Cairnfield-place, Aberdeen.

NORWICH cock, yellow, 7/6, hen 2/6, yellow 1913 birds: J. Munday, Ordshall Stables, Twyford, Berks.

YOUNG Norwich, cocks, clear and variegated, 5/-; hens, from 3/-: Miss Pratt, 5, Quadrant, Exeter.

A FEW good Norwich Canaries for sale, cocks and hens, cheap: O'Hagan, 50, Monkton-rd., Jarrow.

NORWICH, 3 buff hens, all unflighted, cheap to clear: John Fulton, 284, Calder-st., Govanhill, Glasgow. (96)

YELLOW hens, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-; buff hens 6/6, 7/6, 12/6, cash: Brewster, Monumental Works, Norwich. (111)

GIVING up the whole of my stock of Norwich cocks and hens, cheap: Silver, 72, Peel-st., Birmingham. (92)

BARGAIN, two Norwich cocks, four hens and two hen Mules, £1 the lot: Simpson, 6, South-rd., South Ealing. (142)

NORWICH for sale, three cocks, two hens, 6/- each, 25/- the lot; a bargain: Taylor, 113, High-st., Brechin. (135)

FOUR good pairs Norwich and few big yellow hens, seen any time; no dealers: Finlayson, 6, Irwell-terr., Salford. (136)

TYPICAL specimens this variety; cocks from 10/6, hens 3/6 upwards: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (141)

MR. SILK, Emsworth, has two very large buff Norwich cocks, 20/- each, mated to nice hen 30/-; approval.

FEW well-bred Norwich, good stock bird, 10/- and 12/6; cheap to clear; approval: Myles, 4, Queen-st., Arbroath. (147)

ONE fine buff Norwich hen 7/6, another 6/6, var. yellow 5/6, few feeders 2/-: Rollick, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (137)

TWELVE good Norwich hens, 35/- the lot; exchange for pair of good Crests: Clough, 145, Clifton-rd., Rugby. (136)

LARGE Norwich hens from 6/-; large Norwich cocks from 8/-; approval, stamp: Hendrie, 211, Montrose-st., Brechin. (135)

NORWICH cocks, yellow and buff, from 10/-; hens from 8/-; approval, stamp: A. Pirie, 255, Montrose-st., Brechin. (135)

THREE unflighted buff Norwich cocks, good size and quality; cheap: Holliday, 76, Coplaw-st., Govanhill, Glasgow. (137)

GOOD pair Norwich, cock winner, with show cage and case, 20/-, worth double: Soper, 22, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey. (142)

PRIZE bred Norwich cocks from 7/6; large heads; some winners, Barnes' strain; room wanted: Tripe, Parr-st., Exeter. (136)

LAST 3 pairs, 15/-, 20/-, and 30/-, 1914, from my winners, worth double: MacFadyen, 159, Church-place, Barrhead. (123)

NORWICH.—Few good hens at 5/- each; some green, buff and yellow: Levatine, 12, Foster-rd., Chiswick, London. (133)

FEW Norwich buff cocks, one yellow, from 10/-; one pair, 1913, 25/-; approval: Pettit, 146, Moselle-st., Wood Green. (139)

HALFORD, 10, Lismore-circus, Gospel Oak; cocks 6/-, hens 3/-; sex guaranteed; inspection invited; at home any time.

HAVE good 1912 and 1914 buff cocks to part with; prices reasonable; approval; stamp: Irons, Ivy-Road, Northampton. (140)

A FEW Norwich hens for sale, 3/- each; clears and variegated: Whittlesay, 53, Pullen's-buildings, Penton-place, Walworth. (137)

NORWICH, good, also some fine Borders; selling out; single, or the lot; approval; stamp: Hampton, Demeure-rd., Brechin. (112)

YELLOW variegated Norwich cock, 2 buff hens, unflighted, sell 25/-: offers, 1914 Borders: Dempster, 7, Laigh Park, Paisley. (144)

GRAND yellow cock, 15/-; big var. buff hen, 15/-; 25/- pair; approval, deposit: Dawson, 117, Primrose-st., Farnworth, Bolton. (135)

WANTED, Norwich Greens in exchange for a massive pair of Crests value 35/-; mutual approval: A. Bridgwater, Warwick. (138)

EXCEPTIONAL bargains: yellow and buff hens from 3/-; ditto cocks from 7/6: Jay, S.N.P.C., 176, Astonville-st., Southfields (133)

1914 LARGE buff Norwich cock, 15/6; hens, 4/6; double breeder, 3/-; exchange Rollers: Lea, 55, Waterloo-sq., Camberwell. (133)

GRAND yellow Norwich cock, rare size, type, quality, good stock bird, 12/6; approval: Vince, Crockers, Mortimer, Berks. (131)

TWELVE unflighted Norwich cocks, c.f., on long, 5/- each: Harrold, 105, Ashes-rd., Causeway Green, Langley, near Birmingham. (139)

SEVERAL typical Norwich and Cinnamons; prices reasonable; approval: A. Haynes, 24, Town End, Bolsover, near Chesterfield. (138)

HENS, few big, typical, 3/6 to 6/6; also big unflighted yellow cock, 12/6; approval, deposit: Baker, 44, Bowthorne-rd., Norwich. (134)

CLEAR yellow hen, 1913, 10/6; variegated buff hen, 7/6; two smaller hens, 4/6 each; approval: Wheat, Butcher, Shoeburyness. (144)

RETIRING from Fancy; prize strain, genuine bargains; cocks, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 3/6, 5/-: Briggs, Fruiterer, Turner-st., Ramsgate. (84)

FOR sale, a yellow cock and buff hen, 25/-; also var. yellow cock and buff hen, 20/-; great bargain: McNaughton, Dumfriess, Larbert.

CLEAR buff Norwich cock, 1914, full song, 7/-; few clear young hens, 3/- each; cash or deposit: Wilson, 68, Allen-st., Maidstone. (144)

NORWICH.—Four grand pairs, 12/6 pair to clear; only want seeing; approval willingly: Silver, 92, Richmond-rd., Earl's Court, London. (132)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or breeding; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (129)

FOUR good Norwich cocks, yellow and buffs, clears, in full song, 6/- each, or £1 the 4; approval: Wm. Reeder, Swan-st., Fakenham, Norfolk. (131)

YELLOW hens, three, 4/6 each; two buff, 3/6 each; one only buff cock, 6/6; clear lot cheap: Trevallion, 16, Higham-rd., Tottenham. (133)

VARIEGATED unflighted buff hen, size, type, and quality, short flights and tail, 15/-: approval: Miller, Culmington Manor, Craven Arms, Salop. (135)

BARGAIN.—Unflighted buff Norwich cock, even marked, 10/6; from winners; approval willingly: Harrdence, Borough Cemetery, Wibtech. (137)

WHAT offers in cash for twelve 1914 Norwich Canaries, as bred, about six cocks, cheap; insufficient room: Hunter, 3, Caledonia-st., Scarborough. (134)

VERY handsome rich yellow and variegated young Norwich cocks, grand songsters, 4/-, two 7/6; hens 2/3, two 4/-: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (143)

NORWICH, some really good buff hens, 1914, ready for putting up, 3/6; inspection invited: C. Harbour, Grocer, 263, Glyn-rd., Clapton, London. (141)

J. R. FAUX, 32, West-st., Huckuall Torkard, Notts, has several grand pairs of Norwich for sale at £1 and upwards; approval with pleasure. (138)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich Canaries; pairs matched for breeding, 12/6; satisfaction guaranteed; also greens: Gosling, 64, Beaumont-rd., Leicester. (139)

NORWICH cocks and hens, splendid condition; also fine Crested cock; cheap for quick sale; seen any time at: 116, Queen's-rd., Finsbury Park. (110)

CLEAR buff muling hens, Norwich type, 3/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (54)

CHAMPION Norwich, cocks or hens, very large, grand type, judge of many shows; reasonable, approval: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (111)

WHAT offers for 3 common Norwich variegated cocks, full song, 1914 birds, 2 buffs, 1 yellow, cold-room bred: A. Bland, 9, Somersall-st., Mansfield. (130)

SOME good stock birds, chiefly cocks, reduced to 10/6; typical, good wing carriage, fine quality: Barrows, 7, Grosvenor-res., St. Leonard's-on-Sea. (139)

WANTED, offers in large typical Norwich for good pair of Yorkshires value 20/-; and a massive pair of Crests value 35/-: A. Bridgwater, Warwick. (138)

SIX pairs rich buff Norwich, large cobby birds, cold room bred, 9/- pair to clear; worth double; offer the lot, deposit: Wheeler, Griffin's Wood, Epping. (141)

ONLY a few well matched pairs left from 30/-; right shape, lovely quality, best of condition; approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (140)

MR. ECKERSLEY offers large yellow cock, 20/-; unflighted buff, perfect type, 10/-; charming buff hen, 20/-; bargain: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (136)

GOOD 1914 yellow cock, Vardy's, 10/-; two good 1913 yellow hens, one good 1913 buff hen, 15/- the three; approval, deposit: Butler, Rhosymedre, Ruabon. (139)

MORRIS, Fancier, Ryde, offers following Norwich: Large buff cock, winner 2nd, yellow hen, 21/6 pair; buff cock, 2nd winner, yellow hen, 17/6 pair; bargains. (139)

HIGH class Norwich; having bought all H. Walton's stock, cocks 7/-, 10/-, 15/-, hens 6/-, 10/-, 12/- and upwards: A. Riley, No. 43, Lower Church Gate, Leicester. (117)

WINNERS and bred off winners; yellow and buff cocks and hens, 1914, birds; in perfect health; approval: Mrs. James Banks, 51, Balhouse-st., Perth, Scotland. (66)

A FEW good prize prizebred Cinnamon Norwich buff cocks, the late Judge Dobson's strain, 7/6 to 20/-: G. A. Parker, 17, Litchfield-av., Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (134)

CLEAR buff cock, 1914, with yellow ticked hen, 12/6 the pair; 1 lightly variegated buff ben, good head, large bird, 7/6; approval: Wheat, Butcher, Shoeburyness. (144)

NOTICE; two good stock Norwich cocks; clear buff, 10/-; yellow green, 12/6; same strain as my winners; approval: Barnes, Factory-row, Whalley, near Blackburn. (137)

MR. INNES, Estate Factor, Largs, Ayrshire, in changing stock, offers several winning cocks, also hens and pairs, at nominal prices; all large and typical; letters only. (144)

MASSIVE buff hen, grand quality, winner, 15/-; unflighted yellow hen, 7/6; variegated buff hen, 7/-; approval; deposit: Garner, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (143)

FOR disposal, 6 pairs of well bred Norwich, price £1 per pair; all are 1914 bred, of good quality, and Typical birds; approval willingly: Withers, 21, Oxford-rd., Ealing. (111)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each: satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

J. LITCHFIELD, 32, Tennyson-rd., Luton, winner ofEad's cup, and Norwich cup outright at Luton, has some grand birds to dispose of, cocks from 8/-, hens from 5/-; approval. (133)

A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster, has only a few good Norwich left; buff hens all sold; several grand yellow and buff cocks, tremendous reductions to early purchasers. (139)

NORWICH.—I have three pairs of grand chubby Norwich to clear; sacrifice at 15/- pair; cheap at 25/-; approval anywhere: Silver, 92, Richmond-rd., Earl's Court, London. (132)

H. V. HUGGINS has still a few left; 2 grand unflighted yellow cocks, 10/- each; 2 grand buff hens, 6/- and 8/-; also few buff cocks; approval, stamp: 40, Tabor-st., Burnley. (144)

BARGAIN.—Six buff hens, 3/- each; one cock, 6/-, all unflighted, healthy, and colour fed; or in one lot 17/6; worth 30/-: J. Hand, Meadow Lea, Albany Drive, Herne Bay. (133)

HOPKINSON, Saddler, Newark; 6 wins in 7 entries at last Newark show, namely, 2 firsts, specials, and 4 cards; Norwich pairs, 15/-, 17/6; 2 good coloured cock Goldfinches, 5/- each. (137)

MR. SAVAGE, Westfield Aviaries, Goole, has some excellent Norwich at 8/6, 10/6 pair, two pairs for 16/-; grand trim, ready for pairing, packed free; show cages, equal to new, cheap. (136)

W. L. TAYLOR can spare about thirty cocks and hens in one lot at £7 10/-, or separate; cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/- upward; inspection invited: 35, Browning rd., Leytonstone, E. (141)

PRIZE bred Norwich for disposal, winner of over 50 prizes, also Middlesex Cup for 1914; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; approval; cold room: William Phipps, 16, Millplatt, Isleworth. (114)

TO sell, room needed, 2 pairs, yellow cocks, buff hens, 20/-, 35/-; 2 yellow unflighted hens, 10/6, 5/6, J. C. Barnes, Rev. Nunc strain; approval, deposit: Demain, 29, Brook-st., Clitheroe. (137)

GIVING up; clear buff Norwich cock, 2nd prize Palace, with clear yellow hen, commended Palace, 50/- pair; cocks from 8/6; hens from 5/6: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (143)

NINE handsome large unflighted buff Norwich hens, one yellow, proper type, 6/6 each, lot 50/-; three large buff cocks, bred from yellows, 8/- each, lot 20/-: Ellis, 1, Mill-rd., Kettering. (137)

EXCEPTIONAL opportunity; without question no better blood anywhere; non-lights in breeding condition; no fancy prices; from 7/6: H. Tomsett, S.N.P.C., 34, Endwell-rd., Brockley. (135)

HARLAND'S champion Norwich for disposal, yellow and buff cocks (unflighted), 15/-, 17/6, 20/- each; also few good pairs, matched, 20/-, 25/-, and 30/- pair, exchange: Geo. Harland, 63, Wellbeck-st., Hull. (123)

The BULL-DOG STRAIN

Champion Norwich and Yorkshires. 20/-, 30-/, 40/-, 50/- per pair.

The above strain needs no bounce. All I need do is to refer you to the reports of leading shows. My birds are winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. I have also bred and sold birds that have won for my clients all over the country. Testimonials in proof of this are always open for the inspection of my visitors. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks**, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Good Cobby Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Matched breeding pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Erect racy Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. Matched Breeding Pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES**, bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each upwards.

FEBRUARY, 1915. UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. FEBRUARY, 1915.

The following testimonials, in addition to scores of others (which are always open for the inspection of my visitors) have been received during **February, 1915**:—

St. John's Lane, Unstone.—I received birds this morning. The cock was singing in less than an hour. I am very well satisfied.—E. Knowles to Joe Thomas.

Clyde Avenue, Sheerness.—Received the pair of **Yorkshires** to-day quite safe. I am very pleased with them. They are a grand pair for the money.—W. E. Brooker to Joe Thomas.

Aitkens Buildings, Dipton, Co. Durham.—The pair **Norwich** arrived safe and sound, and are a splendid pair. Should I want any more you shall have my order.—J. T. Steel to Joe Thomas.

Melverley St., Wallgate, Wigan.—I am very well satisfied with the **Roller cock** you sent me. I had two friends to hear it, and they wanted to buy it, but I wouldn't sell.—J. Harrison to Joe Thomas.

Wisbech, Cambs.—One of my friends is so pleased with the birds you sent me, and wishes to have a set like them. Kindly send the following.—Hineacock to Joe Thomas.

Auchinleck, Ayrshire.—I bred a good buff cock from the **Norwich** hen you sold me 2 years ago. He was twice first at our local shows. I now require the following.—A. Whyper to Joe Thomas.

28, South St., Bargoed.—Received **Roller** safe. He is singing first rate. It is a treat to listen to the Roller and the Goldie Mule I had from you. I advise anyone that wants a good bird to send to you.—W. Blewitt to Joe Thomas.

New St., Underwood, Jacksdale, Notts.—I received the birds safe on Wednesday. I am delighted with both the **Yorkshires** and **Norwich**. I thank you for your prompt attention. I have never seen such healthy and clean birds sent out before. I shall recommend you to my friends.—C. H. Woodhouse to Joe Thomas.

Considerations of space only prevent me from publishing scores similar to above, **but please remember this: I guarantee the same absolute satisfaction to all customers.**

ROLLERS, MULES, CRESTS, BORDER FANCIES, &c.

British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, **10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each. **Hens same pure strain, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. Matched Pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- 30/-.**

Mules.—Over 100 Goldfinch and Linnet Mule cocks in full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each.

Crests and Crestbreds.—I have an exceptionally large and choice selection of this variety, including some very large, massive birds, with plenty of feather. **Cocks, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each upwards. **Hens, 5/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6** upwards. **Splendid Matched Pairs, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-** per pair.

MULING HENS.—Large, healthy, Sib.-bred Muling Hens, in perfect condition, **3/6, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-** each. These I can specially recommend to Mule breeders.

BORDER FANCIES.—Grand, smart, typical birds, real "Wee Gems," full of life and vigour, and bred from well-known winuning strains. Cocks, in full song, **5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. Hens, in perfect health and condition, **3/-, 3/6 4/-, 5/-, 7/6** each. Matched Breeding Pairs, **7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** per pair.

SONGSTERS! SONGSTERS!! SONGSTERS!!!—Champion song cocks, in full free song, **5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 10/6** each. Sure to give satisfaction. Approval anywhere.

TERMS.—Cash or deposit with Editor. **Easy Payments** can be arranged if necessary with genuine fanciers.

Travelling Cages **3d.** extra in all cases.

Remember This, Please.—I invite you to come on any day but Sunday and inspect my stock, and make your own selection. If unable to come, I am prepared to send any number of birds to any address in the Kingdom on 10 days' approval at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to every customer, or cash returned in full. **Send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue.**

JOE THOMAS Breeder, Exhibitor and Exporter, **Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks**

OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

HOLDEN'S champion Norwich, the best strain in the North; large yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 40/- each; hens, 10/- to 40/- each; three days' approval; cash: 59, Hartington-st., Gateshead. (125)

BUFF cock, 25/-, show bird, several other buff cocks and two yellow hens, from 7/6; unflighted, carefully bred from the very best blood; approval: H. J. Barnbury, Preston-rd., Yeovil. (109)

E. BAKER offers massive stout buff hen, 9/6; thick-necked variegated yellow hen, short flights, 10/-; typical yellow hen, cobby, 11/6; exchange large Cinnamous: Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (134)

NORWICH.—I have for sale some big yellow and buff cocks, teeming with quality, some fit to win, at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; approval: Silver, 92, Richmond-rd., Earl's Court, London. (132)

F. PILCHER, winner of numerous cups, etc., for Norwich, has splendid clear yellow unflighted cock, would win, 15/-; also large buff cock, 1913, second prize, massive head, 15/-: 57, Strand, Walmer. (131)

A REAL bargain, large, clear yellow, colour-fed Norwich cock, a splendid stock bird, and really worth double, singing, and in fine condition, 12/6 only: W. Holme, 26, Hillside-rd., Streatham Hill, S.W. (137)

UNFLIGHTED natural colour ticked yellow cock, medium size, good type and head, 15/-; clear buff hen, to match, both off birds from Midgley and Baker, 7/6, or £1 the pair: Cannon, Hemel Hempstead. (147)

RARE chance to improve stock; extra large yellow and buff Norwich cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, 30/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-, 20/- each; 7 days approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (54)

CHAMPION Norwich, unflighted yellow cock, 25/-; buff hen to match, 10/-; unflighted buff cock, winner, 30/-, do. 25/-; few buff hens, 1 yellow, cheap; approval, cash or deposit: W. H. Williams, Llangoed, Anglesey. (137)

SALE, 3 Norwich cocks, buff-bred, same as my winners at leading shows, 15/- each to clear; or would exchange any for green Borders or Rollers; approval: H. Thompson, 25, Humber-st., Weaste, Manchester. (141)

BUFF variegated Norwich cock, grand size, type, 25/-; buff cock, grand head, 20/-; buff, unflighted, 10/-; yellow, unflighted, 10/-; yellow hens, 7/6: see wins Carlisle, Glasgow: Bell, 35, Clementina-terr., Carlisle. (143)

RARE cobby 1913 ticked buff hen, very deep chest, perfect wings and tail, superb feather, 12/6; also one marked and one clear, 10/ each; all from winners; approval, deposit: George Baxter, Highfield, Eccleshers.

MISS GWYN has splendid clear buff cock, 1913, 25/-; clear yellow cock, 21/-, has won; yellow and buff hens also winners, 15/6 each; other cocks from 9/-; hens from 7/6; approval: Somerville, N. Avenue, Ramsgate. (142)

NORWICH, 1913, 1914, yellow cocks, 7/6; 1913 buff hens, 4/-, 4/6 each; 1914 Norwich Roller cocks, 4/6; housemoulted cock Greenfinch, 2/6; exchange: Daruton, 13, The Avenue, Crescent-st., Coltinghain, Yorks. (138)

SLASHING monster, broad skull and chest, yellow variegated cock, real topper, £1: extra monster buff cock, all body, 15/-; smart buff variegated hen, all quality; these are special birds, in tip-top breeding form; approval: Laidlow, Painter, Langholm. (143)

GRAND Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- upwards; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- upwards; cold-room 1914 matched pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, cash; approval, deposit: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester; close to Midland Station. (118)

BUFFS and yellows, cocks and hens; will take 50/- for 18, or sell separate; cocks, 5/- to 7/-; hens, 2/- to 3/-; Greenfinch Canary cock, singing, 7/6; or would entertain exchange in British or Foreign seed-eaters: Hillary, Ash Vale, Surrey. (147)

T. HUTTON, breeder and exhibitor at leading shows, offers large, typical buff and yellow cocks, the same birds that were winning at Falkirk Good Intent; see last week's show reports in CAGE BIRDS; stamp; approval: Ivylea, Larbert. (144)

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Norwich Plainheads, rare size, type and quality, certain to breed winners, only 12/6, honestly worth 25/-; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (140)

MARTIN COOK has several grand stock birds, very large buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, and 20/-; breeding condition; several pairs, suit amateurs; will breed winners, 12/6 and 15/-; no odd hens; these are all carefully bred from my winners; approval, deposit: 17, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth. (136)

BARGAINS in Norwich; clear buff cock, good head, only 7/6; heavily variegated buff cock, unflighted, good head, nice stock bird, 12/6; very nice clear buff, unflighted cock, short compact bird, fairly good all points, 20/-; the above are good birds and really cheap at the money; approval: Edward Hendry, Fraserburgh. (145)

TO convenience for alteration, am disposing of few good birds, intended for own use; 1913 buff hen, 25/-; 1914 buff hen, 30/-; 1914 marked yellow hen, 20/-; 1914 buff cock, 27/6; 1914 var. yellow cock, medium size, 12/-; all in perfect health and condition, bred from genuine quality stock: W. R. King, 200, Kingston-rd., Portsmouth. (136)

TWO grand unflighted buff Norwich hens, good heads and necks, good size, real Bullfinch type, bred from big winners, only 5/6 each, 10/6 the two; good large yellow cock to match above hens, 10/6, or £1 the set; sure to produce winners; 6 days' approval; cash, or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (144)

ONE of the best buff stock Norwich cocks living, rattling good top end and clean feather, free from Crest blood, a bargain, only 17/6, with lovely unflighted ticked yellow hen, bred from winners, 8/6, 25/- the pair; a bargain at 50/-; 6 days' approval, cash, or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (144)

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E. BAKER, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, one of the best studs in the world, winner of 11 cups, 7 guinea shield, 25-guinea bowl, salad bowls, gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas for best Norwich at Crystal Palace, two L. and P.O. challenge cups won outright at Palace, etc.; also hundreds of other prizes too numerous to mention; some good birds, single and pairs, for sale at very reasonable prices; those who were disappointed last year should write at once: Victoria Aviaries, 13 and 14, High-st., Cowes, I.W.

OWING to removal from Whitstable I must sell a great number of my champion Norwich. Have some grand matched pairs at £1 per pair, several pairs 40/-, no higher prices; grand yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 30/-, hens 10/- to 25/-, no bounce here. The right sort, and the finest strain living; approval; note change of address of England's premier Norwich breeder and exhibitor: Judge Silk, 27, St. Michaels-rd., Aldershot. (133)

GENUINE exhibition and stock Norwich; impossible to get better; (1) clear yellow cock, with large head and neck, good substance, nice quality, and a big one, won 2nd at Reading, 6th Scottish National, 1913 bred, 60/-; (2) ticked unflighted buff hen, a model for type and quality, and good in head, sister to my 1st prize unflighted buff cock L.C.B.A., 20/-; this will make a grand pair; (3) unflighted marked yellow cock, a winner and a big one, with good head and nice quality, sure to breed winners, 50/-; I can mate him to a good clear buff hen, 60/- the pair; also other good birds for sale; kindly state requirements; approval: C. W. Silk, Glenrosa, Emsworth. (137)

MR. A. L. HAWKES offers the following classical Norwich and specimens that are difficult to get, and rarely, or if ever, offered by other known fanciers: Massive framed deep-chested buff Norwich cock, with magnificent head and neck, thick-set, deeply-fed, even flights, short tail, lovely wing carriage, perfect model all through, 30/-; also rich fed yellow cock, similar in every respect to the above, and for a yellow his equal will be hard to find, especially his size, 30/-; also one of the grandest buff hens ever seen, true to type, shape and size, full of quality, real gem, 25/-; also yellow hen, exceptionally large, with rare head, chest and neck, very chubby, 21/-; the above are first-class typical stock, and of giant size, full of quality, and feathered to perfection; cold-room bred; approval anywhere: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (147)

IMPORTANT notice.—Fanciers wishing to purchase champion winning high-class Norwich, all my entire stock, 154 birds for disposal, Bullfinch type, thick set, cobby, good heads, full necks, short flight and tail, colour-fed, splendid clear yellow, or yellow variegated, unflighted cocks, splendid type, good all over, £1 each; clear yellow stock cocks, 15/- each; massive large clear buff stock cocks, £1 each; large clear buff or buff variegated unflighted cocks, beautiful quality, good all over, 15/- each; large clear yellow or yellow variegated hens, £1 each; medium unflighted yellow or variegated hens, 10/- each; beautiful clear buff hens, or variegated buff hens, 15/- each; medium size buff hens, 7/6 each; rather small buff hens, unflighted, 5/- each; yellow cock Siskin mules, 6/-; cock field-moulted Bullfinch, winner, 4/-; all the above are as advertised, all are thick, short, cobby, cocks and hens, good heads, full necks, short flight, tail, etc. Leaving March 25, cause of sale. I invite all fanciers to call and see any time, all made welcome; cash with order; not satisfied money returned; apply: T. Hoss, Butcher, 24½, Catherine-st., Leicester. (140)

CAN spare following champion bred, high-class Norwich Plainheads, at one-third cost and value, as I am not breeding this season, all my very best will be sold. For size, large heads, chests, and proper Norwich points they cannot be beaten. (1) Monster big headed, clear yellow cock, 1913 bred, cost last season £3 10s., accept 35/-, rare good stock bird; (2) massive, big headed clear yellow cock, regular stormer, never was a better all-round yellow bred, £3; clinking 1914 bred marked yellow cock (No. 3), large head, grand body, an ideal Norwich, only £2 2s.; (4) extra large marked buff cock, real wonder, 1914 bred, win anywhere, price £2 2s.; (5) variegated yellow hen, best for breeding winners living, massive head, size, 1913 bred, only £2; (6) large ticked buff hen, cost 35/-, accept 15/6; (7) variegated buff hen, 4/-; (8) variegated yellow hen, 5/-; (9) clear buff hen, gem, only 7/6; few monster yellows, also buff hens, clears or marked, 1914 bred, enormous big heads, size, full of quality, the class to win, or breed winners from, 10/- to £3 each: send at once; stamp for particulars: Cyril Victor Cubley, Lutton Gowts, Long Sutton, Lincs. (147)

THE BEST OFFERED

from Jonque green pairs, 7/6, 8/6; lovely buff hens, beautifully mealed, 10/6, 12/6 approval: Colledge, Kilburn, Derby. (141)

POWICK'S CHAMPION NORWICH

Large typical Norwich; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6; hens, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury.

CHAMPION NORWICH

Cocks, 6/6 to 12/6; hens, 4/6 to 10/6; pairs, 11/- to 20/-; yellow cock, winner, 40/-: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley. (142)

DISSOLVING PARTNERSHIP

Must clear, 2 unflighted yellow Norwich hens, 15/- each; 1913 buff hen, 15/-; unflighted buff cock, 15/-; yellow cock, 12/6; 2 unflighted yellow and buff hens, 7/6 each; these birds have won us 2 silver cups and medals: Cawtheray and Son, 2, Thomas-st., Huddersfield, Yorkshire. (134)

WANTED

a really typical yellow cock, either clear or variegated (unflighted preferred), must have plenty of substance, good head and neck, short well carried wings and tail; a good figure offered for really good bird: R. Whittaker, 15, Clarke-st., Rishton. (138)

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

has a choice lot of pure Norwich cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; week's approb., deposit. Apply 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (139)

THE RIGHT STUFF

Johnson, Norwich and Yorkshire Specialist, winner at all leading shows; better blood unobtainable, grand specimens to spare, both varieties, at reasonable prices; inspection invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 55, George-st., Leeds. (49)

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offers splendid collection Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; correctly matched pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; value and satisfaction guaranteed; full list and approval; terms free.

J. C. BARNES

Norwich specialist, 25 years' study, winner of many cups, etc., including Sheffield Challenge Cup (three years in succession); can spare few grand specimens, true type, A1 quality and colour, plenty of substance and correct carriage; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; several extra good pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

SIX hens, bit small, warranted healthy, good feeders; room wanted; 9/- lot; cash or deposit: Dimes, The Mount, Hanworth, Middlesex. (140)

TWO healthy 1914 variegated hens, 1/9 each: Green, 96, Alma-rd., Winton, Bournemouth. (140)

F. DIPPLE

has several year off and unflighted cocks and hens left in yellows and buffs, also buff cap-marked cock, winner 15 firsts; nearest offer to £5 gets him. See recent wins Cardiff, Birmingham, Halifax, etc. Also 15 double breeding cages for sale; must clear, giving up the Fancy owing to pressure of business. Write at once to: 176, Well-st., Hockley, Birmingham. (145)

SELLING OFF

All my noted Norwich but three pairs, owing to removal, buff cock and hens, good size, grand heads, 10/- upwards; no single yellow hens; yellow cocks, beauties, 15/- upwards; approval; stamp: Rev. Nunic, Harrington, Cumberland. (119)

WICKS BROS., NORWICH

offer 100 pairs real tip-top correctly matched pairs Norwich Pleatheads, correct size and type, for coming season, at 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- upwards per pair; state wants; approval; catalogue free. (142)

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can still spare a few grand Norwich from his well-known winning strain, the finest and purest blood obtainable; prices reasonable; inspection invited; approval willingly.

3a, PERCIVAL-ST., HIGHTOWN, MANCHESTER (146)

CHAMPION NORWICH PLAINHEADS

I have the finest stock of Norwich for sale in Bradford, bred direct from some of the best strains in Lancashire, the hot-bed of this variety; real Bullfinch type, an dfor size and quality cannot be beaten; grand colour fed cocks in full song at 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; some lovely hens to match above cocks at 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each; properly matched pairs to breed winners, at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- per pair; cold room kept; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (144)

VARDY'S NOTED STRAIN

Few very nice pairs mated up, extra cheap to clear for breeding at 20/- per pair; also some nice cobby buff and buff marked hens at 7/6 and 5/- each; nothing better bred in the Fancy; also some strong feeding hens at 2/6 each; approval: W. Vardy, The Aviaries, Huthwaite, Notts. (140)

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ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's). 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

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PURE Rollers, only few left, at 10/6 and 12/6; hens, 3/-: J. Bennett, 28, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (140)

ROLLER cocks, in song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9, hens 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B.

TWO cock Rollers (Kremner's strain), one 1914, full song, two 30/-: Stott, 7, Bath-st., Ashby-de-le-Zonch. (130)

WALTON'S champion glucke water glucke strain cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/-, 7/6; Walton, 6, Cross Green-cres., Leeds. (122)

PURE water Glucke Roller hens, Randall's strain, 4/6 each; and two cocks, £1 each: Hodnett, Coachman, Kingswinford. (139)

PURE Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, 1 cock, 3 hens, 14/-, good strain: J. Kynaston, 23, Rippingham-rd., Withington, Manchester. (105)

FEW young Hartz Mountain Roller cocks, good songsters, 4/-, two 7/6; hens, 2/3, two 4/-: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (143)

HIGH-CLASS B.R.C.C. Rollers, must sell, owner Mr. Press, on active service; enquire: Earnshaw, 51, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (77)

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ROLLERS, high-class, Tonid strain; cocks 5/6; no fancy prices; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Osset. (147)

HIGH-CLASS cock Canaries, all on full song, 7/6 each, 33/- for six; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (69)

ROLLERS, Rochl's strain hens, 4/6, two cocks 12/6 each; approval, deposit: L. Wade, 65, Brading-rd., Brixton Hill (letters only). (116)

FEW deep Glucke Rollers, related to winners; cocks 10/6, hens 2/6; approval: Parker, 12, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (95)

ROLLERS, Rochl's strain; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 each; hens, 3/6, 4/6 each; approval, deposit: N. Clouting, 27, Somers-rd., Brixton Hill, S.W. (145)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, full song: prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (139)

EXCHANGE or sell cheap; 1 cock, 8 hens, Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, 1911, Glucke and Water Glucke: Alen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (147)

DEEP Glucke and water Glucke Rollers, 12/6, 15/- each: 1914 rung; approval, deposit: Smith, 19, Lichfield-rd., New Invention, Wolverhampton. (137)

HIGH class Roller hens, cold room bred, 3s. each, two for 5/6; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Britton, 4, Wellington-t., Radcliffe, Manchester. (97)

WANTED, on approval, class Roller for tutor, give hardwood joiner's gun-metal, steel faced hand plane, value 20/-: 42, Station-rd., Hitchin, Herts. (138)

ROLLERS, British bred, Randall's cold-room, perfect health, full song; cocks, 7/6; matched pairs, 10/-: Close, 23, Chesterfield-rd., Blackpool. (141)

HIGH CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

RHODES' high-class Rollers; latest wins, 3rd, 4th, the Birmingham, two 2nds, 4th, he and five specials International show, London; 40, James-st., Bilston.

THREE high-class, pure Seifert strain, perfectly trained, cocks in full rolling song, 10/- each, worth double: Miss Jones, Harlech House, Aberystwyth. (147)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/-; 7 days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (136)

ROLLERS, hens, 18/- dozen, two for 3/6; also I have very fine lot of cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; full week's approval: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (53)

HAVE only five Seifert Roller cocks, two hens left; cocks, 6/6; hens, 2/6; Randall's and Roehl's strains, cold-room: Beese, 17, Pitfield-st., Kates Hill, Dudley. (139)

RANDALL'S deep Glucke Rollers; cocks, 7/6 upwards; hens, 3/- each, 3 for 8/-; cold-room bred; approval; cash or deposit: W. Lay, 89, Byron-st., Northampton. (145)

WINNER 1st and gold medal Crystal Palace, 1914, 1st and silver cup International contest 1915; cocks, 30/-; Koller hens, 6/6; exchange offers: King, 89, York-st., Cambridge. (142)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, perfectly trained; cocks in full rolling song, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; hens 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; approval: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (147)

ROLLERS, B4 rung, cocks 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; approval; bred from my cup winner International and Bacup, 1914: Broadbent, 80, Alverthorpe-rd., Wakefield. (94)

FINEST rape-seed for Roller Canaries, sweet and clean, 7lbs. 2/-, 14lb. 4/-; sample stamp; Roller cock, full song, 10/-: A. J. Underwood, Seed Merchant, Wellington-st., Kettering. (137)

LEIPZIG Rollers, in full rolling song, with many changes; cocks 7/6, hens 2/-; seven days' approval, my risk; cash or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Colclough, Cric House, Stone-rd., Longton, Staffs. (141)

WANTED, Queck's organ or high-class Rollers in exchange for Edison phonograph and 44 records, good condition; cost £4 5/-; approval; yours first: Nicholas, 3, Margaret-st., Pentre, Rhondda. (135)

HIGH-CLASS 1914 Glucke cocks, in full song, cold room, Randall and Chilcotts, organ, Schoolmaster trained; prices 10/-, 12/6 and 15/- each; hens, 3/6; approval, deposit: Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell.

FOR sale, a few good hollow Glucke and water Glucke birds, fit for contests, 15/- and 20/- each; hens same strain, 4/-, 5/- each; four days' approval, cash or deposit: Morris, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham.

HIGH-CLASS Siefert Rollers; cocks, in full rolling song day and gaslight, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Bradford. (147)

ROLLERS, grand lot, in full song, cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; come and hear them; full week's approval; hens, 2/6, 3/6; Roller shutter cages, 2/9, 5/-; training cages, 2/6: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (126)

GLUCKE and water Glucke Rollers, bred from winners of over 40 prizes, B.R.C.C. rung 1914; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 1914, 5/6 each; seven days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Hubert-rd., Great Harwood. (141)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred: cocks 10/6, 12/6 and 15/6; hens, same strain, from 4/- upwards; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-terr., Bradford-rd., Batley, Yorkshire. (136)

HIGH class Glucke Rollers, cold room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 to clear; hens all sold; approval, cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (95)

ENGLISH 1914 cold-bred Rollers, F. Sels and Sons, Antwerp, strain, lusty songsters, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; robust hens, 3/6: Crested, full song, 12/6, 15/-, hens 5/6, 7/6; offers: H. E. Smith, 62, Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, London, S.E. (136)

PURE Randall glucke Rollers, a few good birds for breeding, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each; no flat glucke; exchange poultry, oats, wheat, barley, pig feed, or anything useful: Harrison, Fruiterer, Churchrd., Bradmore, Wolverhampton. (124)

HAVING selected my breeding stock, I can now supply a few good high-class water Glucke hens, B.R.C.C. rung, 1914, all bred from winners, 4/- each, 7/6 couple; honestly worth double; approval: Wignall, 203, Ribbleton-lane, Preston. (139)

J. B. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner seven cups, 25 silver and bronze medals, has for sale few of his champion strain Roller Canaries, cocks 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-; hens 7/6, 10/- each; also few Koller birds; prices moderate; approval.

PURE Randall's, the strain that won for Mr. Ives 1,100 song points, 13 medals, 7 cups last season; stock cocks, 12/6, 15/-; 4th prize winners International show, 24 points, £1; hens 7/6 each; B.R.C.C. rung: Wilson, 421, Wellsby-st., Grimsby. (135)

PURE Randall's water glucke strain, last few this season. 1914 Club rung; cocks 15/- upwards; winners cheap; cash or "C.B." deposit; satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded: Hoyle, 19, Chapel-st., Chorley (late of Grimsargh, member of B.R.C.C.). (133)

YOUR last chance; can spare a few selected hens of my noted Glucke and Water Glucke strain, 4/- each, 7/6 couple, not half value; all bred from my own winners and B.R.C.C. rung, 1914; none better; cocks sold; approval, deposit: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (119)

MR. LESTER has a number of young cocks and hens of pure Randall blood to dispose of, also several 1913 imported cocks, at most reasonable prices, cocks from 15/- to 50/-, hens 5/- and 7/6; approval willingly, limited number only, free packing: 753, Lea Bridge-rd., Walthamstow, Essex. (120)

GLUCKE and water Glucke Rollers, same strain as my 1st, 4th, special for hens and Glucke International Show, London; also winner of several cups, teapot, medals, etc.; two cocks, 15/- each; six hens, daughters and sisters to above, 5/- each; exchange anything useful: Bird, Brock-st., Bilston. (140)

GRAND deep glucke and water glucke cock, excelling in bass roll, pure Randall's, 2nd prize winner, 28 points, recently cost 35/-; also two splendid hens, specially selected to mate to above, and cost 10/6 each; one pure Willows, one pure Nuremberger, from their very best: as I am joining the Army, will accept 30/- the lot; or separate, cock 25/-, hens 5/6 each; all 1914 birds and B.R.C.C. rung: Searle, 31, Chamberlain-rd., Edmonton, N. (136)

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Highly-trained Rollers of best strains known; cocks, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 2/6, 3/6 and 5/-, in finest breeding condition. Also Roller cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-; pairs, matched for breeding, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-. These are offered as good value, but without any "gush." Cages, 3d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

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STOREY'S ROLLERS

I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and price are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Storey's genuine trained St. Andreasburg or Hartz Rollers, cocks with full change of song by day or artificial light, price according to quality of song, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, a few extra good songsters 12/6 each. I have none of the common half-bred rubbish, but have a few classic hens, 1/9, 2/6, 3/- each. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages, 3d. each, 2/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: E. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

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SCOTCH Fancy Canaries; cocks from 10/6: James, Strachan, 30, Maule-st., Arbroath. (143)

BUFF pied hen, good bird, well bred, young, 20/-; approval: R. Duncan, North-st., Frenchie. (124)

BUFF hen, 20/-; yellow green cock, 15/-: Duncan McGregor, 24, Boyd-st., Lauriston, Falkirk. (144)

TWO yellow cocks, bred from winners; approval; seen any time: J. Fleming, 165, Moorpark, Renfrew. (143)

SCOTS Fancy, noted stock, all cocks, show and breeding cages: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1997)

BUFF cock, yellow pied cock, cheap; approval, seen any time: Hamilton, 44, Keppoch-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (112)

SCOTCH Faucies, a few good birds, reasonable; approval; no yellow hens: Phillips, 18, Westendpark-st., Glasgow, Bark. (143)

SCOTCH Fancy clean yellow hen, 35/-; buff pied cock, 30/-; noted breeder: Keill, Bronghty Ferry, David Ross, Long Lane. (137)

HEAVY built yellow cock, 1914, and buff cock, 1913, 20/- each; bargains; approval: E. Ralston, 22, Riverbank-st., Newmilns. (125)

DECLINING, 6 pairs Scotch Fancies, show cages, travelling cases, bargain taking lot; must clear: Forsyth, Gray-st., Workington. (131)

FOR sale, four splendid Scotch Fancies, three cocks, one hen, winners; all young birds; best blood obtainable; will be sold cheap: William Dunlop, sen., Townhead-st., Ballymoney, Co. Antrim, Ireland. (143)

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HAVING won 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in cocks, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in hens at Wick Show in January, I have a few good birds for disposal, cheap; wanted a good yellow or green young cock: Smith, 26, Dempster-st., Wick. (132)

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Yorkshires.

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TO clear, cheap, few cocks 7/6, hens 3/-: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (141)

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JUST a few Yorkshires left, hens from 3/6, cocks from 7/6: Lowe, 10, Station-rd., Kensal Rise. (147)

YORKSHIRE cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, 10/6 pair: 1914, yellow, buff: Miss F. Bird, Farcet, Peterborough. (89)

A FEW good Yorkshire Canaries for sale, cocks and hens, cheap: O'Hagan, 50, Monkton-rd., Jarrow. (133)

FOUR cocks, 6/6; four hens, 3/-; or 30/- the lot; cold-room bred and kept: Joseph Poud, Colubrook, Bucks. (136)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, nine cocks and 16 hens, £3 10s. the lot: A. Simpson, 9, Mason-st., Hebden Bridge. (130)

GIVEN up, few good Yorkshire pairs, and few odd hens, cheap; no dealers: Gaygan, 17, Pine-st., Salford. (131)

FEW first-class Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, cold-room bred; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting. (69)

FOUR pairs champion stock Yorkshires, extra good quality, accept, 12/- pair: Dawson, 689, Duke-st., Glasgow. (146)

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DEALERS supplied with good large colour-fed Yorks.: Write Rooley Aviaries, 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford.

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GOOD pair Yorkshires, cock winner, with show cage and case, 20/-, worth double: Soper, 22, Vernon-rd., Sutton. (142)

CLEARING out, mostly hens; cannot breed this season: W. F. Lawrance, 23, Rosslyn-rd., Wood-st., Walthamstow. (134)

SPLENDID yellow Yorkshire cock Canaries, 1914, 7/6 to 10/6; cash or deposit: Marston, Rectory, Freshford, Bath. (136)

TICKED Yorkshire cock, 7/-; one marked cock, 7/-; clear buff cock, 8/6; cash offers: H. Dawson, 56, Walcott-st., Hull. (144)

TYPICAL Yorkshire hens, from winning strain, grand racy birds, 3/- each; approval: F. Perry, 17, Warren-rd., Rhyl. (129)

ONE yellow, one buff; cocks, 5/- each; two others 3/- each; two hens, 2/6 each: H. Gamble, Brompton, Northallerton. (134)

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SMART, unflighted matched pair, winners last week, 21/6; odd hens from 4/6: Lloyd, 84, Chickell-rd., Cricklewood, London. (132)

STYLISH cocks, 16/6, hens 5/- upwards, from leading English strain of great winners: Johnston, 52, Leonard-st., Perth. (139)

YORKSHIRES, cock and three hens, 1914, 20/-; or offers; no cards; deposit: Piddock, 82, Fontinest., Folkestone, Kent. (134)

YORKSHIRE hens, yellows, buffs, 5/- each; 1913, 1914, cold-room bred; healthy birds: J. Freeman, 24, Horne-st., Halifax. (137)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6; stamp reply: Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (108)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from winners, cocks from 12/6, hens from 5/-, room wanted: Owen, Bryn-terrace, Llanelly, Carm. (118)

T. C. CRAWHALL, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne, offers a few of his well-known strain, singles or pairs. (47)

THREE Yorkshire hen Canaries, 3/- each; cock, 6/6; buff cock Belgian, 15/-; approval, deposit: Comben, 94, Fortnneswell, Portland. (145)

FEW pairs Yorkshires, also 2 buff cocks, good feather, length, type: Scudder, 45, Ashland House, Paddington-st., Marylebone. (141)

YORKSHIRES.—One yellow hen, 1913, good breeder, 4/6; one buff hen, 1914, 3/6: Chauffeur, Kitlands, Holmwood, Surrey. (132)

BREEDER'S prize stock of Yorkshires: smart hens from 3/-, typical cocks from 7/6: Goodwin, 136, Warham-st., Kennington, S.E. (89)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, all my well-known stock for sale, cock 7/6, 10/-, 15/-; hens, 7/6, 10/-: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (146)

I HAVE still some good birds from 10/- pair; two show cases, 3 and 2 cages, 7/6 and 5/- each: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (139)

EXTRA good yellow Yorkshire stock cock, 15/-; 2 good yellow hens, 7/6 each; approval: G. R. Barker, 1, Dale-terrace, Snigdale, Boosbeck. (144)

GRAND pair of Yorkshires, unflighted buff cock, yellow hen, 12/6; also 6 hens, 15/-; approval; deposit: H. Lucking, Dunmow, Essex. (141)

HIGH class Yorkshires for sale: cocks from 7/-, hens 4/-; properly matched pairs 12/6; approval: Merritt, 45, Pearl-st., Roath, Cardiff. (116)

SPLENDID pair Yorkshires, well matched, 10/-, honestly worth double; exchange entertained: D Coombes, Stockton-st., West Hartlepool. (143)

GIVING up breeding; typical yellow cock, smart buff hen, 14/-; smart buff cock, grand yellow hen, 13/-: Eddy, Bellevue Terrace, Penzance. (139)

CHAMPION Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, hens from 7/6; own breeding; inspection invited: Harris, 9, Whitecross, Riverside, Richmond, Surrey. (89)

CLEARANCE sale, prize-bred Yorkshires, cocks from 8/6, hens from 4/6; cock brown Linnet Mule, 10/6: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (143)

CAN spare three unflighted yellow cocks, 10/- each; unflighted buff hen, 10/-; all related to my winners: Buckingham, Butcher, Watford. (134)

BARGAINS, unflighted Yorkshires, clears, bred from winners, hens 4s., cocks 8/-: Herbert, The Hollies, Poplar-rd., Ashford, Middlesex. (141)

YORKSHIRES for sale; lengtsy yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6, hens 5/- each, 1914: Cobley, 69, High-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (112)

GRAND yellow Yorkshire cock, won three firsts, 30/-, worth £3; fine typical buff, won several prizes, 25/-; approval: C. E. Silk, Emsworth, Hants.

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I am now offering a very choice collection of grand healthy hens, every one guaranteed strong and vigorous, and in perfect feather and condition, at following prices:—

YORKSHIRE HENS, 3/- 3/6, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

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PURE ROLLER HENS (guaranteed bred from good strain of British Rollers), **3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each.**

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YELLOW Yorkshire Canary hens, good mothers, hatched 1913, 2/6 each; also two green ditto, 3/- and 2/6: Mosrop, The Shrubbery, Ketton, Rutland. (133)

BARGAINS; nice hens, 2/- and 2/6; ready for breeding; cocks, 4/6 each; guaranteed in full song; mainly Yorkshires: Gowland, St. John's Chapel, Co. Durham. (130)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires: cocks, guaranteed full song, 5s.; hens, 3s.; satisfaction guaranteed; cash or deposit: 7 days' approval: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (147)

P. Johnston, 123, Ferme Park Road, Stroud Green, offers several extra well-bred birds, very cheap, to reduce stock; state wants, and I will endeavour to satisfy. (139)

THREE smart pairs stylish Yorkshires, 21/- pair; few hens, mostly yellows, cinnamon marked, from winners, 5/- each: Eastwood, 389, Manchester-rd., Hollinwood. (121)

GRAND upstanding birds, two yellow unflighted cocks, 20/- each; four buff unflighted cocks, 15/- each, all seven inches long: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (139)

TWO buff cocks, 15/-; yellow cock, 10/-; two extra good pairs, 25/- pair; all unflighted, good type and quality: approval: Fewster, Smithybrook, Middlestown, Wakefield. (135)

CRISP'S strain; two long buff and yellow unflighted hens, 7/6 each; buff cock, 12/6; offers wanted for the three: Hannaford, 65, St. Quintin-avenue, North Kensington. (137)

TYPICAL long clear buff Yorkshire cock, unflighted, 8/6, worth double for stock; own breeding; bargain; week's approval; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Sheffield. (146)

HEALTHY Yorkshires, cold-room bred; cocks, bulls, variegated and greens, full song, 7/-; hens, greens, yellow, variegated, 3/6, 4/-: Adey, 56, St. Mary-st., Weymouth. (137)

TYPICAL buff Yorkshire cocks, variegated, 7/-; clears, 7/6; buff hens, variegated, 2/6; clears, 3/-; clean, healthy; approval; inspection invited: Power, 73, Oakfield-rd., Walthamstow. (138)

FINE Yorkshire Canaries, my winning strain, guaranteed full song; cocks, 5/-, racy hens 3/-; no swank; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance Hotel, Ossett, Yorkshire. (105)

CLEARING out; 8 pairs good upstanding, lengthy birds, from high-class stock, cages and utensils; inspection invited; genuine bargain, from 10/- pair: H. H., 293, Brockley-rd., S.E. (140)

HIGH class typical Yorkshires, 1914, cold room, cocks 6/6, 7/6, hens 3/6, 4/-; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit system; inspection any time: Gant, 112, Churchfield-rd., Acton, London. (115)

WM. MOFFAT has some splendid Yorkshires to dispose of, cocks from 10/- to 30/-, hens from 7/6, 20/-; pairs reasonable; state wants; cash or deposit; approval: 34, Scarcroft Hill, York. (96)

MR. HORACE N. HARVEY has still a few exceptionally well bred birds to dispose of, and the present time affords a rare opportunity for securing reliable stock birds: Churchgate, Spalding. (133)

LENGTHY variegated yellow cock, with typical clear buff hen, 10/-; lengthy marked buff cock, with clear yellow hen, 10/-; approval, deposit: Qualtrough, Leigh Terrace, Douglas, I.O.M. (139)

MAGNIFICENT pair long unflighted Yorkshires; deep yellow cock, full song, buff hen (clears), took 2nd prize last December, card sent, 16/6, honestly worth double: Ellis, 1, Mill-rd., Kettering. (137)

YORKSHIRES, a well matched pair, unflighted yellow cock and buff hen, 20/-; this pair is well worth attention if you want something really good; approval: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (138)

YORKSHIRES, yellow and buff cocks, clear and variegated, 6/6 and 7/6; yellow hens, clear and variegated, 4/6 and 5/6; related to my cup winners: Jeffrey Pass, Quick Close, Melbourne, Derby. (135)

YORKSHIRES. Grand long upstanding birds, feathered to perfection: cocks, 7/-; hens, 4/6; or offers for twenty pairs: guaranteed healthy: J. Shard, 2, Saxville-st., Ravensthorpe, Yorkshire. (130)

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GOOD smart stylish Yorkshires, splendid feather, related to my winners; cocks 8/6, hens 4/6 and 6/-; also first cross Belgians 8/6; matched pairs 12/6, approval: George York, South-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (113)

YORKSHIRES: cocks, full song, 7/6 to 15/- (some 7 inches), fine feather; hens 5/-; pairs, to breed winners, 12/6 to £1; all prize bred; on approval with pleasure; deposit: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (117)

HIGH class Yorkshires, grand typical healthy birds, in fine condition, from my winners, cold room, yellow and buff cocks 8/6, buff hens 5/-; approval willingly: Radford, 128, Saudy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (111)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, bred from winners; yellow and buff cocks from 10/- each; a few very stylish buff hens, from 7/6 each; all in the pink of condition; some winners cheap: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (66)

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YORKSHIRES. G. A. Parker has some of the best winners of five cups 1914; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6, to 20/-; hens, 5/- to 15/-; pairs, 12/6 to 25/-; cash or deposit: 17, Litchfield-av., Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (134)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6 upwards; hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (139)

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MY last pair Yorkshires this season, unflighted, both 7in. birds, clears with cinnamon blood, 18/-; cock in full song; hen nesting; exchange pair Plain-headed equal quality; letters please: Crisp, Hook Cottage, Billingshurst, Sussex. (130)

ALL my last season's stock of young Yorkshire Canaries for sale, mostly yellow, colour fed, as clean as print; 16 cocks, 12 hens, bred from winners in novice class; £5 the lot to clear: S. Greenwood, Bootmaker, Silsden, near Keighley.

WINNING unflighted buff-marked Yorkshire hen, rare length, perfect model, faultless condition, also deep fed yellow hen, won several honours also, perfect specimen, and hard to find fault with, 12/- each; approval: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (147)

TWO grand hot coloured yellow Yorks, hens; grand position, and feathered like pot, 7 inches long, price 10/- each; have won in good company, and guaranteed breeders; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (144)

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Twitterings.

At the last meeting of the Provincial Roller C.C., it was decided that, for the future the P.R.C.C. will have its own rings, writes Mr. W. Johnson, asst. sec.

Mr. C. J. Olding, 52, New Road, Buckland, Hants, writes that he has taken over the secretaryship of Portsmouth and S. Counties O.S. in place of Mr. G. T. Hall.

I beg to thank "Anonymous" most sincerely, writes Mr. John B. Waterman, for the kindly remarks anent my small contributions to Cage Birds, and to assure the writer that the kind things said are very much appreciated.

I have been a constant reader of Cage Birds for the past six years, writes Mr. W. M. Carrol (Kilmallock). From the perusal of its pages I have picked up a good deal of birdy knowledge, and am regarded locally as "an authority." I hope Cage Birds may long be spared to the Fancy.

OBITUARY.

MR. E. NOAKES (Leicester).

Many fanciers throughout the country will deeply regret to learn of the death of Mr. Ernest Noakes (of Messrs. Walton and Noakes), after a very short illness. Mr. Noakes, writes Mr. A. Freestone, the sec. of Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S., was a very keen judge of Norwich Canaries, and was one of the most popular fanciers in the Midlands. Only a fortnight ago he was judge for the Leicester Combined Societies' Charity Show. Unfortunately he leaves a widow and five little children. A special meeting has been called for Tuesday next, when the members will be asked to support a subscription list in aid of them. Should any of the fanciers with whom he was acquainted care to contribute will they kindly communicate with me at 79, Clarendon St., Leicester.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. Edward Fox, of Long Eaton, that I hear of the somewhat sudden death of Mr. E. Noakes. He was one of the kindest-hearted of men, and one of the best judges of the Norwich I ever met. His loss will be keenly felt by the fanciers of Leicester, with whom he was so popular.

MR. R. S. BEWICK, Junr. (Newcastle).

We regret sincerely to hear of the affliction which has fallen upon Mr. and Mrs. Bewick, of Newfield, Newcastle, in the loss of their son, R. S. Bewick, who was killed in a pit accident on Saturday, Feb. 27. The deceased, who was only twenty-seven years of age, leaves a wife and child to mourn his loss, and to these, as well as to his bereaved parents, we extend our sympathy, in which we know we shall be joined by the numerous bird lovers to whom Mr. Bewick, senr., is so well known.

We have removed from 185 to 689, Duke Street, Glasgow, to larger rooms, write Messrs. Dawson.

Messrs. H. W. Battye, Geo. Large, and J. D. Leigh have been appointed to judge at Warrington show on Oct. 15.

The Rule Book of the Hornsey, Wood Green, and Dist. C.B.S. contains, besides the rules of the society, an interesting list of fixtures, lectures, etc., for 1915 and the names and addresses of members. The balance sheet shows a satisfactory increase of £1 16s. 11d. on the year, the cash in hand now standing at £4 5s. 5d. Assets—trestles, staging, and cups, are valued at £8 8s. 6d. The hon. sec. is Mr. P. Brooks, 3, Trinity Road, Wood Green, and the sub. is 2s. 6d. yearly.

With reference to the clear buff Norwich, the winner at Llanelly, on the front page of Cage Birds this week, his owner, Dr. Wood (Northampton) writes: "On account of the war I have not shown much this year, and he had only been out once before, at Northampton Christmas show, when he was 1st. I tried him rather highly at the third venture by sending him to the Welsh National show at Cardiff, where he was placed 5th, but I hesitated about despatching him, as he seemed just a little off on the day of sending."

Some Shows of Next Season.

The following show dates have been fixed. Will secs. please note, in order to avoid clashing: Barnsley C.B.S., Nov. 13; Watford C.B.S., Dec. 8, 9; Newcastle-on-Tyne East End C.B.S., Nov. 26, 27; Buckhaven C.B.S., Oct. 30; London and P.O.S. autumn show, Oct. 26, 27, 28; Annfield Plain C.B.S., Dec. 18; Gateshead C.B.S., Dec. 10, 11.

Newport's Aviary Robbed.

Seven Canaries and two Parrots have been stolen from the aviary at Belle Vue Park, Newport, the thief gaining access by cutting the wire. The theft is particularly mean, as the aviary is quite a new institution, and partly supported by contributions from various townspeople, who receive birds from friends and relatives abroad.

The L. and P.O.S. Secretaryship.

Mr. H. L. Huggins, 130, Myddleton Rd., Bowes Park, N., late assist. sec. to the London and P.O.S., writes that in consequence of Mr. C. Law having resigned secretaryship owing to pressure of Government work, he has himself taken over the duties of office, with Mr. G. A. Harris as assistant hon. sec.

An Explanation.

This morning a lady from Brixton called to see bird, as advertised last week, writes Mr. W. Holme, Streatham Hill, and was shown a buff hen in my absence, instead of the yellow cock I advertised. Kindly allow me to explain this, or, besides losing the sale of the bird, it will give me a bad reputation if she is left with the impression that the bird she saw was what I advertised.

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A Soldier Fancier's Brief Visit.

The members of the Southern Border Fancy Club had the pleasure at their last meeting of welcoming their hon. sec., Mr. F. W. Burton, whose brother, Mr. Geo. Burton, is acting as hon. sec. of this and other societies during his services with our Army. Mr. F. Burton had an enthusiastic reception, and returned to his duties after his short leave with the best wishes of all for a speedy and final homecoming.

A Good Family Record.

My marked buff Norwich (unflighted) cock (see front page this week) has only been exhibited three times, writes Dr. Weekes (Southampton). He took 1st and sp. at Southampton, 4th L.C.B.A. novice section, and commended Bournemouth. He was beaten by his brother at Bournemouth, who won the novice cup there, also 1st and special prizes. His sister has taken second in the hen classes the only times she was shown, viz. Bournemouth and Southampton. Not a bad record for their parent in one season, is it?

War Victims.

Kindly allow me space to answer Mr. Hunt's letter in your issue of Feb. 16, writes Mr. J. W. Metcalfe in the "Liverpool Echo." If left unchallenged, it would make the average owners of Canaries think they are being imposed upon by having to pay extra for "Mr. Dick's" food. Plain canary seed being the staple diet of most of our small feathered pets, it answers the same purpose as bread to the human being, but we require a few luxuries to help it along. Our pets must have luxuries as well if we require them to cheer us up with their sweet song. Canary seed is slightly cheaper now than before the war commenced. In July it was 35s. per cwt.; now it is 34s. per cwt. for the best polished seed. But it is the "luxurious" seeds that are component parts of a real good mixture that have gone up in price, in some cases as much as 100 per cent.; and in some instances they are unobtainable. It is only the mixtures that have gone up in price, and the seedsmen are justified in asking for higher prices if the same quality is to be kept up. The greatest sufferer of our pets to-day is that chatterbox, the Parrot, who lives mostly on sunflower seeds, which have risen from 18s. to 90s. per cwt., pumpkin seeds 20s. to 60s., cayenne pods 56s. to 112s. No wonder Polly is turning her nose up at the food offered her now. The public is bound to grumble when prices go up. Even the seedsman grumbles when the wholesaler puts the price up, but the man that will give up his tobacco to feed his pets is the man we want and would welcome into the Liverpool Bird Breeders' Association.

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The Shows.

MATLOCK F.S.

Annual show, Jan. 9, Central Auction Mart, kindly lent for the occasion by Mr. W. H. Marriott. Mr. C. W. Lill, Matlock, judged. The cage bird cup was won outright by W. J. Dean, he having now won it three times: he was also runner-up for Nov. cup, and winner of Ramsden's bronze medal best fed bird.

NOR. CK.: 1, cup, Dean; 2, Buxton; 3, Wragg. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Buxton; 4, Wragg. COCK. UNFLIG.: 1, res for cup, 2, 3, medal, 4, Dean; vhc, Wragg; hc, c, Buxton. HEN. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Dean; 4, Wragg.

DARVEL C.B.S.

Table show, held 9th Feb., judge, J. Johnstone, Kilmarnock. LIGHT MULE or HYB.: 1, 2, 3, T. Anderson. DARK MULE: 1, T. Anderson. BRAMBLE or CHAFFINCH: 1, 3, G. Alston; 2, D. Thomson. MEALY 'POLL or TWITE: 1, T. Anderson; 2, D. Thomson. A.O. BRIT. CK.: 1, T. Anderson; 2, J. Fairful; 3, J. Morton. HEN: 1, T. Anderson; 2, J. Rexburgh; 3, G. Alston. FOR. GOLDF. or BULLF.: 1, T. Anderson; 2, 3, D. Thomson. FOR.: 1, 3, T. Anderson; 2, G. Alston. Mr. J. Dykes was admitted a member. Next table show, 9th March. See further club notices.—J. Fairful, Sec.

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS C.B.S.

2nd annual, Pied Bull Hotel, Jan. 1. Entries turned up well, and competition was very keen. Points special went to W. R. Knowles. Mr. A. Wellings, Prescot, judged, and appeared to have given satisfaction.

YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, vhc, Knowles; 2, 3, Waddington; hc, Bray; c, Newport. BUFF: 1, vhc, Knowles; 2, Newport; 3, Bray; hc, Godbert. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Knowles; 3, vhc, Waddington; hc, Bray; c, Godbert. BUFF: 1, c, Knowles; 2, 3, Waddington; vhc, Godbert; hc, Newport. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Newport; 2, Waddington; 3, Godbert; vhc, Payne; hc, Knowles; c, Payne. BUFF: 1, 3, Waddington; 2, Newport; vhc, Knowles. HEAVILY VARIEG. YELL.: 1, 2, Knowles; 3, Waddington; vhc, Bray; hc, Barker. BUFF: 1, Knowles; 2, Bray; 3, Barker. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Lowe and Howard. NOR. HEN: 1, 2, Lowe and Howard. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Lowe and Howard.

SCOTLAND GATE (Social Club).

First annual show, club premises, Dec. 19, with a good turn-out of entries. Mr. R. Rowell, Belside, judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Dixon; 2, 3, Griffith; vhc, hc, Seely. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, sp, Seely; vhc, Dixon; hc, c, Griffith. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Griffith; 3, vhc, Seely. BUFF: 1, vhc, Seely; 2, c, Griffith; 3, Dixon; hc, Thompson. CINN. CK.: 1, 3, Thompson; 2, vhc, Dixon. HEN: 1, Griffith; 2, 3, Dixon. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Seely; 3, Guthridge; vhc, Rigg; hc Paxton.—BUFF: 1, 2, Seely; 3, Paxton; vhc, Guthridge. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Paxton; 2, hc, Seely; vhc, Guthridge. BUFF: 1, Guthridge; 2, 3, Seely. CREST OR C.B.: 1, sp, 2, 3, vhc, Dixon. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, 3, Thompson; 2, vhc, Seely; hc, Griffith. PAIRS: 1, 3, Seely; 2, Griffith; vhc, Turner. LINNET: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Paxton. A.O.B.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Paxton. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, Turner. HON. MEMB.: 1, sp, Ward; 2, Crackett; 3, c, Richardson; vhc, hc, Humble. Thos. Rigg, Sec.

WINCHBURGH C.B.C.

Annual show, Dec. 19, Public School, with a record entry of 267. Mr. R. Menzies, Edinburgh, judged Scotch Fancies and Borders, and Mr. J. Strachan, Bathgate, Nor. and Brit.

SCOTCH FANCY, 1914, YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Duncan; 2, Bishop. HEN: 1, 2, 3, sp, Duncan. BUFF CK.: 1, Duncan. HEN: 1, Duncan; 2, Russell. OLD CK.: 1, sp, Duncan; 2, 3, sp, Aitken. HEN: 1, Aitken; 2, Duncan; 3, Russell. 1914 CREST YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, sp, Bishop. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Bishop. C.B. 1914 CK.: 1, 2, Sharp; 3, Bishop. HEN: 1, Sharp; 2, Bishop. OLD CREST CK.: 1, sp, Begbie; 2, Bishop; 3, Sharp. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Bishop. C.B.: 1, 2, Bishop; 3, Sharp. YOUNG P.H.: 1, sp, Begbie; 2, Robb; 3, Sharp. HEN: 1, Oliver; 2, 3, Frame. NON-FED: 1, 2, Turnbull; 3, Begbie. HEN: 1, Bishop; 2, 3, Robb. OLD P.H.: 1, Sharp; 2, Oliver; 3, Robb. NON-FED: 1, Robb; 2, Turnbull; 3, Christie. BORD. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Frame; 2 Murray; 3, Stewart. HEN: 1, Boag; 2, Begbie; 3, Murray. BUFF CK.: 1, Murray; 2, 3, Stewart. HEN: 1, Thomson; 2, Begbie; 3, Boag. YELL. VARIEG: 1, sp, Murray; 2, Williams; 3, Boag. BUFF: 1, Williams; 2, Boag; 3, Murray. EVEN-MKD.: 1, Duncan. GREEN: 1, Murray; 2, Paterson; 3, Boag. CINN.: 1, Aitken; 2, Frame; 3, Christie. OLD BORD. CK.: 1, sp, Bishop; 2, Frame; 3, Williams. HEN: 1, Binnie; 2, Williams; 3, Murray. MULE: 1, Sharp; 2, Aitken; 3, Southern. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Southern; 2, Sharp; 3, Aitken. LINNET: 1, Aitken; 2, Southern; 3, Tulby. GREENF.: 1, sp, T. Aitken; 2, Robb; 3, R. Aitken. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, Southern. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE: 1, Southern; 2, Fenney; 3, Thomson. SOFTBILL: 1, Aitken. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Paterson; 2, Fenney; 3, Aitken. HITTO FOR.: 1, sp, Sharp; 2, Begbie. BUFF: 1, sp, Murray; 2, Turnbull; 3, Paterson.

DUBMIRE (Workmen's Club) C.B.S

Annual show, Dec. 12, under very trying circumstances, a damp cold day causing the birds to sit puffed up nearly all day. There were some nice exhibits in each section, Mr. John Fenton (Chairman) securing special for best young bird, a very nice yellow Nor. Mr. Geo. S. Lynn makes a very obliging secretary, and had everything in "applepie" order, as fitted by a hard working committee. The attendance was very meagre, owing to the bad weather. This enterprising society deserves more support, and we hope to hear of better success next year. Mr. A. J. Notley, Bottom-le-Hole, judged, and gave general satisfaction.

YOUNG NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, sp, vhc, Fenton; 2, M. Dixon; 3, Finlay; hc, Ferries; c, Robinson. BUFF: 1, M. Dixon; 2, Atkinson; 3, Fenton; vhc, Gowland; hc, c, Ferries. HEN: 1, 2, Ferries; 3, Atkinson; vhc, Fenton. GR. OR NEARLY GR.: 1, D. Hann; 2, 3, Lowland; vhc, Fletcher. NAT. COL. YELL. CK.: 1, Lynn; 2, 3, Finlay. CINN.: 1, vhc, Gowland; 2, 3, Lynn. CREST CK.: 1, 2, 3, Bissett; vhc, Lynn. C.B. HEN: 1, 2, Bissett. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Fletcher; 2, Fenton; 3, vhc, M. Dixon. BUFF: 1, 2, M. Dixon; 3, Finlay; vhc, Fenton. HEN: 1, 2, M. Dixon; 3, Fenton. BORD. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Fenton; 3, vhc, Fletcher, hc, Robinson. HEN: 1, Fenton; 2, Lynn; 3, Fletcher. A.O.V.: 1, Lynn; 2, 3, M. Dixon. OLD NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Atkinson; 2, Fenton; 3, R. Dixon. BUFF: 1, Atkinson; 2, M. Dixon; 3, Gowland; vhc, Fenton; hc, Robinson. HEN: 1, Atkinson; 2, R. Dixon; 3, M. Dixon; vhc, Ferries; hc, Gowland; c, Fenton. PAIRS: 1, R. Dixon; 2, Atkinson; 3, Fenton; vhc, hc, Lynn; c, Fletcher. CREST CK.: 1, 2, Bissett; C.B. CK.: 1, Lynn; 2, 3, Bissett; vhc, Robinson. HEN: 1, R. Dixon; 2, 3, Bissett. YORKS., CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Fenton; 2, vhc, M. Dixon; hc, Fletcher; BUFF: 1, Fenton; 2, Robinson; 3, vhc, M. Dixon. HEN: 1, c, M. Dixon; 2, 3, Finlay; vhc, Fenton; hc, Robinson. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Lynn; 2, Fenton; 3, Robinson. A.O.V.: 1, vhc, Gowland; 2, Fletcher; 3, R. Dixon. PAIRS: 1, Bissett; 2, Finlay; 3, D. Hann. LINNET: 1, Hann; 2, Fenton; 3, Atkinson; vhc, Fletcher; hc, M. Dixon; c, Lynn. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, M. Dixon; 3, c, Lynn; vhc, Finlay; hc, Atkinson. MEMB. LINNET: 1, D. Hann; 2, Fenton; 3, Atkinson; vhc, Charlton; hc, Fletcher; c, M. Dixon.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Pairs Show, Feb. 20, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st. 40 pairs were staged and the show was a great success, the hall being filled with visitors, and good gate money resulted. Novices were the stronger section. Mr. J. Robson judged. Mr. Davy was nominated for membership.

CHAMP. NOR. CLASS 1 (3), CLASS 2 (2), all Bell. YORKS., CLASS 3 (3), CLASS 4 (3), all Gilbert. NOV. NOR., CLASS 5 (3): 1, 2, Cullers; 3, Harrison. CLASS 8 (1) Harrison. YORKS., CLASS 9 (5): 1, sp, Stubb; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Durham. CLASS 10 (5): 1, sp, 2, Stubb; 3, Mortlock. A.O.V. (1) Cullers. MULING PAIRS, GOLDF. AND CAN. (5): 1, 3, Bell, sen.; 2, Bell, jun.; vhc, Miss Cullers; hc, Mrs. Harrison. LINNET AND CAN. (2): 1, Harrison; 2, Bell. GREENF. AND CAN. (2): 1, Harrison; 2, Gilbert. SISKIN OR REDPOLL AND CAN. (3): 1, 2, Miss Cullers; 3, Mortlock. HYB. PAIRS (3): 1, Bell. A.O.V. (2): 1, Miss Cullers; 2, Cullers.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS F.A.

Combined annual and young stock shows, Friendly Societies Hall, Jan. 27. Mr. George Whitten judged. Challenge cup was awarded to Mr. F. Wraight for a grand Norwich, the same exhibitor being reserve for cup with one of his well-known Yorks.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Wraight; 2, Dunning. BUFF: 1, cup, Wraight; 2, Dunning. 1914: 1, Dunning; 2, Hurst; 3, Whibley. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, 4, res, Wraight; 2, vhc, hc, Walker. 1914: 1, 2, 3, res, Wraight; 4, vhc, hc, Walker; c, Cross. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, res, Wraight; 4, Cross. 1914: 1, 2, 4, res, Wraight; 3, Walker; vhc, Boyington; hc, Cross. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Simms. MULES OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, Hurst. GOLDF.: 1, Hurst; 2, Goodchild; 3, Cross; 4, Wickens; res, Walker; vhc, Simms; hc, Showler. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Miss Blandford, Brambling; 2, c, Cross, Bullfinch and Mealy Redpoll; 3, vhc, Hurst, Linnet and Lesser Redpoll; 4, Simms, Chaffinch; res, Goodchild; vhc, Dunning. FOR.: 1, 2, Goodchild, Zebra Finches. H. G. Whibley, Sec.

LINTON & WOODHORN (Workmen's Social Club) C.B.S.

The enterprising directors of the club having offered liberal prizes to be competed for, the members of the C.B.C. took advantage of the opportunity, and a show was held on Jan. 16, when a record entry of 104 was received. Mr. R. Thompson, Woodhorn, judged.

YELL. NOR. CK.: 1, 3, Armstrong; 2, hc, Hall; vhc, Murton; hc, Graham; c, Hall. BUFF: 1, 2, Armstrong; 3, Graham; vhc, Hall; hc, Reavely. HEN: 1, vhc, Armstrong; 2, Reavely; 3, vhc, Hall. YORKS. YELL.: 1, vhc, Anderson; 2, 3, Charlton. BUFF: 1, Charlton; 2, hc, Anderson; 3, vhc, Handcock. HEN: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, hc, Charlton. BORD. CK. YELL.: 1, 2, Anderson; 3, vhc, Smith. BORD. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Anderson; 3, Graham; vhc, Murton. HEN: 1, sp, best bird, 3, Anderson; 2, vhc, Smith. CINN.: 1, vhc, Hall; 2, Armstrong; 3, Smith. A.O.V.: 1, Armstrong; 2, 3, vhc, Hall. NOR., PAIRS: 1, 2, Armstrong. LINNET: 1, Charlton; 2, Reavely; 3, vhc, Armstrong. BRIT.: 1, 2, sp, Anderson; 3, hc, Handcock. NOV.: 1, 2, Murton; 3, Graham. HON. MEMB. YELL.: 1, Potts; 2, Jackson; 3, c, Groocock; vhc, McAlium. BUFF: 1, Groocock; 2, Hindmarch; 3, vhc, Skidmore. Mr. J. Anderson is to be congratulated on taking four of the five spd. prizes; he discharged the duties of sec. in a very able manner, with the assistance of a good working committee.

PELTON FELL, ETC. (Amal.).

Annual show, Jan. 2, in the large club room, Pelton Fell, a room with plenty of size, nice light, and comfortable to a degree. Entries came up well, totalling about 180. Quality throughout was grand, especially in the Crest, Border, and Norwich. The society has a grand body of officials, with Mr. J. Stanger, chairman, at the head of affairs, well supported by a good body of workers, composed of Messrs. R. S. Bewick, J. Redpath, R. Ward, S. Lindsay, R. Coates, W. Cresswell, R. Boyd, W. Davidson, T. Elliott, J. Walker, A. Dawson, and G. Bates. The secretarial work is ably carried out by Mr. J. Robinson, who had everything well in hand. Special prize-winners: Best Nor., and best Yorks., Stanger; nov., Nor., Cresswell; Bord., Dawson; Crest, C.B., Coates; Brit. or Mule, Stanger; A.O.V., Boyd. The show was well patronised by visitors, and we understand will prove a financial success. Mr. W. Reid, Sunderland, judged.

NOR. YELL. CK. (3): 1, 2, Stanger; 3, Cresswell. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Stanger; 2, Elliott; vhc, York and Robinson. HEN (6): 1, 3, hc, Stanger; 2, Cresswell; vhc, Cresswell; c, Elliott. YELL. CK. 1914 (4): 1, 3, Stanger; 2, Bates; vhc, Lindsay. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Stanger; 2, Coates; vhc, Elliott; hc, c, Lindsay. HEN (8): 1, Bates; 2, 3, York and Robinson; vhc, Elliott; hc, c, Stanger. NOV. (6): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Cresswell; 2, c, Coates. YORKS, YELL. CK (2): 1, Stanger; 2, Ward. BUFF (2): 1, Ward; 2, Stanger. HEN (3): 1, Stanger; 2, Ward; 3, York and Robinson. YELL. CK., 1914 (1): 1, Stanger. BUFF (3): 1, Stanger; 2, 3, Ward. HEN (4): 1, Stanger; 2, vhc, Ward; 3, York and Robinson. NOV. (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Ward; hc, Walker. CREST CK (3): 1, Coates; 2, 3, Bewick. C.B. (1): 1, 3, vhc, Bewick; 2, Stanger. CREST OR C.B. HEN (2): 1, Bewick; 2, Coates. YELL. CREST or C.B. (2): 1, Redpath; 2, Bewick. CREST, 1914 (4): 1, 2, Coates; 3, Bewick; vhc, Redpath. C.B. (4): 1, 3, Bewick; 2, vhc, Redpath. NOV. (6): 1, 2, vhc, hc, Coates; 3, c, Redpath. BORD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 2, vhc, Bates; 3, Cresswell; hc, York and Robinson; c, Redpath. BUFF (1): 1, Bates; 2, Cresswell; 3, Dawson; vhc, York and Robinson. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Dawson; 2, Bates; 3, Cresswell; vhc, Elliott. BUFF (6): 1, Bates; 2, Dawson; 3, vhc, York and Robinson; hc, Cresswell; c, Elliott. GR. BORD (3): 1, 2, Bates; 3, York and Robinson. CINN (3): 1, 2, Bates; 3, vhc, Dawson; hc, Stanger. NOV. (9): 1, 2, hc, Dawson; 3, vhc, c, Cresswell. A.O.V. CAN (8): 1, Bewick; 2, 3, Stanger; vhc, Cresswell; hc, c, York and Robinson. MULE (3): 1, Stanger; 2, 3, Lindsay. LINNET, B.M. (7): 1, c, Boyd; 2, vhc, Davison; 3, Bates; hc, York and Robinson. F.M. (4): 1, Elliott; 2, Davison; 3, vhc, Boyd. GOLDF. (7): 1, York and Robinson; 2, vhc, Elliott; 3, Boyd; hc, Davison; c, Lindsay. BULLF (2): 1, Davison; 2, Dawson. GREENF. (3): 1, Dawson; 2, Lindsay; 3, Bates. REDPOLL (6): 1, hc, Elliott; 2, York and Robinson; 3, Boyd; vhc, Ward; c, Lindsay. SISKIN, ETC. (2): 1, 2, Bates. BUNTING (2): 1, Boyd; 2, Davison; 3, Lindsay. A.O. HARDBILL (1): 1, Dawson. SOFT (1): 1, Lindsay. HUN. BRIT (1): 1, Davison; 2, Ward; vhc, Lindsay.

CITY & COUNTY OF PERTH O.A.

Annual pairs show, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard St., Jan. 30. There was a good turn-out of birds. Mr. Jas. Dougall, Perth, judged and gave satisfaction to all.

CREST: 1, sp, 3, Blyth; 2, 5, Dott; 4, Bruce. NOR.: 1, sp, 4, Forrest; 2, Carstairs; 3, Crawford; 5, Mrs. Banks; 6, Borrie. SCOTCH: 1, sp, Smith; 2, Blyth. YORKS.: 1, sp, 2, Gunning; 3, 4, 6, Johnston; 5, McLaren. MULE OR HYB.: 1, sp, Mrs. Banks; 2, 3, Robertson; 4, Bruce; 5, Smith.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.S.

28th annual show, G.E. Mechanics' Institute, Stratford, Jan. 7. Judge, Mr. B. S. Forse. Cup for best unflighted Canary, Canary Mule, or Hybrid was won by Mr. G. Parker with a topping yellow Yorks cock, also res with a Yorks hen. Mr. W. Baylis annexed sp. for best British with a grand Goldfinch. YORKS YELL. CK. (4): 1, 2, F. R. Parker; 3, Hawkes. BUFF (5): 1, Hawkes; 2, Bayliss; 3, r, vhc, Parker. HEN (6): 1, 3, hc, Parker; 2, vhc, Hawkes; r, Bayliss. NOR. YELL. CK. (2): 1, Hawkes; 2, Turner. BUFF (1): 1, Hawkes. CINN. (3): 1, 2, 3, Parker. HEN (2): 1, Hawkes; 2, Turner. CREST OR C.B. and two classes BORD., all Reed. A.O.V. (1): Turner. MULE OR HYB. (3): 1, Parker; 2, 3, Bayliss. SISKIN (2): 1, Bayliss; 2, Parker. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (5): 1, 2, Bayliss; 3, Hodson; r, Turner; vhc, Parker. GREENF. (3): 1, Bayliss; 2, Parker; 3, Rev. Soames. A.O.V. BRIT. (3): 1, 2, Bayliss; 3, Parker.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.A.

Annual show of pairs, matched for breeding, Jan. 26, Headquarters. Mr. P. H. Brooks, hon. sec., had got together a nice all-round collection, and quality generally was A1, anguring, with ordinary luck, some capital stock at the Young Bird Show later on. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

NOR. YELL. CK. AND BUFF HEN (9): 1, Titchner, a romping yell. gr. ck., and beautifully feathered and nice headed buff hen rare type both of them; 2, res, Harris, fine shape and feather; 3, Martin, hen just a trifle small; vhc, Titchner; hc, Perrin; c, Bell. BUFF C., YELL. H. (8): 1, 2, Titchner, beautiful lightly varieg. ck. and a good clear hen; 2, heavily varieg. ck., grand head, short body, wings and tail, hen not quite so good in type or feather; 3, res, Harris; vhc, c, Bell; hc, Martin. YORKS., YELL. CK., BUFF HEN (7): 1, 2, 3, Everitt, a nice team, well posted; res, c, Huggins; vhc, hc, Bell. BUFF C., YELL. H. (5): 1, vhc, Huggins, smart, but needs more style; 2, 3, Bell, rare feather, needs a little more taper; res, Everitt. A.O.V.: 1, Martin. HYB.: 1, Bell. FOR.: 1, Huggins.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Pair show, Queen's Hall, Feb. 16, with a record entry of 110 pairs. The attendance exceeded expectations, and made the Sec., Mr. G. Griffiths, feel encouraged as to the future of the Society. Yorks. and Borders were splendidly represented in the Champion Section, and the Norwich and Yorks. in the Novice, particularly the latter, and there was also a good class of pairs for Mule and Hybrid breeding. Mr. J. Robson judged, and the arrangements were all that could be desired. A collection taken for the "Wimbledon Boro' News" East Surrey Regiment "Comforts" Fund realised £1 7s.

CHAMP. NOR.: 1, Mrs. Thynne. YORKS. BUFF CK., YELL. HEN: 1, diploma best champion pair, sp, c, Bailey; 2, 3, Smith; vhc, Harris; hc, Owen and Son. V.Y.C. and B.H.: 1, 2, Harris; 3, Warley; vhc, Bailey; hc, Owen and Son; c, Smith. BORD.: 1, vhc, Hebden; 2, hc, Mrs Thynne; 3, Marriott; c, Pegg. NOV. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, Birch; vhc, Hamilton; hc, c, Snow. YORKS. BUFF CK. YELL. HEN: 1, Mrs. Farley; 2, Brown; 3, Mrs. Griffiths; vhc, Stevens; hc, Alexander; c, Ramsey. V.Y.C. and B.H.: 1, diploma best nov. pair, sp, 2, Bunchman; 3, Cooper; vhc, hc, Culver; c, Stevens. OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS.—BORD.: 1, Marriott. A.O.V.: 1, diploma best bird in show, sp, best lady's, Mrs. Thynne (Crests); 2, 3, Mrs. Baker (Crests). PAIRS FOR MULE and HYB.: 1 vhc, Runchman; 2, Hobden; 3, Birch; hc, Marriott; c, Snow. FINCH: 1, Hobden; 2, Marriott.

LIVERPOOL (Amalgamated).

9th annual show of the Liverpool Amalgamated Societies, Jan. 1, 2, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Linacre Road, Litherland, Liverpool. An extended classification was given, and there was an entry of about 330 exhibits. It is proposed to hold in future the show in the centre of the Liverpool district (probably St. Martin's Hall, Scotland Road), and it is felt that a much larger entry will thereby result. Yorkshires were a very high class lot, and Mr. Cowgill, who judged these, was loud in his praises of their excellence. An outstanding cinnamon marked yellow, bred in the Wallasey district, was the feature of the show—a real standard of beauty and symmetry. A high word of praise is due to the comparative novice, Mr. Hodgkins, who bred it and who is now serving with the colours. We understand that Mr. Metcalfe by his score of points at this show, practically makes secure his winning outright of the Green Club Championship Challenge Prize, as this would make him the winner two years in succession. The open classes for Greens, both champion and novice, contained a very large percentage of the cracks and were a treat to view. Mr. Houlton judged all except Champ. Yorks. The committee were: Messrs. Morton, Burns, Benson, Lloyd, Young, Abbott, Mullock, and Jones, with Mr. A. E. Huyton as sec., and everything was carried out with promptitude and despatch. Quite a large number of fanciers from South Lancashire towns visited the show.

YORKS. GR. YELL.: 1, Jones; 2, 3, Metcalfe; vhc, Steinart; hc, Handley; c, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, 3, Metcalfe; vhc, Jones; hc, Handley; c, Algie. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, hc, Metcalfe; 3, Steinart; vhc, McDermott; c, Jones. BUFF: 1, McDermott; 2, 3, vhc, Metcalfe; hc, Skilling; c, Abbott. NOV. YORKS GR. BUFF CK.: 1, Richardson; 2, hc, Smith; 3, vhc, Rogers; c, Steinart. YELL. HEN: 1, Richardson; 2, 3, Rogers; vhc, hc, Evans; c, Smith. MEMB. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Rowlands; 2, Evans; 3, Greatrix; vhc, Carron; hc, Stott; c, Abbott. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Rothwell; 3, Huyton. TK. YELL.: 1, Evans; 2, Brindle; 3, Stott; vhc, Benson and Young; hc, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Huyton; 2, Skilling. CL. YELL. 1914: 1, Hodgkins; 2, 3, Rowlands; vhc, Sutherland; hc, Carron; c, Benson and Young. BUFF, 1914: 1, Rowlands; 2, Algie; 3, Rothwell; vhc, Abbott; hc, Benson and Young; c, Evans. CL. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Huyton; 2, Southwood; 3, Rothwell; hc, Greatrix; c, Benson and Young. BUFF: 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, Benson and Young; vhc, Huyton; hc, Skilling, c, Corbett. VAR. YELL.: 1, Southwood; 2, Stott; 3, Huyton. BUFF: 1, Rothwell; 2, Skilling. HEN, VAR. YELL.: 1, Skilling; 2, Evans; 3, Benson and Young. BUFF: 1, Benson and Young; 2, Greatrix; 3, Evans. NAT. COL. YELL.: 1, Huyton; 2, 3, Howard; vhc, Skilling; hc, Brindle; c, Evans. YORKS. GN. SUF. YELL.: 1, Bell; 2, Benson and Young; 3, Brindle; vhc, Metcalfe; c, Algie. BUFF: 1, Benson and Young; 2, 3, Skilling. FOUL BUFF: 1, Brindle; 2, Abbott; 3, Benson and Young; vhc, Skilling; hc, Algie. YELL. 1914: 1, Algie; 2, McDermott; 3, Abbott; vhc, Metcalfe; hc, Smith; c, J. W. Handley. BUFF: 1, Metcalfe; 2, McDermott; 3, Smith; vhc, J. W. Handley. BUFF HEN: 1, Brindle; 2, Benson and Young; 3, hc, Skilling; vhc, Bell. NOV. YORKS CL., &c., YELL.: 1, Steinart; 2, Garrod. HEN: 1, Howard; 2, 3, Blundell. CL. YELL. 1914: 1, Steinart; 2, J. W. Handley; 3, Howard. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Howard; 3, Garrod. YELL. GR. YORKS.: 1, J. W. Handley; 2, Longmore; 3, Steinart. BUFF: 1, Longmore. YELL. HEN: 1, J. W. Handley; 2, Howard. BUFF: 1, Steinart; 2, Howard. CHAMP. NOR. GR. SELF OR FOUL YORKS. (8): 1, F. Handley, grand size, type and col., neatly feathered; 2, 3, Lawton, well up, fine col. and type; vhc, c, Walker; hc, Thornton. BUFF (11): good all-round lot: 1, 2, Ball; 3, hc, Thornton; vhc, Lawson; c, Metcalfe. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 3, Walker, grand col. and type; 2, Handley, deep dense col., nice type; vhc, Ball; hc, c, Thornton. BUFF (8): 1, Ball, capital four, A1 col. and size, etc.; 2, c, Handley, smaller, grand col.; 3, Thornton, small self, A1 col., neat feather; vhc, Walker; hc, Lawson; c, Handley. NOV. OPEN NOR. GR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, hc, Pew; 2, 3, Bach; vhc, Lester; c, Stead. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Lester, very fine pair; 3, hc, Bach A1 col. type and feather; vhc, Pew; c, Stead. BORD. GR. BUFF CK. (6): 1, hc, Collier; 2, 3, Ewan; vhc, Longmore. YELL. HEN (7): 1, hc, Collier; 2, vhc, Longmore; 3, c, Ewan. HYB.: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Blundell. GOLDF.: 1, Rothwell, good all-round bird; 2, Abbott, beaten a little in stoutness; 3, Price, A1 shape and size. BUFF: 1, Rothwell; 2, vhc, Lloyd; 3, Howard; hc, Abbott. GREENF.: 1, Rothwell, perfect condition; 2, Lloyd, wanted only a little more condition to make it win; 3, Howard; vhc, Price. BRAMBLE OR CHAFF.: 1, 3, Rothwell, pair of smart Chaffinches; 2, Howard, well-spangled Bramble; vhc, Carron; hc, Price. LINNET: 1, Abbott, moulted, A1 col. and cond.; 2, Rothwell, fine F.M. for moulting; 3, Algie, very big, A1 shape and markings; vhc, Price; hc, Howard; c, Jones.—SISKIN, &c.: 1, F. Handley, pretty Redpoll; 2, vhc, Price; 3, Metcalfe; hc, Jones; c, Abbott. A.O.V.: 1, Lloyd, A1 Yell. Bunting; 2, Howard, good Reed; 3, Jones, Greater Tit, nice exhibit.

HENLEY F.S.

Second annual members' show, Drill Hall, Northfield End, Nov. 25, proved a complete success. The arrangements were ably carried out by the Hon. Secretaries (Messrs. G. Machin, jun., and Lindley Murray). The committee, of which Mr. F. Dearlove was chairman, were all willing helpers. Mr. A. J. Gladwin judged. Half the net profits are to be given to the National Relief Fund.

NOR. YELL. CHAMP.: 1, Lovegrove; 2, Church; 3, vhc (2), Dearlove. BUFF: 1, spl, Dearlove; 2, Lovegrove; 3, Church; vhc, Dearlove. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Smith; 2, vhc (2), Dearlove. YELL. AMAT.: 1, Emmerson. BUFF: 1, spl, 2, vhc, Buckett; 3, vhc, Emmerson. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Buckett; vhc, Emmerson (2). YELL. NOV.: 1, Sheldrake; 2, Russell. BUFF: 1, spl, Fowler; 2, Sheldrake. UNFLIG. NOV.: 1, Fowler; 2, Russell. YORKS. AMAT.: 1, 2, Chalker. UNFLIG.: 1, 3 spls, 2, 3, Chalker; vhc, hc, Cook (3). NOV.: 1, 3, Chalker; 2, vhc, Cook. UNFLIG.: 1, spl, 2, 3, Chalker; vhc, Cook, Cox (2). GOLDF., BULLF., LINNET, MULE: All prizes Cook. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2, Church; 3, Cook. FOR., LARGE: 1, Church; 2, Reeves; 3, vhc, Lock. SMALL: 1, 2, Murray; 3, Church. Gift class was not judged owing to the numerous varieties.

ROCHDALE (Good Intent) C.B.S.

Sixteenth annual show, Dec. 5, Parish Church Schools, with a record entry of 168. Many birds which have won prizes in the large open shows all over England were on view. On the whole the show was better both in quality and quantity than in previous years. Mr. W. Hardy judged. Spl. prize for best bird was won by Mr. W. Leach, and rose bowl and gold medal Mr. A. Hordern, Runner-up, who received gold medals, were Hordern, Collinge, and Howarth.

LANCS. YELL. COPPY: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hordern; BUFF: 1, 4, Collinge; 2, 3, Newill. LANCS. YELL. P.H.: 1, Newill; 2, Collinge; 3, 4, Adams. BUFF: 1, 2, Hordern; 3, 4, Collinge. HEN: 1, Hordern; 2, 4, Newill; 3, Collinge. 1914: 1, Hordern; 2, 3, Newill; 4, Adams. GOLD LIZ.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hordern. SILVER: 1, 4, Hordern; 2, Leach; 3, Coupe. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Hordern; 2, Butterworth. CREST: 1, 2, Collinge; 3, Leach. YORKS CL. YELL.: 1, Schofield; 2, Howarth; 3, Leach; 4, Butterworth. BUFF: 1, Schofield; 2, Howarth; 3, Francis; 4, Leach. HEN: 1, Howarth; 2, 3, Schofield; 4, Butterworth. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Howarth; 2, 4, Lees; 3, Leach. YORK HEN: 1, Lees; 2, 3, Francis; 4, Leach. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Lees; 2, Howarth; 3, Blincoe; 4, Francis. BUFF: 1, 2, Leach; 3, Howarth; 4, Lord. MKD. YELL.: 1, Leach; 2, 4, Lord; 3, Howarth. HEN: 1, 4, Leach; 2, Lees; 3, Hordern. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Hordern; 2, Dewhirst; 3, Lees; 4, Francis. HEN: 1, Holt; 2, Dewhirst. NOV.: 1, Collinge; 2, 4, Lingard; 3, Collins. PAIR: 1, Collinge; 2 Leach; 3, Collinge.

NORTHAMPTON (Hand-in-Hand).

29th annual show, Jan. 2, "Old House at Home." Mr. S. G. Ette judged, and the excellent arrangements were made by Mr. A. W. Law (Sec.), Mr. C. Gray (Chairman), Mr. W. Stockwin (Vice Chairman), Mr. A. E. Dunkley (Treas.), and Messrs. W. Jeyes, F. Martin, J. Boswell, and G. Foster (Committee).

CL. YELL. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 3, T. Irons; 4, J. Irons. BUFF: 1, J. Irons; 2, 4, T. Irons; 3, Martin. TKD. OR UNEVEN YELL.: 1, 3, T. Irons; 2, Dr. Wood; 4, Austen. BUFF: 1, 4, T. Irons; 2, Jeyes; 3, Stockwin. UNFLIG. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, T. Irons; 2, Jeyes; 3, Martin; 4, Stockwin. BUFF: 1, 2, T. Irons; 3, Stockwin; 4, Dr. Wood. TKD. OR UNEVEN YELL.: 1, 2, 3, T. Irons; 4, Fennell. BUFF: 1, Fennell; 2, T. Irons; 3, Martin. CL. ETC. YELL. HEN: 1, Dr. Wood; 2, J. Irons; 3, Jeyes; T. Irons. BUFF, ETC.: 1, 3, T. Iron; 2, Fennell; 4, Jeyes. CL. CK., NAT. COL.: 1, Thorneycroft; 2, Jeyes; 3, J. Irons. CINN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Mill. CREST OR C.B.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Mills. YORKS. CK: 1, Freeman; 2, Martin; 3, 4, Dunkley. YELL. 1914: 1, 2, 3, Dunkley; 4, Freeman. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Dunkley; 2, Freeman. YORKS., ANY AGE: 1, 3, Dunkley; 2, 4, Freeman. A.O.V.: 1, Martin; 2, 3, Jeyes; 4, Thorneycroft. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 4, Martin; 2, 3, Andrews. NOV. YELL. NOR.: 1, Gammage; 2, Foster; 3, Thorneycroft, Dr. Wood. BUFF: 1, 3,

SOUTHEND C.B.S.

Annual pair show, Mr. Capp's, East Street, Prittlewell, Feb. 17. The show was a great success. Mr. Skinner, Stratford, judged in place of Mr. Easterling, unfortunately absent through illness.

CHAMP. YORKS. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN: 1, Nicholls; 2, 3, 4, Cundy; vhc, he, e, Hume. B.C. and V.H.: 1, Nicholls; 2, he, e, Cundy; 3, 4, vhc, Hume. NOR. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN: 1, Hume. B.C.V.H.: 1, 2, Cundy. NOV. YORKS.: 1, Blows; 2, 3, Deer. DITTO: 1, 2, 3, Deer; 4, vhc, he, Collins. NOR.: 1, 4 Blows; 2 3, Bates. DITTO: 1, 4, Blows; 2, he, Theedon; 3, Bates; vhc, Deer. MULING: 1, 4, Bates; 2, 3, Cundy; vhc, Collins; he, Hume. HYB.: 1, Deer; 2, 4, vhc, he; Nicholls; 3, Bates. BULLF.: 1, Deer.

OPENSHAW, GORTON & DIS. C.B.S

Second annual show Dec. 26, Mr. Metcalfe judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction. Entries were larger than last year's, with keener competition all round. Mr. Green took specials best amat., best Brit., best in show, best two Brit. by one exhibitor, and most points. Mr. Chilton won amateur medal and Mr. Richards novice medal most points throughout the year; Cain, best col.-fed ck.; Painter, best col.-fed hen; Dewar, best nov. Yorks; Cain, best nov. Nor.

AMAT. YORKS CK.: 1, 2, 3, Green; 4, vhc, Gilbert. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Green; 2, 4, Gilbert. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Peters; 3, Chilton. HEN: 1, 2, 3, 4, Peters. NOR. (1914) CK.: 1, Green; 2, 4, vhc, Chilton; 3, Peters. HEN: 1, Green; 2, vhc, Peters; 3, 4, Chilton. NOV. YORKS CK.: 1, 3, Dewar; 2, Beddall; 4, vhc, Painter. HEN: 1, Dewar; 2, Richards; 4, vhc, Kempster; 3, Bedall. CK. 1914: 1, Dewar; 2, 4, Kempster; 3, Beddall. HEN: 1, Painter; 2, Dewar; 3, 4, Richards; vhc, Kempster. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Cain; 3, 4, vhc, Richards; he, c, Giles. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Cain; 4, vhc, Richards; he, c, Giles. CK. 1914: 1, 3, Cain; 2, 4, Richards; vhc, he, Giles. HEN: 1, Giles; 2, Richards; 3, Cain. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Newton. LINNET ETC.: 1, vhc, Green; 3, 4, Newton; 2, he, Sharples. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Green; 2, Newton; 4, Sharples. A.O.: 1, 2, 4, Newton; 3, vhc, Sharples. MULE: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Giles; 3, Richards.—A. W. Newton, Hon. Sec.

LONG EATON C.B.S.

8th annual members' show, Dec. 5, Temperance Hall, with a record entry of 148 birds, despite the fact that some members have enlisted, and most of us are suffering from trade depression through the war. The hall was tastefully arranged by a band of willing helpers, and everything was ready in good time for the opening ceremony at 2 o'clock by prec., Mr. H. Mosley, who in a pleasing speech told us how he had studied birds in their wild state, and had always been fond of them from a boy; it is a pleasure to the officials to know that we have gentlemen in the town who take a great interest in the society, and I would like to express our best thanks to those who kindly contributed special prizes. At the close the chairman awarded the specials in presence of a good number of visitors and friends. Votes of thanks were accorded to the chairman, sec., and assistant sec. Mr. J. H. Roe judged, and gave general satisfaction.

NOR., CL. AND TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, G. Smith; 2, Wilcox; 3, Stafford; 4, Hexter. BUFF: 1, Wilcox; 2, 3, R. Smith. HEN: A good class): 1, 2, Wilcox; 3, Housley; 4, he, Horwood; vhc, G. Smith. VAR.: 1, Wilcox; 2, Hexter; 3, Horwood; 4, Stafford. CL. OR TKD. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, cup, 2, Wilcox; 3, Hexter. BUFF: 1, he, Wilcox; 2, 4, Horwood; 3, e, R. Smith; vhc, G. Smith. VAR. UNFLIG.: 1, Horwood; 2, Stafford. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Freebury; 2, 4, vhc, Beers; 3, Jackson; he, Barber. BUFF: 1, 2, Freebury; 3, vhc, e, Wall; 4, Baines; he, Stafford. HEN: 1, Freebury; 2, Wall; 3, vhc, Beers; 4, Jackson; he, Barber; e, Housley. VAR.: 1, Bevan; 2, Housley; 3, Beers. CL. OR TKD. YELL. UNFLIG.: Housley; 3, Beers. CL. OR TKD. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, cup, sp, 4, vhc, Jackson; 2, Bevan; 3, Freebury; he, Hexter; e, Wall. BUFF: 1, Freebury; 2, Jackson; 3, 4, Housley; vhc, he, Baines; e, Hexter. VAR.: 1, 2, Beers; 3, Barber; 4, Bainee. CREST UK.: 1, Barber. HEN: 1, Barber; 2, Barker. C.B. CK.: 1, 2, Barker; 3, Barber. HEN: 1, Barber. CK.: 1, 2, Barker; 3, Barber. HEN: 1, Barber. UNFLIG.: 1, cup, 3, Barker; 2, Barber. C.B. UNFLIG.: 1, Barker; 2, Barber. BORD. YELL.: 1, Bancroft; 2, Turner. BUFF: 1, 2, Bancroft; 3, 4, Turner. YELL. UNFLI.: 1, cup, Bancroft; 2, 3, Turner; 4, Buckingham. BUFF: 1, 2, Bancroft; 3, 4, vhc, Buckingham; he, Turner. MULE: 1, 2, 4, Hexter; 3, Wilcox; vhc, Housley; he, Baines; e, Beers. HYB.: 1, Hexter. LINNET: 1, 2, Beers. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 4, Hexter; 2, 3, Beers. BULLF. AND GOLDF.: 1, Turner; 2, 3, Beers; 4, Housley; vhc, Stafford. A.O. BRIT HARDBILL: 1, Hexter, 2, 3, 4, Beers. GIFT: 1, sp, Freebury; 2, Wilcox; 3, Barker; 4, Hexter; vhc, Stafford; he, Baines.—G. Baines, Hon. Sec.

DOUGLAS AND ISLE OF MAN.

Annual show, Dec. 3, Buxton's Hall, Central Promenade, with all profits to the War Fund. Nor. and Yorks. contained some remarkably fine birds of type and quality. Judges were Mr. Hogg, Yorks.; Mr. Gill, remainder.

NOR. YELL.: 1, sp., Gell, chubby bird, good size and col., correct type; 2, Curphy, nice one, fails in head only to winner; 3, Teare, good col. and type. BUFF: 1, 2, cup best Nor., Curphy, plenty size, short and compact, best of wing carr., correct type, inclined to be a bit browy, but a good Nor., 2nd loses in barrel; 3, Boddan, good col. and qual. MKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Teare, good type and col., a bit fine in head, mffig., 3rd typical body, good col.; 2, Gell., on the small side, good col. BUFF: 1, 2, Gell, good type and col., Liverpool novice winner, 2nd not quite the qual. and col. of winner; 3, Teare, typical, good col. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Gell, splendid type and col. for a lady, very chubby, 3rd fine head, good quality; 2, Teare, nice type and col. BUFF: 1, Teare, good size, correct type and col., well cut away, typical; 2, Gell, good typical hen, rather soft when taking notes; 3, Crellin. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Teare, good type and col., nice size, rather pinched in front of head, but a good youngster; 3, Boddan, good size, a bit long sided; 3, Gell. BUFF HEN: 1, Gell, best of type and col., well frosted, very taking; 2, Teare, chubby, heavy mkd., correct type, should make up a good one; 3, Boddan, good qual. and col., a bit wild. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, Caley, slim bird, correct type and col., good legs, well braced wings, 2nd very stylish, col., and stand, nice round head, good wings and tail; 3, Qualtrough, quite stout enough, nice col. and pos., fails wings a bit. BUFF: 1, Qualtrough, plenty of length, sound col., good head, wings and tail, well shown; 2, Caley, slim and stylish, good qual., failing a little in pos. to winner; 3, Teare, good col. and qual. MKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Caley, lengthy, good qual. and col., well braced wings and pipe tail, might have better pos., still a good bird, 2nd very little to choose between them; 3, Qualt, ugly, lengthy bird, boxey feather, good col., rather short in leg, which tells against him. BUFF: 1, Caley, plenty of length, silky feather, stands well, good wings and tail, neat head; 2, Teare, well placed, close on heels of winner, gets into pos. quickly, good qual. and col.; 3, Gawne, sound col., nice pos., fails a bit in wing carr. YELL. HEN: 1, Caley, rare length and style, neat head, well filled in neck, stands well, good wings and tail; 2, Teare, beautiful type and qual., full of nerve and stand, very taking; 3, Qualtrough, hardly the length, good col., nice pos. MKD. BUFF HEN: 1, 3, Teare, plenty of length, well tapered away, good boxey feather, stands well, well braced wings and tail, sound col.; 2, Caley, correct length and type, gets into pos. quickly, very nervy. MKD. CINN. CK., YELL.: 1, Crellin, lengthy bird, splendid qual. and col.; 2, 3, Qualtrough, very little to choose here, not quite so good in pos., 3rd loses in type and qual. to leader. BUFF: 1, 3, Qualtrough, rare length, col., and style; 2, Wade, rare qual. of feather, col. and type; 3, rather stout, good col. and qual. YELL. HEN, CINN.: 1, Teare, well drawn, very typical; 2, 3, Qualtrough, neatly got up, good in all points, 3rd as good as any in class, col., nice pos. MKD. BUFF HEN: 1, 3, Teare, silky feather, fine length and style; 2, Caley, fine lengthy hen, good qual. and col.; 3, Wade, very stylish. GR. OR FOUL YELL. YORKS.: 1, Teare, good gr., plenty of length, stands on good legs, nice pos., stylish; 2, Moore, rather stouter, nice col., good pos., hardly so neat in head; 3, Qualtrough, plenty of size, somewhat behind in pos. and wing carr. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 2, cup, Caley, very fine and tapering, rich col., well braced wings and tail, best of pos., correct stand, feathered like hoxwood, might be a little fuller in neck to make a champion, 2nd behind winner in type, still good all-round, very useful; 2, Gawne, all over a Yorkshire, plenty of style, length and col., fails a bit in pos. to leaders. HEN: 1, 2, Caley, rare length and style, rich sound col., well braced wings and tail, a beauty, 2nd hardly so stylish, good pos. and col.; 3, Gawne, stouter built, good qual. and col., nice stock hen. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Crellin, nice type, Borders, good qual.; 2, Curphy, Bord. LINNET, F.M.: 1, 2, Curphy, very steady, good nutty col., nicely pencilled, on the small side, 2nd larger, but open in front, ticking too large and hen streaked; 3, Boddan, best in class, good col. and ticking, good whites, very wild. H.M.: 1, Boddan, steady bird, nice col., well tkd., shows whites well, good cond.; 2, 3, Faragher, not steady enough to show himself, 3rd fails markings. GOLDF.: 1, Crellin, correct type, good all-round Finch, good square blaze of the right col., remarkably well buttoned and mounted, very distinct in his colours; 2, Curphy, not up in col. just yet, rather loose about thighs, hardly ready, a good all-round Finch; 3, Boddan, black leg, well tanned, fairly good bird, rather unsteady just yet. GREENF.: 1, Boddan, buff, stout bird, rather flat in head, not bright enough; 2, Curphy, yellow, bit too slim, not enough of him, nice col. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Curphy, Chaffinch, good size, clean whites, nice col., very steady; 2, Caley, Yellowhammer, good col. and steady, nice head markings, Yorkshire type; 3, Boddan, Redpoll, F.M., good col., well laced, nice bib. MULE: 1, Faragher, dark Buff Linnet, good size and qual.; 2, 3, Curphy, var. Goldie hen; 3, dark Linnet.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

Ashton-under-Lyne, Denton and Ryde Amalgamation of C.B.S. 2nd annual show, P.S.A. Rooms, Ashton-under-Lyne, Jan. 9. Mr. Wm. Booth, Newton Heath, judged, and gave general satisfaction. Sp. for society gaining most points was won by Ashton-under-Lyne, with 141 pts., Denton 111, Hyde 76.

CHAMP. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Green. BUFF: 1, Green; 2, Etchells. YELL. HEN: 1, Etchells; 2, Green. BUFF: 1, Etchells; 2, 3, 4, Green. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Green; 2, Whitehead. BUFF: 1, 2, Etchells; 3, Green. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Green; 2, Whitehead. BUFF: 1, 2, Etchells; 3, Green. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Allsop; 2, vhc, Foxall; 3, Blease and Son; 4, Ainsworth; he, Kelsall. BUFF: 1, 3, Wrigley; 2, Marsland; 4, Blease and Son; vhc, Kelsall; he, Foxall; e, Fildes. YELL. HEN: 1, Wrigley; 2, 4, Kelsall; 3, Allsop; vhc, Foxall; he, Marsland. BUFF HEN: 1, Fildes; 2, he, Blease and Son; 3, Marsland; 4, e, Foxall; vhc, Ainsworth. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Blease and Son; 2, vhc, Marsland; 3, Ainsworth; 4, Fildes. BUFF: 1, Foxall; 2, Blease and Son; 3, Ainsworth; 4, vhc, Allsop; he, Kelsall; e, Marsland. YELL. HEN: 1, Allsop; 2, Wrigley; 3, Kelsall. BUFF: 1, Allsop; 2, 3, Foxall; 4, Kelsall; vhc, Fildes; he, Ainsworth; e, Baron. NON-FED: 1, Blease and Son; 2, Kelsall; 3, Baron; 4, Allsop. LINNET: 1, 2, Barber; 3, Wilde. GOLDF.: 1, Blease and Son; 2, Stubbs; 3, Bridge; 4, Baron. BULLF.: 1, Blease and Son; 2, Bridge; 3, Wilde. BRAMBLE, ETC.: 1, 2, Wilde; 3, vhc, Barber; 4, Stubbs; he, Marsland. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Barber; 3, Baron. BRIT HEN: 1, Blease and Son. DARK MULE: 1, Blease and Son; 2, 3, Bridge. FOR. SMALL: 1, Stubbs. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, Barber. BUFF: 1, 2, Barber. HEN: 1, Redfern; 2, Potts; 3, 4, Barber. UNFIG. YELL. CK.: 1, Bridge. BUFF: 1, Redfern; 2, Potts; 3, Bridge. YELL. HEN: 1, Potts. BUFF: 1, Potts. NON-FED.: 1, Barber.

N. YORKS. AND S. DURHAM FED.

Combined show, Jan. 1, at Middlesbrough. Mr. Woodhead judged Yorks., and he had a tight job, some tip-top birds being staged, Mr. S. Hill Nor.; Mr. Marwood Brit., and all gave entire satisfaction.

YORKS. YELL. (14): 1, E. E. Pyman; 2, Taylor; 3, Barker; 4, vhc, Carlisle; he, Wilson; e, Dixon. BUFF (12): 1, Taylor; 2, Cook; 3, Naylor; 4, E. E. Pyman; vhc, Barker; he, Carlisle; e, Wilson. UNFLIG. (20): 1, he, e, E. E. Pyman; 2, Taylor; 3, 4, vhc, Barker. HEN (24): 1, 3, Carlisle; 2, vhc, E. E. Pyman; 4, Dixon; he, e, Barker. NOR. YELL. (5): 1, Rand; 2, Watson; 3, Angell. BUFF (9): 1, 4, Mays and Allinson; 2, e, Lowes and Son; vhc, Bennett; he, Watson. UNFLIG. (16): 1, e, Mays and Allinson; 2, 4, Watson; 3, Cook; vhc, Ronald; he, Bennett. HEN (13): 1, 3, 4, e, Watson; 2, Mays and Allinson; vhc, Smurthwaite; he, Rand. A.O.V. (4): 1, 2, 4, Gibson; 3, Angell. NOV. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, Graham; 2, vhc, e, Wannock; 3, Dodsworth; 4, Firth; he, Marsay. BUFF (4): 1, Marsay; 2, Harrison; 3, Hewling; 4, Elwick. UNFLIG. (12): 1, e, Thornton; 2, he, Marsay; 3, Wannock; 4, Harvey; vhc, Dodsworth. HEN (11): 1, Graham; 2, 4, Marsay; 3, he, Thornton; vhc, Harrison; e, Hewling. NOR. YELL. (6): 1, 4, Firth; 2, Bibby; 3, Dandas; vhc, Hewling; he, Dawson. BUFF (8): 1, Marsay; 2, he, Bryan; 3, 4, Bibby; vhc, Hind; e, Wannock. UNFLIG. (9): 1, Harrison; 2, Harvey; 3, 4, vhc, Waraker; he, Barrett; e, Thornton. HEN (12): 1, 2, Bibby; 3, Firth; 4, Dundas; vhc, Marsay; he, Dawson; e, Bryan. A.O.V. (7): 1, Appleyard; 2, 3, Marsay; 4, Graham; vhc, Hobson. NOV. BRIT. (12): 1, Hewling; 2, e, Wright; 3, vhc, Bibby; 4, Appleyard; he, Firth. MULE OR HYB. (10): 1, e, Husband; 2, 3, Hanson; 4, vhc, Mays and Allinson; he, Hall. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (9): 1, he, Nicholson and Son; 2, Smurthwaite; 3, Deans; 4, Stankley; vhc, Wright; e, Gibson. GREENF. (8): 1, Appleyard; 2, Taylor; 3, he, Nicholson and Son; 4, Lowes and Son; vhc, Gibson; e, Wright. LINNET (11): 1, Lowes and Son; 2, 3, Cook; 4, Hanson; vhc, Smurthwaite; he, Mays and Allinson; e, Mallory. SISKIN, ETC. (4): 1, 2, Nicholson and Son; 3, Hanson; 4, Stankley. A.O. BRIT. (9): 1, 2, 3, 4, Nicholson and Son; vhc, Wright; he, Hanson; e, Mallory.—T. H. Bibby, Sec.

NEWPORT (I. of W.) F.A.

Annual show, Dec. 2nd and 3rd, in aid of the British Red Cross Society. Norwich were a fine lot, especially those shown by Messrs. Baker and Moorman. Mr. Morris, of Ryde, had a good team of Hybrids, and we hope to hear the Association had a good gate for such a good cause. Mr. W. R. Miles, judged.

NOR. CL. YELL. (4): 1, 3, Baker; 2, vhc, Fleming. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Baker; 3, vhc, he, Fleming. TKD., ETC. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Moorman; 2, he, Baker. NAT. COL. (3): 1, vhc, he, Harris. YORKS., CL. (5): 1, 3, Morris; 2, Smith. TKD., ETC. (4): 1, 3, vhc, Smith; 2, Morris. CONFINED (4): 1, sp, Caddy; 2, Moorman; 3, Chiverton; vhc, Prentice. MULE, LIGHT (4): 1, 3, Prentice; 2, Morris; vhc, Moorman. DARK (7): 1, vhc, Morris; 2, 3, Baker; he, Fleming; e, Moorman; e, Prentice. GOLDF. (4): 1, Bricknell; 2, 3, vhc, Prentice. A.O. BRIT. (5): 1, sp., 2, Chiverton; 3, he, Prentice; vhc, Morey. PARROT, ETC. (3): 1, sp., Bonnett; vhc, Kinchington; he, Mrs. Ranger. A.O.V. (3): 1, Fleming.

DEAL, WALMER F.A.

The Deal Walmer F.A., while abandoning the annual open show, decided to hold a two-days' members' show, and to devote the proceeds to the Prince of Wales's Fund, and the local Belgian Refugees' Fund, with the grand result that after paying out five pounds prize money over entries fees, £7 was paid into the Prince of Wales's Fund and £14 to the local Belgian Refugees' Fund, a total of £21. This amount, with seven guineas paid to the local Hospital as profit on show for 1913, makes £28 raised for charitable funds in two years, a grand result considering that Deal is a small spot compared with other towns, and in the very thick of war excitements. Mr. Gibbs, Canterbury, judged, and his awards left no room for comment. In addition to the birds entered for competition, there were in the centre of hall upwards of fifty foreign birds in suitable aviaries and cages; these were kindly lent by Mr. Roe and the sec.

NOR. YELL. (9): 1, 2, 4, Pilcher; 3, Thompson; vhc, Olive, Buyers. BUFF (10): 1, 3, 4, e, Pilcher; 2, vhc, Roberts; he, Thompson. 1914 (12): 1, cup, best muffig., he, Thompson; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Pilcher; e, Buyers. YORKS. YELL. (10): 1, 4, Rayner; 2, 3, e, Johnson; vhc, Wellard; he, Olive. BUFF (10): 1, 4, Thompson; 2, 3, Johnson; vhc, e, Rayner; he, Olive. 1914 (13): 1, 3, Johnson; 2, 4, Rayner; vhc, Thompson; he, e, Olive. MULE (6): 1, 4, Thomas; 2, Thompson; 3, Roberts; vhc, Barnart; he, Eade. BRIT. SEEDEATERS (7): 1, Thomas; 2, 3, e, Lacy; 4, Thompson; vhc, Pilcher; he, Wellard.—W. H. Thompson, Hon. Sec.

HANLEY C.B.S.

Annual show Birchenhead Hotel, Jan. 9. Mr. F. Bates, Etruria Vale, judged. Entries were very good, 99 birds being staged. Norwich were small in number, but Yorks. made up for them, and qual. was quite up to the standard of previous shows. Mr. Beckett won tea service for most points in three shows, also the novice challenge cup and sp. most points in nov. Yorks., sp. second most points Norwich, and 2nd most points British. G. Lawton won champion challenge cup, also sp. for most points in champ. Yorks.; and S. Pigott, sp., second; C. J. Robinson, sp. best vhc. Special 2nd most points in nov. Yorks., Richard, also sp. for most points by a new member. W. Brown, sen., won spl. 2nd most points by new member. Most points Brit., Bates.

CHAMP. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Pigott; 2, Lawton; 3, Robinson. BUFF: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Pigott. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Pigott. BUFF: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Pigott. UNFLIG. YEL.: 1, 3, Robinson; 2, Lawton; 4, Pigott. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Lawton; 3, Pigott. HEN: 1, 3, 4, Lawton; 2, Pigott. DARK CAN. MULE: 1, 2, 3, Chadwick. LINNET: 1, 2, Beckett. NOV. YELL. NOR.: 1, Dunn; 2, Beckett. BUFF: 1, Beckett. YELL. HEN: 1, Beckett. BUFF: 1, Dunn; 2, Beckett. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Beckett. BUFF: 1, 2, Beckett. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Brown, sen.; 2, 3, Beckett; 4, Richards. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Beckett; 3, Brown, jun. YELL. HEN: 1, 4, Beckett; 2, Brown, sen.; 3, Brown, jun. BUFF: 1, 3, Beckett; 2, Richards; 4, Brown, sen. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Beckett; 3, Richards; 4, Brown, sen. BUFF: 1, Brown, jun.; 2, 3, Beckett; 4, Brown, sen. HEN: 1, 2, Richards; 3, Beckett. GOLDF.: 1, Bates; 2, Cooper; 3, Beckett. LINNET: 1, 2, 3, Bates. A. O. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, 3, Beckett.—C. Beckett, Sec.

WIDNES C.B.S.

19th annual show, Dec. 18-19, Conservative Club Assembly Room. The Green Canary Association patronised 6 Green classes for novices, and some very good Greens were on view. A good entry of nearly 160 was very satisfactory. Mr. Andrews, the hon. sec., still sticks to his official duties in his finished style, and all went well. Mr. Chas. Houlton judged, and appeared to give satisfaction.

G.C.A. CLASSES: YORKS. GR. YELL. (8): 1, 3, vhc, Stewart, self, right col. and type, fine cond., 3rd foul tail, fine col.; 2, Rodgers, larger, rather looser feather, fine col.; he, e, Evans. BUFF (16): 1, 2, e, Evans, fine type, lovely level col., good dark points; 3, Stewart, shorter, fine col.; vhc, he, Rodgers. NOR. GR. YELL. (7): 1, vhc, Lester, very fine, big cobby bird, grand level col.; 2, 3, Stead, foul and self, latter beaten on breast; he, Keates; e, Pugh. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Lester, very fine birds, leader grand all over; 3, Stead, cobby foul, nice col.; vhc, he, Pugh; e, Keates. BORD. YELL. GR. (6): 1, 3, Collier, the real type, grand col., A1 cond.; 2, vhc, Evans; he, e, Longmore. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Collier, splendid type, fine col., carr., etc.; 2, e, Evans, col. and carr. fine; vhc, he, Longmore. MEMB. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Hayes, grand variegs., rare type and col.; 2, Hill, big bouncing cl.; 3, Barker, cobby and col.; vhc, Hayes; he, Andrews. BUFF: 1, Barker, grand all round; 2, Lester; 3, Lowe and Howard; vhc, Andrews. YELL. HEN: 1, Barker, grand bouncing cl.; 2, Lowe and Howard, longer, fine built; 3, he, Hill, cobby, smaller, A1 cond.; vhc, Andrews. BUFF: 1, Barker; 2, Jones; 3, Andrews. YELL. 1913: 1, 2, Lowe and Howard; 3, Jones; vhc, Hayes; he, Andrews. BUFF, 1913: 1, Barker; 2, Lowe and Howard. NAT. COL. YELL.: 1, Abbott; 2, Murray. BUFF: 1, Abbott; 2, Roberts; 3, Barker; vhc, Capper. YELL. HEN: 1, Barker; 2, Andrews. BUFF: 1, 2, Lowe and Howard; 3, Capper; vhc, Abbott. NOR. GR. YELL.: 1, Murray, foul, fine bird, rare col., typ; 2, Abbott; 3, Bloor, slim self; vhc, Jenkins. BUFF (7): 1, Barker, A1 type, col., and bloom; 2, Lowe and Howard, well up in all points; 3, Bloor; vhc, Booth; he, Murray; e, Abbott. YELL HEN: 1, 2, Barker, grand pair; 3, Abbott, good col., slimmer through; vhc, Bloor. BUFF HEN (8): Rare good lot, one or two had bathed and got wet, spoiling their chance; 1, Abbott; 2, 3, Barker; vhc, Jenkins, probable winner when dry; he, Capper; e, Bloor. BORD. BUFF: 1, Hampson, tight, neat cinn. mkd., grand qual. and cond.; 2, Andrews, fine type, good qual. feather. NOR. CINN.: 1, Booth, foul tail, lovely col. and type; 2, 3, Hill, good pair, nice col.; vhc, Capper; he, Abbott. A.O. YELL.: 1, 2, vhc, Andrews, Scotch and Bord.; 3, Hampson, good Gr. Bord.; he, Jenkins. BUFF (8): 1, Booth, good grizzle Crest; 2, Andrews, neat Scotch Fancy, good through heart; 3, Jenkins, fine C.B.; vhc, Hampson; he, Hill; e, Abbott. MULE: 1, 2, Booth, 4-pointed buff Goldf.-Can., and a fine dk. Greenf.-Can., both in fine form; 3, Hampson, good yell. Linnet-Can.; vhc, he, Leicester. GOLDF.: 1, Jones, good G by 3, fine, broad, well cut blaze, good moons and bars, nice solid feather; 2, 3, Leicester, narrower body, fine col. and cond., 3 beaten in breast to-day; vhc, Andrews; he, Booth. LINNET: 1, 2, e, Leicester, nice trio; 3, Murray; vhc, Booth; he, Roberts. F.M.: 1, Bloor; 2, Andrews. A.O.V.: 1, Booth, fine Mealy Redpoll; 2, 3, Hampson, nice Siskin and Twite. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, Popple. BUFF: 1, 2, Hill. HEN: 1, 3, Popple; 2, Hill. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Hill; 3, Roberts. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, Keates, Chaffinch; 2, Capper, Bramble.

HALIFAX O.S.

Annual members' show, Dec. 26, Plummet Line Hotel. Entries totalled 114. Mr. A. Jowett, Queensbury, judged, and his awards appeared to give satisfaction. Burdekin Bros. won champ. sp., with 16 points; A. Lloyd and S. Wilkinson tie for 2nd, 14 each. Novice: 1, W. Speak, 16 points; Mr. M. I. Sharp, J. Ellis, and A. Barnes tie for 2nd, 15 points each.

YELL. YORKS.: 1, vhc, Lloyd; 2, 3, e, Wilkinson; he, Helliwell. BUFF: 1, he, e, Burdekin Bros.; 2, Blackburn and Mitchel; 3, Helliwell; vhc, Lloyd. MKD.: 1, vhc, Blackburn and Mitchel; 2, 3, Wilkinson. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, he, Burdekin Bros.; 2, Wilkinson; vhc, Helliwell; e, Blackburn and Mitchel. BUFF: 1, 2, Burdekin Bros.; 3, Blackburn and Mitchel; vhc, Wilkinson. GR. YORKS.: 1, Helliwell. NOV. YELL.: 1, vhc, Speak; 2, Sharp; 3, Ellis; he, e, Barnes. BUFF: 1, 2, Ellis; 3, Sharp; vhc, Thornton; he, Barnes; e, Hartley Bros. MKD.: 1, 2, Barnes; 3, Speak; vhc, Sladdin and Baldwin; he, Benn; e, Rushworth. YELL. HEN.: 1, vhc, Speak; 2, Sharp; 3, Thornton; he, Sladdin and Baldwin; e, Hartley Bros. BUFF: 1, Sharp; 2, Barnes; 3, vhc, Ellis; he, Speak. GR. OR CINN.: 1, vhc, Sladdin and Baldwin; 2, 3, Sharp; he, Ellis; e, Leach. HEN: 1, Thornton; 2, Scruton; 3, Sladdin and Baldwin; vhc, e, Briggs. CHAMP. BUFF NOR.: 1, Clegg; 2, Ball; 3, vhc, Lord. YELL. HEN: 1, Lloyd; 2, Lord; 3, he, Clegg; vhc, Ball. BUFF: 1, Clegg; 2, 3, Ball; vhc, Lord. NOV. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Hudson; 3, vhc, Corney. BUFF: 1, Hudson; 2, Hartley Bros.; 3, vhc, Corney. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Corney; 3, vhc, Hudson. BUFF: 1, Hudson; 2, 3, Corney. LINNET: 1, Macpherson. FINCHES: 1, 2, 3, Macpherson; vhc, Benn. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, vhc, Macpherson; 2, Benn; 3, Helliwell. Burdekin Bros. win spl. most points throughout series of shows with 86 points, and for most points in selling classes, for he birds they tie with M. I. Sharp with 4 points each; most vhc, Sladdin and Baldwin, J. Corney, and A. Lloyd tie, D. A. Macpherson wins spl. most points in Brit., with 60½ points. Gold medals for novices, given by society: Yorks.: M. I. Sharp 66 points, W. Speak 65. Nor.: J. Corney 43½. In judging competition, Dec. 26, Mr. J. Ellis won the sp., hitting the judge's awards eight times, the nearest other being six. Eighteen competitors took part. Special winners throughout the season have won: Champ.: Burdekin Bros. 27s. 6d., Macpherson 18s. 9d., Wilkinson 13s. 9d., Lloyd 2s. 1d., Saville 1s. 5d., Helliwell 1s. 3d. Nov.: Speak 17s., Sharp 9s. 11d., Barnes 5s. 8d., Child 5s., Corney 3s. 10d., Craven 2s., Sladdin and Baldwin 10d., Ellis 8d. Sladdin and Baldwin a pair of birds value £1, with 40½ points, not having won a club special throughout the shows. —H. Clegg, Hon. Sec.

BOOTLE C.B.S.

Annual old show, Dec. 12. 269 birds faced the judge, Mr. A. Wellings. In champ., Mr. R. Algie won cup most points throughout the year, special best Yorks., and first most points at this show; 2nd most, Skilling; 3, Evans; 4, Cooper; 5, Huyton. Nov. sp. best bird, Howard; 1st most points, Handley; 2, Vogel; 3, Wilson.

YORKS. CL. YELL. CK.: 1, e, Skilling; 2, Huyton; 3, he, Algie; vhc, Morton. BUFF: 1, Huyton; 2, Algie; 3, Southwood; vhc, he, Skilling; e, Morton. TKD. OR MKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Skilling; 2, Cooper; 3, Algie; vhc, he, Morton. BUFF: 1, Huyton; 2, vhc, he, Skilling; 3, Algie. HEN CL. YELL.: 1, Algie; 2, Morton; 3, Knight; vhc, Huyton; he, Rothwell; e, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Algie; 2, 3, vhc, Skilling; he, Huyton; e, Evans. HEN, TKD. OR MKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Skilling; 2, Cooper. BUFF: 1, Evans; 2, vhc, Cooper; 3, e, Skilling; he, Algie. YELL. 1914: 1, Bracken; 2, Southwood; 3, Handley; vhc, Algie; he, Skilling; e, Morton. BUFF: 1, Evans; 2, Rothwell; 3, Algie; vhc, Handley; he, Knight; e, Morton. YELL. HEN 1914: 1, 2, Algie; 3, vhc, Skilling; he, Cooper; e, Huyton. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, e, Algie; 3, Morton; vhc, Handley; he, Evans. NAT. COL. YELL.: 1, Huyton; 2, Southwood; 3, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Algie. HEAVILY VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Huyton; 2, Southwood; 3, Braeken; vhc, Algie; he, Pye; e, Skilling. BUFF: 1, sp, Algie; 2, 3, Skilling. YELL. HEN: 1, Bracken; 2, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Knight; 2, Skilling; 3, Algie. YORKS. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, 2, Algie; 3, Evans; vhc, e, Cooper; he, Skilling. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Skilling; 2, Algie; 3, Rothwell. FOUL YELL.: 1, Skilling; 2, vhc, Algie; 3, Cooper. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Skilling; 3, e, Algie; he, Bracken. HEN SELF YELL.: 1, 3, vhc, Algie; 2, he, Skilling; e, Cooper. BUFF: 1, Algie; 2, 3, Cooper; vhc, Skilling; he, Handley. HEN FOUL YELL.: 1, Bracken; 2, Algie; 3, Cooper; vhc, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, 3, Algie. SELF OR FOUL YELL. 1914: 1, e, Algie; 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Cooper; he, Bracken. BUFF: 1, Cooper; 2, 3, Algie; vhc, Handley; he, Skilling. HEN YELL.: 1, Evans; 2, e, Algie; 3, Handley; vhc, Knight; he, Skilling. BUFF: 1, 3, Algie; 2, vhc, Skilling; he, Cooper; e, Bracken. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Vogel; he, Wilson. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, e, Vogel; 2, Wilson; he, Algie. NOV. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Wilson; 2, Howard; 3, Vogel. BUFF: 1, Howard; 2, Critchley. CL. OR TKD. YELL. 1914: 1, Handley; 2, Howard; 3, Pye. BUFF: 1, sp, Howard; 2, Pilkington; 3, Critchley. HEN CL. OR TKD. BUFF: 1, Handley; 2, Critchley; 3, Handley; vhc, he, Howard; e, Pilkington. BUFF: 1; Howard; 2, Wilson; 3, Critchley. YORKS. GR. SELF OR FOUL YELL.: 1, Wilson; 2, Handley. BUFF: 1, Wilson; 2, Handley; 3, Pilkington. SELF OR FOUL, 1914: 1, Critchley; 2, 3, Handley; vhc, Pilkington. HEN: 1, Pye; 2, Handley. G.C.A. NOV. CLASSES: YORKS. GR. BUFF CK.: 1, 3, Smith; 2, Richardson; vhc, e, Evans; he, Rogers. YELL. HEN: 1, Richardson; 2, Evans; 3, Steinart; vhc, he, Smith; e, Rogers. NOR. GR. CK.: 1, 3, Bache; 2, e, Stead; vhc, he, Pugh. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Bache; 3, he, Pugh; vhc, Stead. BORD. GR. BUFF CK.: 1, Collier; 2, Longmore; 3, vhc, Ewan. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Collier; 2, e, Longmore; vh

ADVICE ON COMMENCING CANARY BREEDING.

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THE keeping, breeding, and rearing of Canaries make up a very interesting study—even in the very beginning one realises to some extent its fascination and charm. It is a hobby which entails a little labour, time, and attention; but which brings with it a great amount of pleasure, while with a bit of good fortune combined with practical experience you get a very fair remuneration as an extra reward.

When a commencement is made I would advocate the purchase of birds that are well bred, whether it be Yorkshires, or Norwich Plainheads, or Border Fancies. Get birds that show type and quality. Even with a beginner either of the three varieties I have mentioned as a rule prove prolific breeders, robust of constitution, and easily managed.

The selection of good stock birds is of the most vital importance, and it does not follow that you must pay exorbitant prices for these birds. Set out with the ideal in your mind, and don't rest content until you have achieved it. It may not be done in a day, but perseverance will ultimately bring success. To get information, visit shows, see all you can, and hear all you can (I would not say, like the Yorkshire man, "Say nowt."). Don't be frightened to ask a question as to the why and wherefore, and use an observant eye.

Preparing the Stock.

Just before the breeding season is upon us you should be giving your hens a little inga (or niga) seed twice or thrice a week, also a little rape and hemp as well. The staple diet should be a plentiful supply of best Spanish canary seed. At the beginning of March I commence with a small portion of egg-food per bird; not too much, as I believe in bringing them on gradually, and if it be a cold room the weather plays an important part. About now the cock birds should also have a little of the extra items.

I would not advise you to pair up before the beginning of April; but you must be guided by the condition of your birds, and the weather. You will quite understand, however, that it is no use putting birds together unless in proper breeding condition. The hens ought to be flapping their wings freely, and "calling," which is a sign they are ready to begin nest-building. The cock birds will be almost bursting with song, and occasionally you will find them "feeding" their toes, or some portion of the cage front.

I advocate double breeders, size 39in. by 17½in. by 9in., with both a wood and a wire partition; or at least have wire slides, so you can use them when required. Should your birds not at first agree, separate them with a wire slide until they become accustomed to each other; this often prevents a good deal of ill-treatment. Then, again, if the hen is inclined to pluck her young when going to nest again, let her feed them through the wires of the slide; it is much better than hanging a nursery cage on the front of the breeding cage. The young are more protected, and not so liable to get a chill.

The cages should be well made, having no cracks or crevices to harbour red mite, etc. If enamelled inside they are easily sponged and kept clean. Place a lined nest-pan in between the perches, and about on a level with them, also give some building material. The hen ought soon to get to work.

Take the first, second and third eggs out every morning as laid, putting them carefully away, and put one dummy egg into the nest. On the evening of the third day replace them, not forgetting to dust the nest well with insect powder. If the cock bird is left with the hen, see that he does not disturb her, or interfere with the eggs.

The Hatching Eggs.

On the twelfth and thirteenth mornings, sprinkle the eggs with a little warm water; it will help them to hatch. Should they have been properly incubated, and proved fertile, the young will then make their appearance. Give a little egg-food (say the afternoon of the thirteenth day) so that the hen may feed them. Scalded rape with a little stale white bread grated amongst it is sometimes appreciated by the hen when discharging her maternal duties. You will soon see if she is giving the young her attention. Never resort to hand-feeding the young if it can be avoided.

Some hens will feed better if the cock bird is removed; others will not feed without he is present. There is no hard and fast line to be laid down in this respect. There are cock birds that feed splendidly, and their assistance is invaluable to the hen, especially if it be a brood of four or five.

When the young are three days old give a tiny spray of watercress; this is the green food I favour most, though, of course, some other kinds are equally good. When they have attained the age of three weeks, the hen will be wanting to go to nest again, but do not take them away from their parents until they can properly do for themselves, and then still continue the egg-food, crushed hemp and rape. When they get well on to hard seed, the egg-food can be gradually reduced. Stale bread, moistened with scalded milk, and with a little maw seed mixed amongst it, should be given one or twice a week. If any are inclined to look "lumpy," place them on bread and milk for three or four days, it will put them to rights.

My last words are: Keep yourself in touch with the Fancy; get your Cage Birds weekly; there is always something new cropping up, and no limit to what we can learn.

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(Continued from page 105.)

I WILL now deal with some of the commoner Parrot ailments, their symptoms, and what I have found from my own experience to be the best treatment:—

Enteritis.—One of the most frequent and fatal of bird diseases. With Parrots, generally due to chill, but sometimes caused by the presence of some irritant or poison in the bowels. The affected bird puffs its feathers, shivers, and often sits with its head under its wing (to use a common, if incorrect, expression). The eye appears dull, and there is little or no appetite. Heat is the only effective treatment, and if the bird is not too far gone will generally effect a cure. Little benefit is likely to be derived from medicine or dieting, as the patient will hardly touch food until it begins to mend. When enteritis is due to the swallowing of some irritant such as paint or varnish the symptoms are more acute, and convulsions and paralysis of the legs may ensue. Recovery will depend upon the strength of the bird's constitution and the quantity of poison taken, and little or nothing can be done but to keep it warm and quiet, hope for the best and expect the worst!

Pleurisy.—Often accompanied by pericarditis. Symptoms much the same as those of enteritis. Generally fatal in a few hours. Warmth the only remedy.

Inflammation of the Lungs.—Due to chill. The bird pants heavily and breathes noisily, the eye remaining fairly bright. It seldom puts its head under its wing, as the labour of breathing is thereby increased. Treatment: Great heat and a fairly moist atmosphere.

Bronchitis.—Generally due to chill. Symptoms much the same as those of inflammation of the lungs. In enough distilled water to last for a week's supply put 30 grains of carbonate of ammonia, 30 drops of tincture of squills, and 50 drops of glycerine, and give the mixture instead of plain water. There is often no marked loss of appetite. Keep in a very warm and rather moist atmosphere.

Peritonitis.—Generally the result of some internal injury, and almost invariably fatal in a few hours. The symptoms of chronic peritonitis are sometimes indistinguishable from those of tuberculosis, the bird feeding well, but showing extreme emaciation and some diarrhœa.

Tuberculosis.—Most commonly met with in Cockatoos. Symptoms: Emaciation and diarrhœa, and, in acute cases, vomiting. A tame bird may become extremely savage, probably under the influence of pain. The appetite usually remains good. Tuberculosis is by no means so incurable as some writers imagine, even when it has reached a very advanced stage. The bird should be kept extremely warm and fed on every kind of rich and stimulating food which it can be persuaded to take—unlimited quantities of hemp and sunflower seed should be offered, cake and even meat, anything, in fact, which will not irritate the bowels. Avian tuberculosis (which is not known to be communicable to human beings) is seldom pulmonary, and fresh air—in the sense of a constant supply of *outdoor* air—is of no use whatever in effecting a cure. Far more birds develop tuberculosis in outdoor aviaries than in cages. The disease is highly contagious, but the germs do not appear to be carried by the air.

Septic Fever.—The term popularly employed to designate a highly contagious malady possibly allied to tuberculosis, though wholly distinct from it. The disease is most commonly found among the newly-imported birds which have been over-crowded in dirty travelling boxes; but, once introduced, it will flourish indefinitely in the cleanest and best-kept aviaries in defiance of the most thorough attempts at disinfection. The necessity for a lengthy period of quarantine in the case of all freshly imported birds likely to be suffering from the disease is therefore obvious. The micro-organism of septic fever is possessed of immense vitality, both as regards its power of surviving for long periods without a living host, and of resisting the action of disinfectants. It is also singularly, at times bewilderingly, capricious in its attacks. The disease appears in two forms, the acute and the chronic, the former being by far the most common. Both are incurable, and the symptoms are very similar to those of enteritis, the bird's eye always appearing sick, dull and watery.

Grey Parrot "Fever."—A highly contagious disease often found among newly-imported Grey Parrots, *Pœocephalus* Parrots (Senegals, etc.), and Blue-bonnets. It is caused by the presence of a diplo-coccus in the blood, and is entirely distinct from ordinary septic fever, though it resembles that disease in its symptoms. Cases of recovery are extremely rare, but are not quite unknown. Great heat is the only remedy to try.

(To be Continued.)

The Making of a Naturalist.

An Appreciation of the Late Walter Lowne.

A VERY interesting appreciation of the work and personality of the lately deceased fancier, Mr. W. Lowne (Fuller's Hill Aviaries, Great Yarmouth) has appeared in the local papers, and from this the following extracts are made. This writer, "John Knowlittle," says:—

"I knew Lowne when a carpenter's apprentice," he says, "he then lived next door to me, and we used to talk birds, and guns, and pursue them together on sand dune, tidemark, river walls, and Breydon, sometimes with little respect for close seasons and the penalties threatened for breaking them. Both equally sanguinary at that time, the rare Spoonbills, Avocets, the commoner Godwits, Knots, Curlew, and Sandpipers, 'in the red' of spring, and other little travellers, were a strong lure from the pathway of 'natural rectitude.'

"Only a month since died the first semi-officially appointed bird watcher (Mr. R. J. Buddery), who tried hard to outwit us. A copy of Mr. Christopher Davies' delightful 'Swan and her Crew,' I well remember, had a most stimulating effect on both of us; and the late Rev. C. A. Johns' 'British Birds in their Haunts' added further zest to our pursuits. That latter volume, in his stuffing days, Lowne usually consulted for positions, attitudes, and poses, than which few wood cuts have ever been more natural and correct.

"Suddenly Lowne decided to learn the art of taxidermy, foreseeing a probable and profitable opening in that line. Nor was his surmise incorrect. There was then a number of collectors in the district, and the gun was still more popular than the field glass or the camera, while many local sportsmen were a milder sort of blockade runners than the sponsors of the 'Dacia.' Lowne's first book on the art I set him up with. He himself sent a bird to the rather clumsy bird-stuffer, old ———, of King Street, who spoilt many good birds, and this specimen the would-be artist afterwards carefully pulled to pieces to see the drift of it, practically learning the method backwards! His first bird was a Starling, which, 'when preserved,' turned out what both of us acknowledged to be a perfect caricature. But he persevered, and set up specimen after specimen, destroying most as he improved upon his work, until he felt emboldened to take in jobs of the kind.

"Lowne at first worked on his specimens at night, after hours; and later on ventured to hire the premises on Fuller's Hill. . . . His neatness as a carpenter, and his remarkable tastiness of case-scenery and fittings were characteristic of his workmanship. Many Norwich and Suffolk collectors sent their work to him.

"As an outdoor hobby, Mr. Lowne for many years pursued the 'gentle art,' winning numerous prizes at Broadland fishing matches. He also rigged up aviaries in his stuffing room, in which rare species of British birds were fed and tended, and duly rendered tame enough for company and the show bench; the pick of these travelled to the Crystal Palace and numerous provincial shows, bringing their owner some gain, and many high honours. He also often acted as judge in bird shows. He reared from the nest Nightingales, Whitethroats, Bearded Tits (one of which he kept alive for ten years), Kingfishers, and others. The Bearded Tit was always a sure prize-winner. Many rare birds were taken to him by bird catchers and gunners. Some of these were 'bargains.'"

Can English Canary Seed be Successfully Grown?

By T. R. TROWER (Trower and Co.)

IN answer to your correspondent who so kindly mentioned our firm, I will mention for his benefit and others of your readers who may be interested the few facts relating to English canary seed that have come to my knowledge as a seedsman. Personally, I have come across very few farmers who have grown it, therefore profess to have no agricultural knowledge or a grower's views of the subject; I can only give you the few facts that I have turned up in my experience of about 45 years in the seed trade.

Canary seed at one time was grown in considerable quantities in England, especially in Essex and the Isle of Thanet. The low price which prevailed for some years practically killed its production. It only pays a farmer when he gets a good price, those who understood its cultivation probably dropped out and lost their interest in it as a crop. Usually, too, when it is grown, it is either harvested damp or over ripe, in which latter case the seed gets shelled and contains a large number of dark brown kernels, which give the bulk a bad appearance, and to a person with no knowledge of the cause leads him to suppose it contains dirt or foreign matter, and he refuses to purchase it. Then, again, it is often badly stored when harvested and gets "moused."

The Difficulty of "Condition."

To get English seed in perfect condition you must have a fine, dry harvest time and catch your crops at the right moment. It is difficult to do this owing to our variable climate. You have not more than one year in about ten when the conditions are perfect—that is, after your crop has successfully passed through its growing period, you want a fine, dry, sunny time to get it in proper condition.

When you turn to those districts like Turkey, Morocco, and Spain, with a soil properly suited to its cultivation, once you have got through the early growing time, and have freedom from frosts, your harvest is assured in good condition in nine years out of ten. A similar thing occurs in our maple peas for pigeon fanciers. Australia and New Zealand can now grow these hard, dry, and good in colour, almost every year, whereas we only get them in such condition once every few years, ours containing too much moisture, which causes them to turn black after a few months. Hence, to-day, all our prominent pigeon keepers use Australian and New Zealand peas in preference to English.

No doubt when you do get a well grown and well harvested parcel of English canary seed, kept free from mice, it is a splendid feeding seed; in my opinion none is better for sweetness and feeding. I for one should like to see its cultivation become more extended and more interesting to farmers; but they do not live on sentiment but have to consider what pays them best.

Where the English Seed Scores.

If you put English canary seed under the microscope you will see its outer shell (or skin) covering the kernel, like a beautiful piece of fine spider's web, and in handling a handful of seed it feels like a piece of fine silk, and looks bright and glossy, whereas if you look at Spanish or Turkish seed you will find a hard, dry, strong, firm outer skin, with but very seldom a shelled seed amongst it, almost exactly the reverse to our English seed. I presume the soil and growth have a lot to do with this difference in the outer covering of the kernel, as well as the hot sun in ripening.

Almost the same remarks re growing, cultivation, and harvesting apply to our English linseed. When you do get a parcel of well grown, well harvested English Linseed there is nothing in the world to equal it for quality.

One is sorry to see many of our time-honoured old crops ceasing to be produced, or very largely dropping out of cultivation, but the reasons are simple. As other parts of the world are being rapidly developed it is found that certain areas and certain districts are better fitted to grow certain seeds and grain, which affords them a great advantage, and in many cases almost a monopoly in their production.

Correspondence.

Reviving the Roller Fancy in Grimsby and District.

Sir,—Allow me to invite all Roller fanciers living in the district to meet together and help reorganise the Grimsby and Cleethorpes Roller Canary Society. The Club has held three very successful shows, and is in a sound financial condition, but will have to "put the shutters up" unless more of the local fanciers come forward and help to carry it on! The annual general meeting is fixed for March 11, 7 p.m., at the Adult School, Albert Street, when we shall be delighted to welcome both old and new members.

J. A. Ives.

When Judges Disagree.

Sir,—Allow me to thank Mr. R. D. Parlett for his brief but very interesting letter of last week, and to assure him that I felt very much tickled by his kindly references to a certain judge, because the said judge had the shocking bad taste to question the alleged parentage of Mr. P.'s Hybrid. I note "White Rose" is entirely excluded from his last letter; what modesty! And no more victims are added to his black list; how lucky some are!

White Rose.

[We cannot print any further references to persons; correspondents must keep to the birds.—Editor.]

Affairs of the Y.C.C. of Scotland.

Sir,—I endeavoured in my last letter to answer "One Less" in a plain and simple way that even he might understand. I tried to show him where he was wrong in his ideas. Now a good debate or argument through your columns is good for the fancy generally; but when it is pure rubbish that is being written on the private working of an association (what business can only be properly discussed at the meetings) then your valuable space is being taken up unnecessarily. There is scarcely one correct statement, and no argument in his whole letter. Re the non-facing of the music by a member who has resigned, I can't see that there was any music to face—save the discordant notes of "One Less." He asserts that I am no friend of the novice, as I want him to fill classes in order that I shall get full prize-money to pay for my winners. I am afraid he is wandering. I had no bought in winners on the bench all the season. He further accuses me of saying that too much has been done for the novice. What I did say and now repeat was that they had made a poor try for trophies, etc., offered in the past. When he says that there is only one competing novice member left, he is very far from the truth. He also says that the winning of a novice cup makes the winner a champion—which is not the case. He talks about a one man club. If one member did show birds to make a good score in points—good luck to him—it is for the other members to try to do the same another time. The remarks of "One Less" remind one of the good old fable of the "Fox and the Grapes." He might try to get someone to explain the S.Y.C.C. Rules, etc. to him.

A Member.

Is Mixed Seed as Bad as a Disease?

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Knight I will try to explain the over-feeding of British Birds. A Goldfinch, or Linnet, placed in a small cage where it gets little exercise and all kinds of seeds are offered, eats of the best and puts on flesh—result, indigestion is brought on. But still the mixed seed is given (mostly fatty food). Some birds will drop dead from their perch when in full song; others go into decline, and nothing will save them. Take ourselves when given something extra good; we eat too much, and then we feel ill! Do we eat more to get well? No. Now the poor bird cannot help eating if you place these good things before him. Do not be so kind (as you think) to your feathered pet; give the best plain canary seed, and he will live a happy life.

I moult all my birds on plain canary seed, and feed on the plain seed all the year round. I turn all birds loose in the aviary when the breeding season is over. I never give green-food in the winter, but only apple. I give green-food in the breeding season; chickweed only, which is a medicine to wild birds. Give a sick bird its liberty and it will at once find chickweed, eat of it and live. Groundsel bloom is good for the Goldfinch or Linnet (not the leaves). Watch them in the open; they only eat of the groundsel seeds. Dandelion blooms are good to bring them forward for breeding. At times I give my birds a little hemp or sunflower; that is, if a Finch or Linnet looks "thick" they will act as a tonic. When the Finch or Linnet is fresh caught, put it in a small cage for a day or two, as they often damage themselves in large cages, and then feed on soaked seed, rape, canary and thistle, with good sound hemp, crushed every day freshly, for a week or two. Then discontinue the hemp and rape and feed on plain canary seed. Should a bird become thick, return to the soaked seed (well dried) for a time. Once you get them to take the canary seed you have no more trouble with them, only the pleasure of seeing them live in health for years. I hope fanciers will give this system a trial and let me know the result next season, as I too am open to learn.

F. Balcombe.

Prize-money at Cork P.P. and C.B.A. Show.

Sir,—Cork P.P. and C.B.A. annual show was held Nov. 25th and 26th last. As it is now Feb. 26, I would like to know if anyone can tell me, through Cage Birds, when they are going to pay prize-money? I have written two letters to the hon. sec., whose name appears in your report, both of which he has not answered. The same sort of thing happened with their 1913 show. They owed me 11s., sent me 5s., kept back 6s. I sent numerous letters to the then hon. sec., and received no reply. I wrote to the president; still no reply. And that was all I got out of them, 5s. This year, so far, nothing.

E. Southwood.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—Mr. Clegg does me an injustice when he remarks, why recommend weeds of the Crest-bred for crossing? I do not. Weeds of any variety are useless to the fancier whose ambition is to be at the top. Admittedly a good hen is of great value for Crest breeding—the better it is, as far as size, with a short thick body, cushion-shaped head, and good quality of feather, the more value it is to the fancier of Norwich Plainheads who wishes to manufacture his own. This is the great reason why I mention this cross. In the short time which has elapsed since my resurrection, I have found those who have the right stamp of stock birds do not want to part with them. If one has obtained enough size and head properties he does not want more. It would not do for all of us to hold the same opinion as each other. Mr. Clegg may keep to the medium sized typical Norwich. I want to produce a bird of good type, but with an extra large body, deep, broad chest, very broad head and prominent cheeks.

Mr. Allsopp I cannot follow at all. He first says we must not use a large hen.; in the next breath he says you must get your hen as large as the cock. He then says size would be more apparent if we descend from the large rough stock by easy stages. If you get the right stock to start with you will have no rough stock—roughness does not produce size. He then partly condemns the bird that is made large by abundance of feather, although only a little while ago he told us we must have a wealth of feather. Rest assured we must, too; this plays an important part in the bit of extra size required, especially when it is well carried.

J. Bastock.

Sir,—However good a bird may be, it cannot command the entire approval of every judge or fancier. "Sub Rosa" will find a reply to many of his remarks in my letter to Mr. Allsopp. My remarks were made without prejudice, and I quite adhere to them. The only qualifications "Sub Rosa" seems to stand up for are a deep chest, feather fitting like a lady's glove, and a good tail. Referring again to the winner at Ardwick, he finds two faults only—not deep enough in chest, and position too upright. I claim the bird has quite enough chest (we don't want a chest like a pouter pigeon) and that the position is good. Anyway, I shall be pleased to hear from "Sub Rosa" how to get a more uniform type in our Norwich classes.

Barker Clegg.

Sir,—It afforded me great pleasure to peruse that common-sense article on Business Methods by Mr. Hinson last week, in which there is no superfluous language, and dictionary aid has not to be invoked. A striking contrast was reached, so far as my own feelings were concerned, when I came to that part of Mr. Allsopp's letter, advising the big hen, etc. Now, having regard to your valuable space I must say at once that neither the Crestbred nor the Lancashire is needed to maintain size; never in my twenty-two years' experience have I ever used such but, withal, can show Plainheads to-day as big as they are wanted. To back my mode of procedure against Mr. Allsopp's, I will put five pounds at your disposal, providing he does the same, for any charitable purpose you think fit, and if I fail to produce better all round stock from a given pair (if a fair number be reared) then I will willingly part with my money and lift my hat to him.

W. Spillman.

Substitutes for Egg Food.

Sir,—Could any of your readers give me a good recipe for an egg-food substitute, such as egg cake, which would keep for, say, three or four days, for use during the breeding season? I believe I read some few years ago in your valuable paper of readers using dog biscuit and various other substitutes. It would be very interesting just now to hear further experiences of this kind, and especially as eggs may be expensive this coming season.

A. R. Fox.

Yellow Buntings at Bathgate Show.

Sir,—With reference to my appeal through Cage Birds a few weeks ago, kindly allow me to thank those who responded so well by giving a record entry of fifteen birds in the Yellow Bunting class at Bathgate show on Saturday last. We now see there are ample entries to be found, so perhaps the various show committees will see their way to provide a special class for this bird only, and thus avoid the Yellow Bunting competing in a mixed class.

(Mrs.) L. E. T. Dalton.

The Future of the Fife and Kinross P.S.

Sir,—What I and others would like to know is, when there is going to be a meeting called of the Fife and Kinross Plainhead Society? The secretary, Mr. Dickson, is stationed at Glencorse on hospital work, and when called up he wrote the officials to call a meeting, and also notified same in your columns. But after six months' waiting there is no word as yet of one. Surely the members are not going to let the club drop after the good work that has been done? Let us all rally together.

A Member.

The Heavily-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—In reply to the letter of Mr. D. Williams, there is perhaps little I can add to that which has already had my attention, when replying to Mr. Davis. If I may say so, however, it seems my reply harmonises very nicely with the facts stated by Mr. Williams, which occasions me some little gratification in view of the fact that, unlike he, I was not "told anything about the affair," nor, unfortunately, had I the services of a "friend with legal knowledge." I do not wish to appear incorrigible in the matter, but really I must confess that when judging the Plainheads at the Welsh National show I fully realised that I was a trusted servant of the exhibitors and of the show management, also that I was a servant unto myself. That it is very evident I failed to properly appreciate the position of the last person I do not deny, as otherwise I should have made very certain of emerging from the situation with a whole skin by promptly adhering to the strict reading of the schedule. In addition to this, I can now see that to make a really reliable judge 'tis very necessary to not only assume the wig and gown of the legal profession, but to also enter into the work imbued with the same business spirit and principles with which our daily work is associated. To deal with an unfortunate circumstance broadly and even generously, as befits a Fancy with lofty ideals, is indeed a heinous offence. If I am to be hung, please let it be soon; in any case before I pair up my birds!

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—The decision of the judge and show management I find to be of greater importance to myself than even the winning of a 1st could be to J. H. Davis. If, Mr. Crawshaw's and Messrs. Greaves' and Richards' birds had been "wrong-classed," as it is contended they should have been, I am thereby entitled to the £7 10s. silver cup for most points in the Norwich classes; Mr. Crawshaw at present being credited with 44 points, and myself with 43. This, then, is my justification for entering the arena of discussion on this debatable decision. Mr. Allsopp's attitude in your last issue is the attitude of a strong and generous nature. He admits that had he played the part of Shylock, and cut his pound of flesh, he would have "wrong-classed" Nos. 1, 2, and 3, and awarded 1st prize to Mr. Davis. You, sir, in your editorial comment, suggest that he should have cut his pound of flesh. But could he have done so without spilling one drop of blood? What would Mr. Crawshaw and Messrs. Greaves and Richards have said? How the tongues would have wagged in the Fancy when it became known that owing to the "wrong-classing" of these birds a Cardiff exhibitor had won the cup, though at the time all thoughts of the cup were out of every one's mind. I suggest, sir, that even you have not looked at all the points of the case. Does not rule 23 on page 6 of the schedule expressly state: "The committee's decision on all matters, whether provided in the foregoing rules or not, shall be final, without appeal to a court of law." If these three birds had been "wrong-classed" where, may I ask, should they be placed? They were either to be in Class 29, in which class they were judged, or out of the show. There is a suggestion in Mr. Allsopp's letter that the Committee had overlooked the variegated class, and under the circumstances they allowed these three birds to stand. Now I maintain that that is playing the game. It is the unanimous verdict that but for the difference in colour of a few feathers these three birds were the winners. Mr. Houghton, we are told, accepted the decision. Mr. Davis is totally unknown to me, but I am sure he is not coveting mere prize-money. It is the honour of a 1st in such company that attracts him. May I make a sporting appeal to all concerned, viz., seeing that everybody concerned has had a free "advert." in your excellent paper, and you, Mr. Editor, a piece of good copy, we all agree that under the circumstances a liberal interpretation of the schedule be allowed to stand

(Rev.) C. B. Jolliffe.

[The Rev. Jolliffe does us an injustice, though quite unwittingly, we are sure. We most certainly did not express any opinion as to how Mr. Allsopp should have acted. It has never been our policy, nor do we consider it any part of our duty, to "take sides" in, or proffer unasked advice over, matters of this kind, and all we did last week was to state in as few words as possible the strictly legal aspect of the case. Rule 23 was not overlooked by us. But, quite apart from the fact that this was not a decision arrived at *by the committee*, we are of the opinion that even the committee would in a court of law be held not to be entitled to over-ride as they pleased all or any of the rules and conditions of competition laid down by them in the schedule—in contingencies not provided for by the schedule the position would, of course, be different. To avoid any misimpression we may say that we do not suppose for one moment that the committee ever had any intention of so doing—shows that do not abide by the conditions of competition they print can only be accumulating potential trouble.—Editor "C.B."]

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Allsopp, it is quite true I was at the show for two days, and had conversations with himself and the officials, and asked then for incidents and happenings that might interest the readers of Cage Birds, but no information was given to me respecting class 29. Naturally I concluded that the judge had been lenient to the winners. So plainly was the schedule worded that it did not for a minute occur to me the committee had been consulted, and that they had agreed with the judge to accept the three birds as competitors. By the remarks I heard I am afraid I was not the only one who failed to participate in the "common knowledge." Of course my attention was not entirely confined to the Plainheads, and the "knowledge" may have been made public to a select circle when I was not present. Anyway, it would have made no difference, as far as I was concerned, for I should still have considered it my duty to question the right of the winners to compete in the class.

I sincerely hope that neither Mr. Allsopp nor the officials of the Welsh National show think that I wish to find fault. I give the officials credit for running a truly fine exhibition. But had I failed to mention the unusual circumstance of birds winning in a class in which they were not eligible to compete, I should have failed in my duty to the Editor, the exhibitors, and the general readers of Cage Birds.

H. Norman.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Allsopp, I regret being unable to let this matter go, as he seems to think I should do. What other exhibitors in the class do, or think, is a matter concerning themselves only. Speaking for myself, I am determined to have that which is right and just. My exhibit undoubtedly should have won first prize had Mr. Allsopp have "wrong-classed" the three leading birds, which it was clearly his duty to have done. That was the proper and only course he should have taken. There was no need for him to have consulted any other official of the show. If exhibitors enter in a wrong class they know the penalty. I do not expect any leniency from a judge. Mr. Allsopp's action in this matter might have led to more serious trouble, considering there was a cup to be competed for, for the most points in the Norwich class. Perhaps Mr. Crawshaw and Messrs. Greaves and Richards will be good sportsmen and return the prize-money and cards their birds did not win. I must thank Mr. D. Williams for the very sensible view he takes of the case.

Henry J. Davis.

[Two letters, signed "Exhibitor" and "Another Exhibitor," respectively, opposing the course taken by judge and officials, have had to be held over.—Ed.]

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Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.**—(A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)

Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.

Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metealfe and Green, 68, Brunswiek Rd.)

Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.

Oct. 26-28.—**London and P.O.S.**—(H. L. Huggins, 130, Myddleton Rd., Bowes Park, London.)

Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).

Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.

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Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.

Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.

Nov. 13.—**Barnsley C.B.S.**—(E. Toulson, 102, Cope St.)

Nov. 19-20.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., H.W.B.

Dec. 1-2.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingbam.) J.R., J.H.R.

Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 7, Mordaunt Rd., The Avenue, Southampton.)

Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N., A.S., H.J.W.

Dec. 10-11.—**Gateshead C.B.S.**—(W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle).

In the Courts.

Cruelty at Glasgow.

In Glasgow Justice of Police Court, on Jan. 19, before Messrs. Cleland and Gardener, John Anderson, bird dealer, admitted a charge of having, between December 31 and January 4, in his shop, omitted to provide sufficient food and water for two captive birds, a Canary and a Linnet, in consequence of which they died. In respect that this was a second offence he was fined £2, with the option of 20 days' imprisonment.

Colliers Fined at Talgarth.

At Talgarth Police Court, on Jan. 15, W. Richards, Pentrebach, and Richard Morris, Abercanaid, colliers, were charged with unlawfully catching wild birds during the closed season at Talyllyn, on December 15. Defendants admitted the offence. P.C. Caleb Morris said he saw defendants in a field near Talyllyn at 1.30 p.m. They had a net (produced) laid out on the ground, and some birdlime on sticks (produced) close by. Defendants also had five calling birds in cages—three Goldfinches and two Mules. There were four Goldfinches, which had been caught, caged in another part of the field. Richards said they were not making a living by it—only catching a few to breed for themselves.—Inspector Bowyer said that in cases of this kind there was great difficulty in detecting these men and only by chance had this case been secured. The birds of the county were becoming scarce, which was due to the fact that persons came into the district to catch them.

After consultation, the Chairman said cases of this nature were becoming too common in the county, and they were bound to suppress them. Morris gave the wrong name, and he would be fined 30s., including costs. Richards would be fined 20s., including costs. Defendants would have to forfeit the nets and birdlime, and they should have been asked to hand over the calling birds and cages. He advised them to give up this practice.

Club Reports.

HACKNEY, STOKE NEWINGTON.

General meeting Jan. 9. Committee elected: Messrs Atherton, Beard, Dowson, Ford, Hatchett, Jones, Lazell, Saveall, Whalley, Woodget. Decided to discontinue monthly shows, but to have March show, all sections; Sept. show, all sections; October, washing exhibition.—R. W. Ford, junr., Hon. Sec.

LUTON C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Feb. 9. Some usual business was transacted, but it was impossible to fix open show date, as at present all halls are in the hands of the military. Officers elected for the year:—Chair, F. Webb; vice-chair, E. Cherry; treas., Mr. Meadows; committee, Messrs. W. Smith, A. George, J. Letchfield, jun., R. Mayston, F. J. Webb, and G. Bent. Balance-sheet again showed a small increase. Next meeting, Mar. 9, at 4, Red Street, when anyone interested in the cage bird fancy will be heartily welcomed, we are hoping to have on view a silver cup presented for competition at F.F. show.—E. Bloomfield, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

Annual general meeting, Headquarters, Feb. 15, a fair number of members being present, Mr. H. Norman chair. Treas., Mr. Newley, presented balance-sheet for 1914, which showed a cash balance in hand of £5 4s. 10d. This was considered very satisfactory, and a hearty vote of thanks was given the sec. and treas. Decided that the sum of one guinea be given sec. for his services during the past year. The ballot for officers for 1915 resulted as follows:—Pres., Rev. H. A. Soames; vice-pres., Mr. D. Jenkins; chair, Mr. H. Norman; vice-chair, Mr. H. C. Humphries; treas., Mr. R. A. Newley; auditors, Messrs. J. Robson and H. Holden; committee, London, Messrs. B. Green, W. G. Martin, A. G. Snook, P. J. Onslow, E. Pegg, W. E. Plank, F. W. Burton, and E. C. Last; Provincial, Messrs. J. H. Madagan, G. H. Pratt, R. W. Claydon, A. J. Pratt, E. R. Roberts, J. H. Philpott, and G. Gwilliam; sec., Geo. Burton, 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E., to whom all communications should be addressed. We had a very pleasant surprise during the evening, this being no less than a visit from Mr. F. W. Burton, who had arrived from France a few hours previously on short leave. Needless to say, he met with a warm reception, and takes back with him the best wishes of all. The alteration to rule 3 was carried, only two voting against. Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.

Meeting Feb. 25, headquarters, Seven Stars, Wolverhampton, Mr. Willows chair. New members elected: Messrs. S. Norton, H. Appleby, J. Thompson, C. Kimptin, S. Downing, J. Burrowes, T. W. Vincent; there was a good attendance. Messrs. Willows and Cadman brought a few Koller birds, and a very interesting evening was spent. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Messrs. Willows and Cadman.—J. W. Thomson, Hon. Sec.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE (East End)

Meeting Feb. 24, Hall's Cafe, Heaton Road, Mr. McFartling presiding over a good attendance. Mr. Affleck (Newcastle) was elected a member. Decided that we again have a two-days' show and keep our date, Nov. 26 and 27. Other societies please note. Several judges being nominated, Sec. was instructed to write for terms, etc.; selection to be made next meeting. Rules were gone into but for lack of time were left over till next meeting, Mar. 31. Vote of thanks to chair closed the meeting.—J. W. Coutts, Sec.

SCOTTISH CRESTED C.C.

Annual general meeting, 142, High Street, Edinburgh, Feb. 20. Mr. Charles Campbell (President) chair, with a very moderate attendance. Financial statement for past year was submitted, showing a cash balance of £6 17s. 9d., This was considered very satisfactory. Club gold and silver medals were handed over to winners present by Mr. Campbell. The following were admitted to membership: Messrs. R. S. Spence, R. McClement, S. Martin and J. Lister. Vote of thanks to chair brought meeting to a close.—J. Young, Hon. Sec.

GRIMSBY O.S.

Meeting and matched pair show Feb. 25, Slatter's Rooms, Mr. A. Oliver chair, with a moderate attendance. One new member was elected. Nov. Nor., yell. ck. and buff hen, 1, 2, 3, Cotterill. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, H. Towl; 2, 3, Watson. Linnet: 1, 2, Watson. Siskin, etc.: 1, Watson; 2, 3, H. Towl. Greenf.: 1, Watson. Bunting: 1, Watson. Roller singing contest: 1, A. Towl. Mr. A. Towl judged all except Rollers, which was left to the members' vote. Next meeting March 25, Hybrid Pair Show, and it is hoped every member will attend. Any intending member will be made welcome.—J. T. Cotterill, Treas.

WISBECH P.P.R. & C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Institute, Wisbech, Feb. 17. Officers elected: Pres., Dr. Lucas; chair, Mr. G. Ramsdale; hon. sec., C. Ward; assist. sec., A. Clarke, and a committee of 20 members. Accounts for past year were presented by Sec., and passed. A vote of thanks was accorded to those who had kindly given their services for the benefit of the society during the past year. Decided that the entrance fee for non-members be 2s. per entry, and members, 1s.; members thus having a rebate of 1s. The society would be pleased to include in its members any fanciers in the district; subs., 2s. 6d. per annum.—Ward and Clarke, Hon. Secs., Kilmorie, Park Road, Walsoken.

BUCKHAVEN C.B.S.

Meeting, Gardeners' Hall, Feb. 27. Mr. Foster chair. President gave report of League meeting; unanimously agreed that each exhibitor at League show receive an equal share of the balance left. Open show date fixed for Oct. 30. To stimulate interest in the Fancy, the society are now having judging competitions, and fortnightly meetings instead of monthly. Mr. J. Rintoul was final judge for the show, and all members took a great interest in the judging. Mr. W. Low led all the time with a nice pair of Yorkies, and was declared winner. Next meeting Mar. 13, when the competition will be Linnets. Mr. W. Low final judge. We extend a hearty welcome to all "birdy" men to spend a pleasant two hours with us.—G. Paterson.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Meeting Cairn's Memorial Hall, Feb. 16, President Mr. G. Staines chair, and a good turnout of members. A letter in connection with rings was allowed to stand over. Agreed to give ten classes for British and muling pairs at table show in March. Several specials were intimated. Fee 2d. per bird up to three entries and over. Members to hold judging competition after judge's decision, exhibitors free, non-exhibitors 6d. entry. Judges for annual show elected: A. M. Gardiner, Nor.; W. B. Smart, Bord.; G. C. T. Hope, Scotch Fancy; C. Sykes, Brit. and For. Agreed to have the following classes at annual show: Nor. 15, Crests 5, Bord. 19, Scotch Fancy 8, A.O.V. Can. 1, Brit. and For. Section 19. Mule and Hybrid 6. Vote of thanks to chair brought a very successful meeting to a close.—J. C. Charlton, Sec.

SWANSEA C.B.A.

Meeting and annual pair show, Feb. 27, at new headquarters, Mansel Hotel, Oxford Street. Over 60 pairs staged. Judges, Messrs. E. M. Evans, J. W. Ford, who gave satisfaction to all. Nor. Yell.: 1, hc, Geo. Llewelyn; 2, 3, 4, Wm. Mabbet; vhc, hc, J. Slee. Buff: 1, 3, A. Richards; 2, vhc, Geo. Llewelyn; 4, J. Slee; hc, Harris. Yorks Yell.: 1, J. W. Ford; 2, 3, 4, T. J. Williams. Yorks Buff: 1, 2, 4, T. J. Williams; 3, J. W. Ford. Bord. Yell.: 1, 2, 3, J. H. Richards; 4, vhc, E. Hoddinott. Buff: 1, 3, 4, J. H. Richards; 2, vhc E. Hoddinott. Cinn.: 1 2, 3, 4, Phil Jenkins. Green: 1, 3, vhc, J. H. Richards; 2 J. H. Ford; hc, e, Phil Jenkins. Goldf.: 1, Wm. Mabbet; 2, J. Slee. Hyb.: 1, 2, 3, A. Richards. After judging Mr. H. Jenkins gave an address to the new fanciers, who seemed to take a large interest in the show, inviting them to become members to bring back the old society to its former prestige. The following responded: Messrs. Evan Williams, T. Morse, T. Holborow, E. Williams, R. Mabbet, M. Glover, A. E. East, Allison, Fry and Ham. By special request, at next meeting, March 13, at 7.45, Mr. E. M. Evans, well known in Border circles, will give display of washing birds for exhibition purposes. All fanciers are invited, whether members or not. Any fancier caring to bring a bird is requested to do so, and will be taught to wash under expert advice.—Rees and Hitchings, Secs.

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PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Special meeting Feb. 22, Porth Hotel, Mr. J. H. Bevan, chair, with a good attendance after show business, entries for show were taken, and proved very good; Mr. Bevan gave a special in section; Messrs. Greeves and Richard 2s. for best col.-fed bird, and Mr. Challenger 2s. 6d. for most entries, making a total of ten specials. Elected members, Messrs. Greeves and Richards, J. Morgan, and Davies. Decided that double buff and double yellows go in the A.O.V. class. Decided to rescind minute re cup; to come up for consideration next meeting. Now members stick together and see what we can do.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

WELSH C.B.C.

Cup winners for 1914:—Champ. section, Leach Canary Cup. Nor. Cup, and two club medals, G. T. Jones, 36 points; Novice club medal, E. Powell, 23. Will Messrs. Jones and Powell please write me re medals in accordance with show rule 3, on or before 11th inst. I will call annual general meeting as soon as medal question is decided. At annual meeting an alteration to rule 16 will be asked for, viz., that points count as one, or that the rule be struck out. Officers will be elected as per rule 6. A suggestion has been made that the club should form themselves into a Canary club, owing to poor support of British bred fanciers; this also will be placed on the agenda. Will members please refer to rule 2 re subs., and note I shall not stand for re-election?—A. E. Brown.

SACRISTON P.P.R. & C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 6, chair Mr. James Rogers. Messrs. R. Whittaker, J. McKeag, M. Smith, R. Dover, J. Pascy elected members. Decided that members' subs. be paid up by the middle of Oct. as per rule, and that the meetings be held one Sat. at 7, the other at 5.30, to give every member a chance of attending. Messrs. A. Sutherland, J. W. Thurkettle, Wm. Wright, jun., J. Campbell, Johnson, Kell, Jas. Jacobs, M. Archer, J. Nicholson, R. Scones, J. Liddle, T. Liddle, J. George, J. Hird, Wm. Thompson, R. Forster, N. Lawson were elected on committee. Next meeting an egg show for the benefit of the club, and after the meeting the eggs will be given over to the wounded soldiers and sailors hospitals; fee 3d.; prizes 1s., 6d., and 3d. Every member is asked to make one or two entries to go to this worthy cause. Next meeting in Mr. H. Abbott's Tea Rooms, Front Street, March 6, at 5.30. Business important. Dodd and Wilfred, Secs.

GRIMSBY & CLEETHORPES R.C.S.

Meeting Feb. 24, Wilson's Hairdressing Saloon (kindly lent for the occasion). Mr. Rawcliffe presided over a poor attendance. A rough balance sheet was drawn up, showing the club to be in a sound financial condition, and as the working expenses had been so small during the past year it was decided to give the members the benefit of two years' membership for one year's sub., so will members who have paid their subs. for 1914 please note they are fully paid up members for 1915. Annual general meeting is fixed for Mar. 11 at 7 at Adult School, Albert Street. A hearty invitation is given to all Roller fanciers in the district to join, attend the meetings, and take part in the management of the club. Any member joining on or before the annual meeting will be allowed to do so without entrance fee. A good attendance is desired at next meeting for re-election of officers for 1915, balance sheet, etc.—H. Mason, Hon. Sec.

QUEEN'S PARK (Glasgow) C.B.S.

Meeting and matched pairs show, headquarters, Marie Stuart Halls, Feb. 24, Mr. Robt. Heggie chair. There was a good attendance, and two new members admitted. Rules were passed as amended by the committee. At next meeting, March 31, table show of British will be held; classes, Linnets, Lesser Redpolls, Bullf. hen, Bullf. cock, Greenf., Goldf., h.m. or f.m.; entry 2d. per bird. Judge, Mr. R. Jeffrey. A lecture will be given by Mr. A. Maxwell (Partick).

Matched pairs show.—Yell. ck. and buff hen: 1, sp, 2, Hamilton; 3, Stewart; 4, 5, Jeffrey; 6, Knox; 7, A. K. Hunter. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, sp, Jeffrey; 2, sp, 6, Hamilton; 3, McLuskie; 4, 5, Knox. Bord.: 1, sp, 2, sp, Briggs; 3, 4, 6, McAvoy; 5, J. R. Steel; 7, Knox. Muling: 1, sp, McCubbiu; 2, sp, J. R. Steel; 3, 5, Knox; 6, A. Steel. Hyb.: 1, sp, 6, McGavin; 2, sp, 4, Knox; 3, 5, A. Steel; 7, Connelly. Mr. W. Hutchison judged and gave entire satisfaction. A vote of thanks to judge and chair brought the meeting to a close.—E. Holliday.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Annual general meeting St. John's Hall, Feb. 22, with a splendid attendance. Balance-sheet read showing a balance in hand of £1 3s. 3½d.; the sec. and chairman wish to thank all members who have helped to put the club on a sound footing once again. Officers for 1915 elected: Mr. W. Phipps, chair; Mr. T. Harris, vice-chair; committee, Messrs. Riddle, Cripps, Snow, Lear, Huxley, Stevens, Randall, Martin, Patterson, Keary, Springett, and J. Phipps; Mr. Parmiter assist.-sec.; and Mr. Birch, sec. and treas. New members were elected: Messrs. Romer, Havis, and Hollingsworth. Decided to have club rule books for the coming year. Members wishing to advertise in same may do so at the following rates: Whole page, 2s.; half page, 1s.; adverts. to be sent to sec. during the next fortnight. Chairman presented the cups to winners: 1, Lear; 2, Harris; 3, Birch. A cup was also on show, presented by Mr. R. Clouting, for most points by a member throughout the year. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the chairman, assist.-sec., and sec. Pair show Mar. 8, St. John's Hall, 7.30. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. Admission 3d., by catalogue.—Geo. Birch, Hon. Sec.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Meeting and combined show of matched pairs and British, Feb. 23, Amalgamated Musicians Hall. Mr. Thorn, vice pres., presided. Proposed for membership: Messrs. Aitcheson, Ingram, Davidson, and Lovelit. There was a splendid turnout of both birds and members, and the following members contributed specials: Messrs. Thorn, Phillips, Paterson, Gibb, Crawford, and R. Houston. Mr. W. Hutchison judged the matched pairs owing to the unavoidable absence of Mr. McLean; Mr. Watson, British; their awards gave complete satisfaction and a hearty vote of thanks was awarded them. Nor. Yell. Ck. and Buff Hen.: 1, sp, 2, 6, Crawford; 3, 4, P. Houston; 5, Thorn. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, 6, Thorn; 2, P. Houston; 3, 4, sp, 5, 7, Crawford. Yorks. Y. Ck. and B.H.: 1 3, sp, 5, Pinnock; 2, J. Houston, 4, 6, 7, Messrs. Findlay. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, Pinnock; 2, Messrs. Findlay; 3, J. Houston. Bord. Y.C. and B.H.: 1, 2, Wm. Loan. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, 2, Wm Loan. Scotch Fancy, Y.C. and B.H.: 1, 2, sp, Phillips. Goldf.: 1, Manson. Bullf. 1, Manson. Linnet: 1, Wm. Loan. Siskin, etc.: 1, sp, 2, Wm. Loan. Seed Eating Brit. Hen. 1, sp, 2, Wm. Loan. J. Houston, Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting Garner's Restaurant Feb. 24, Mr. A. Hudson presiding over a large turn out, and a most enjoyable meeting, and full of interest, was gone through. Sec. intimated he had secured Mr. Charles Duncan, M.P., as vice pres., also two well known gentlemen of the town as honorary members; this was received with much satisfaction. We have engaged Mr. Stewart, Whitehaven, to judge N.F. show July 10. Nomination money for N.F. must be paid next meeting night, Mar. 10. Washing exhibition will be given by Mr. W. Ireland, and washing competition; this should prove very instructive. Border show of pairs, 17 pairs staged, some well known winners among them. 1, 2, 3, hc, large; vhc, Traustor; c, Willison. Mr. W. Ireland judged, and had a difficult task. Some new members were enrolled, this bringing a very interesting meeting to a close.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN CREST CLUB.

Meeting Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, Newcastle, Feb. 20. Mr. Geo. Simpson presided over a small attendance. Balance-sheet was adopted as read, showing a loss on the year's workings of 1s. 9d., which left a balance of £5 8s. 3d., also two silver cups and one silver medal in hand. The membership is 43, six members being elected in 1914. Officers for 1915 elected: Pres., Mr. F. Maling; vice-pres., F. W. Barnett, W. F. Swan, Thos. Robson, A. Lister, R. W. Dixon, T. C. Crawhall; chair, W. F. Swan; vice-chair, Thos. Robson; committee, Messrs. J. Farrer, J. Riecborough, R. W. Mole, R. S. Bewick, H. McColl, J. W. Coutts, R. H. Newton, Jas Dickinson. Two members were elected: J. McLay (Kirkintilloch), D. McLaren (Dumbarton). Anyone wishing to become a member should apply to me for conditions.—Geo. Dobson, Hon. Sec., 103, James-st., Blaydon-on-Tyne.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

ELVET.

Linnet contest, Black Horse Inn, Elvet, Durham, Feb. 27, 36 birds entered. 1, 2, 3, Walker; 4, Robinson. Judge, R. Wilson. Next contest Mar. 13.—F. McKinley.

TYLDESLEY.

There will be an open contest for time only at Queen's Hotel, Tyldesley, Mar. 13; entrance fee 1- per bird. First pair hung at 2.30. Hoping to see all the old faces again.—J. Litherland, Assist. Sec.—(Advt.)

KIPPAX.

Members sing, Headquarters, Commercial Hotel, Feb. 27. 22 birds entered for four minutes' sing, one minute spring and three minutes bluff. 1st, Wallis; 2nd, Colliuson; 3rd, Wallis; timekeepers, O. Potter and R. Collinson; tappers, A. Cooper and W. Peckin. Some good singing was heard. R. Collinson's bird won biggest break.—R. Plows, Sec.

LEIGH.

Globe Inn Linnet Club.—Members' contest Feb. 27 for time and quality; 25 birds were hung. Time: 1, Wood, 65; 2, Rigby, 53. Quality: 1, Prescott; 2, Cowburn, three minutes' singing. Judges, T. Statham, J. W. Jones; timers, W. Meadows, R. Disley; minute man, Woods. Open contest for time and quality Mar. 20.—Robert Disley, Sec. (Please see notice above re advertisements.—Ed.)

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, open sing, Feb. 27; 35 entered for three minutes time singing. 1, Beard, 87; 2, Nelson, 84; 3, 4, Pugh, 77, 67. Open sing Feb. 28; 34 entered, and some good singing was done. 1, Pugh, 90; 2, Jones, 75; 3, Beard, 55. Mr. Pugh had the honour of doing a 56 break.—S. Pugh, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge St., Feb. 27, four minutes time singing. 1, Morley; 2, Wainwright; 3, Smith. Feb. 28: 1, 2, Wainwright; 3, Morley.—S. Morley, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Commercial Hotel, New St., Linnet Club contest, Feb. 21, 16 members singing five minutes time singing, the winner doing record time. 1, Hardman, 4min. 20sec.; 2, Skivington, 3.16; 3, Hardman, 3.14. Feb. 28: 1, Hardman, 4.16; 2, Skivington, 2.40; 3, Simmons, 2.29.—J. Hardman, Sec.

SWINTON & PENDLEBURY C.B.S.

Contest for Linnets not having won a first prize, Working Men's Club, Pendlebury, Feb. 27. Some good singing was heard. 1, Dixon; 2, W. Jones; 3, Saben. Judges, G. Bates and Winn. Minutes, Almond.—Alex. Donnelly.

LEEDS.

Quality singing, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Bushlingthorpe, Feb. 28; 19 birds competed. 1, Laycock; 2, Binns; 3, Blackburn. Judges, Binns, C. Clayton, and J. Sellars. C. Clayton, Sec.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Feb. 28; 30 best birds in Yorkshire competed, and the singing was beautiful. 1, 3, Johnson; 2, Whitfield; 4, Chippendale. Judges, P. Madden, A. Lorriman; timekeeper, C. Lorriman.—A. Bryan, Sec., Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds.

Linnet contest Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Feb. 27; 21 birds from all over England sang. 1, Johnson; 2, G. Hirst; 3, Ward. Judges, Lacey, Sisson. Feb. 28, 31 entered; the first bird ran like a German Canary; the house was packed with friends. 1, Johnson; 2, J. Chippendale; 3, 4, shared, Hirst and Ward. Judges, Lacey, J. Smith and Sisson. Also a grand Canary contest, with birds from all the Roller clubs in England, before a crowded house. 1, Atkinson; 2, Conliffe; 3, Chadwick. Judges, W. Sisson, A. Richardson, G. Grant. A. Richardson, Sec. (Please write only on one side of the paper.—Ed.)

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CANARY NOT SINGING (W.S.).—It is not possible to give any satisfactory remedy for a Canary not singing without knowing something as to the cause of the condition. It may be due to so many quite different things, and you give not the slightest clue as to which may be affecting your bird. Add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice to its drinking water for three consecutive days, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and four of dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week. Also give two criso young leaves of dandelion every second day, and on the alternate days half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry mixed in it. If this does not have the desired effect in, say, a fortnight, write again, and give full particulars of the bird's condition, and where and how you keep it.

WILL THEY BREED? (T. C.).—Yes, certainly. Canaries will breed if they can see each other. The mere fact that individual birds, or even different pairs, can see each other will not affect their breeding in any way.

SHELLING SEED (J. B.).—Treat as follows for a week or two:—Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of scalded rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and a couple of crisp young leaves of dandelion, or a

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

spray of watercress. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week or fortnight, as may seem necessary.

BREEDING PREPARATIONS (J. J. S.).—The number of hens you require depends upon whether you mate up the birds in cages or allow them to fly at liberty about the room. If you fit up the room with natural branches fixed to the walls, or small bushes in tubs, feeding tables, nesting sites, etc., to turn it into a kind of aviary into which you intend to let the birds fly loose during the breeding season, you may turn in six to eight hens with the two cocks. For this number you should provide not less than a dozen nesting sites. If breeding in cages you may mate each cock with two, or possibly three hens, consecutively, removing him from each hen as soon as she begins to sit and mating him with the next one that is quite ready. Single breeding cages for each of the hens would be the most convenient for this purpose. When all three hens are sitting, cage the cock alone until his services are again required. Both methods are used successfully, but, on the whole, the method of keeping the hens in separate cages and running the cock with one at a time is the most satisfactory. You will find full details about these consecutive matings in the forthcoming "Cage Birds Annual."

TRAINING FOR SONG (J. D.).—Whether a Roller tutor should be kept in a closed song box depends entirely upon the style and quality of its song. Unless it was a much too loud or harsh singer, there should be little necessity for keeping it in a closed box. The answers to your other queries are mostly in the negative, but there is not space to go into the details in this column, so I cannot advise you better than to get Part XVI. of "Our Canaries," wherein you will find the subject dealt with; or look up the back numbers of this paper for the past few months, in which you will find the matter fully dealt with in the articles on the Roller Canary. Briefly, you should not use two or three tutors and change them about at intervals, unless they each have a type of song fairly approximating to the same standard; the tutor, as a rule, is best hung on the same wall as the pupils, the cages of the latter being arranged around it, or them; and there should be no necessity to darken the cages except in special circumstances, such as the youngsters getting wild or too loud in song. Finally, you do not say whether you are referring to birds of last season or the coming one. If the former, then you should know that it is now much too late to properly train the birds. Training should commence before the first moult.

IS IT WORMS? (Always Eating).—It is certainly possible for a Canary to be troubled with worms, but it is not at all probable, and you should not treat it for worms until you have actually demonstrated the pest in the evacuations. The bird is far more likely to be suffering from digestive derangements. Treat it for a month the same as advised to "J. B." in this issue, but add also two drops of cod liver oil emulsion to the bread and milk each time you give it, and give the dandelion daily; or if you cannot get the growing dandelion, give instead a spray of watercress daily and add two drops of dandelion juice from the chemist's to the water on the days alternating with those on which you give the gentian mixture during the latter part of the treatment.

ALMOST BARE (V. H. J.).—Remove the bird to a separate cage and treat it as follows for a few weeks:—Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. In addition, give separately every third day half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape, and on the alternate days give first a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake slightly dusted with flour of sulphur and sprinkled with maw seed, and next a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats, and on these days also add to the drinking water as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice. Give a little green salad four times a week—watercress, dandelion, or chickweed—and allow the bird to bathe freely in mild weather. Continue this treatment for a month at least. Do not mate the bird until the treatment is completed, nor until it is in good plumage again.

SWELLING NEAR TAIL (Crestbred).—Sorry, but it is not possible to give definite advice for amateur treatment of such a case as this with any satisfaction, and without the advantage of seeing the bird. In all probability the swelling is a serous abscess, which would yield readily to treatment by injections of iodine, but this is a course of treatment which can only be carried out by a qualified veterinary surgeon or a medical man who understands the action of the drug. If the bird is a valuable one, this is the course of treatment I advise you to put it under. Otherwise you may try the effect of painting with tincture of iodine every fourth of fifth day for two or three weeks, and add as much Epsom salts as will cover a threepennypiece and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water three times a week during the same period. There is also the possibility of the substance being a tumour, and again this could only be properly or safely excised by a skilled operator. There is no danger whatever to the other birds caged with it, but it would be better to cage it alone for its own benefit, as there is certainly a risk of the other birds attacking it as its condition becomes more palpably abnormal.

NOISY AT NIGHT (H. W.).—The bird is probably suffering from a little catarrh. Keep it in a comfortable place, not necessarily overheated, but free from cold draughts, or extremes of heat and cold. In addition to its staple seed diet, give separately half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana and add to the water five drops each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and three of eucalyptus oil well shaken together. If bird is not quite well in, say, a fortnight, write again, and I will advise you further.

FORWARD HENS (Condition).—Keep the birds well away from the fireplace, in a place where the temperature is fairly equable, but see that they are not exposed to cold direct draughts. In addition to the staple of plain canary seed, give a morsel of some green salad every second day, any kind except dandelion, and twice a week give half a teaspoonful, not more, of egg food, or the equivalent in bread and milk, and twice a week until the end of this month add to the water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence. It would be advantageous to keep the cocks in such a position that the hens cannot see them, and do not allow anything in the shape of nesting material to be about the cages for the time being. If the weather is favourable about the last week in this month, you may risk mating up these birds, especially if the room you intend them to occupy is fairly equable and free from damp. You may remove them there during the first spell of mild weather which occurs now.

ROOM FACING NORTH (E. B. Walt).—Yes, there is a chance of successful breeding, and a good chance, in a room facing north, which gets no sun. As it is light and airy, and keeps fairly equable in temperature, the fact that it does not get direct sunshine is in no sense inimical to success in breeding. Under the circumstances stated I do not advise you to use any artificial heat at all, much less an oil lamp. The best staple food is plain canary seed, or at most a simple mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition to this, you may give the extras frequently detailed in this column, green food four times a week at present and daily in summer, and egg food daily when young are being reared. But as this is too large a subject for this column, you would do well to get a copy of the handbook, "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our manager will send you post free for 7d.

ROLLER AND YORKSHIRE (Novice, G.E.A.).—(1) It is not absolutely necessary to keep a Roller in a special Roller song cage. If kept in a place where they are not subject to cold draughts they do quite as well, and sing as much, or even more, in a box-cage or open wire cage. But in the latter type of cage they are very apt to get too loud, or "wild," in song. Besides, an open wire cage is not to be commended unless it is quite certain that the position where it is kept is quite free from cold direct draughts. (2) Judging from your description I should say there is nothing wrong with the Yorkshire, except that it has become in high breeding condition. Is there a hen in sight? If so, that is the object that has distracted his attention from his song. Stop the mixed seed for the next two or three weeks, give a spray of watercress daily instead of the apple and banana, and add a pinch of Epsom salts to the drinking water three times in the next week. If hanging within sight of a hen remove him to a position where he cannot see her.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

THRUSH NOT SINGING (Irish Fancier).—Are you sure your bird is a cock? Song Thrushes are such precocious youngsters that even those in the open are singing stoutly now. I can hear one as I write, although we have a good deal of snow on the ground. You appear to be feeding it fairly well, and if it does not open out, say, in a month from now, I should give the bird its liberty. I am inclined to think it is suffering from intestinal worms, and would advise you to get some freshly-ground areca nut from the chemist and dust a little on his soft food. Previous to giving this, let the bird have a dose of Glauber salts for one day only, enough to cover a sixpence, in two tablespoonsful of water, then repeat in a week's time.

CAGE OR AVIARY BREEDING? (Abbey).—My own experience is that cage breeding is more reliable than aviary breeding, but as it is certainly more trouble, the results ought to be better. The other side to this question is—Are your hens good ones? They may be naturally bad feeders, in which case they would probably do better in cages than in the aviary, and as there appears to be some doubt about them I would advise you to take out two of the hens and the cock Goldie, or one of the cock Canaries, and try them in cages, leaving the other four hens in the aviary. It is just possible they will all do better next season; a year's flying in the open may make them full of health and vigour; and as a rule healthy birds do well.

FINCHES FOR AVIARY (R. E. C.).—Of the birds you possess the most likely to nest in your aviary would be the Linnets and Greenfinches; you might also try the Bullfinches, although the cock is seldom a successful breeder in captivity; you could also turn in the pair of Buntings if you have room, but not Robins; these would be certain to fight the other inmates, and cause trouble, possibly deaths. Fasten a bundle of heather or gorse up in each corner, and place an old nest or two among it, or even a small box or old cage, and possibly the British birds will take to some of them to nest in. Be liberal with nesting material, such as moss, cow hair, wool, shredded linen and vegetable down. British hens as a rule are not reliable mothers, but if you have no Canaries to act as foster mothers you could give them a chance; occasionally they succeed.

TROUBLE WITH CORN BUNTING ("Annan").—Canary seed is undoubtedly the staple food for Buntings, and this should always be supplied. I would advise you to discontinue the corn screenings, and offer a little maw seed, cracked hemp, and coarse oatmeal. Try him with a few soaked ants' eggs, using new milk, and draining them on a cloth; also give a little good insectile food, laying the ants' eggs on it, then mixing them in, and gradually increasing the quantity. Insects of all kinds should

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

be offered as procurable. The looseness no doubt arises from indigestion, and you cannot do better than give 5 grains of bismuth on bread and milk. You may have a difficulty in getting him to eat the bread and milk, but I would try him by taking away all seed and then sticking some canary on it; in taking the seed he may sample the bread; with a little patience and watchfulness you may succeed.

WHICH CAGE? (Ornito).—I would advise you to use No. 2 cage for your Goldfinch and Canary pair, because you are almost certain to have to shut off the Goldie at some time or other during the season, and if you have to catch him you may seriously disturb the hen. All Finches cannot be trusted with the eggs, and until you know something about him, it is safer to shut him off overnight, when you expect the hen to lay in the morning. If you use No. 2 for them, you can place him opposite his chosen partner as soon as you like, and draw the slide when they are both ready. For future management I would advise you to get one of our books on Hybrid Breeding, or watch the paper for information as the season proceeds.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN IN AVIARY (M. Pruden).—You could keep the birds you mention in your aviary, although I think the two Finches and the hen Canaries would do better without the others. Your aviary is really only a large flight cage, and you would have none too much room for breeding operations, and the less birds are crowded at such times the better.

MULE WITH SKIN TROUBLE (Anxious).—Give the following aperient: Enough Glauber salts to cover a sixpence, dissolved in two table-spoonfuls of water for one day only, then miss two days and repeat. Feed on a little soft food occasionally, say twice a week, and a spoonful of soaked seeds, canary, teazle and rape daily; see that he eats this, if not, take the dried seeds away. Give also sweet apple or any fruit containing acids. Wet the bare places with fresh lemon juice. As the spring advances be liberal with green food, particularly young leaves of dandelion grown in the sun.

LINNET DRINKING EXCESSIVELY (Prestonian).—The Linnet naturally drinks a good deal, but yours evidently takes more than the usual quantity. This is usually a sign of some internal trouble. You give me no idea of your feeding, which may be of such a nature as to cause the looseness and make the bird feverish. Give him first of all a mild aperient, half-teaspoonful of tincture of rhubarb and tincture of gentian in two tablespoonfuls of water; give three times, missing a day in between. Feed on canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts. Offer a spoonful of soaked teazle and rape, and a good pinch of maw seed daily. Sprinkle some of the seed on flannel, keep damp, and place in a warm corner, and give some to him as soon as it commences to germinate. When not giving medicine, let him have boiled water to drink. If you find with this alteration in treatment that there is still some looseness of the bowels, give five grains of bismuth on a little bread and milk daily. I would advise you to get our Nutshell booklet on the Linnet, 2½d. post free from our office, or twopence from your local newsagent.

SEED SAMPLES (C. H. Carter).—The samples sent are of excellent quality, and could be used for birds in your aviary in the following manner. Canary seed 4 parts, teazle 2 parts, and the rape 1 part. Give this as a staple food, and a mixture of equal quantities of the millet in a separate vessel. Just watch the staple food, and if you find the canary disappearing rather quickly, increase the supply, as your Yellow Bunting will possibly feed almost exclusively upon it. In addition to the above, you should procure some good wild seed mixture, and give three times a week, allowing a spoonful to each of the British birds. A little sunflower occasionally will be good for the Bullfinches. The Buckwheat is not usually given to British birds, but I find some of them will eat it if it is first lightly cracked, so that they can easily get at the kernel.

BREEDING WITH MULE (A. Smales).—Generally speaking, Mules are not fertile, although cases have been reported of them breeding with hen Canaries. There will be no harm in your trying, if you have the birds and the necessary accommodation.

BREEDING WITH LINNETS AND GOLDIE.—(A. R. Fox).—I would advise you to pair your Linnets up each to one hen only, and not try to run them with more than one. Occasionally one manages to get a bird that will mate with two or more Canaries, but he is quite the exception. Many of them get quite "chummy" with the hen, and are very attentive to her while she is sitting, but it is as well to keep a watchful eye upon them, for they cannot all be trusted. With your Goldie you can act differently. Place him in the centre compartment of a three-compartment cage, and run him first with the hen that is ready, then shut her off with a wooden partition, and run him with the other hen. In this way you can use him to keep both hens going. It is the usual custom to take a nest of Canaries from the hens before running them with the Finches. In the first place it starts the hen nesting rather earlier, and should you breed a light Mule, you have some young Canaries of the same blood to work up a strain of light muling hens.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

A SINGING FOREIGN FINCH (A. Lodge).—Either of the following would meet your case: Alario Finch, Cape Canary (7s. 6d. to 10s. each); Grey and Green Singing Finch (3s. 6d. to 5s. each). Of course, you must procure a cock bird. Neither Zebra nor Saffron Finches can be accounted song birds; their present value is about 10s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. pair.

BIRDROOM QUERIES (R. McK.).—The arrangement of the bird room figured on your plan should answer very well, and the position of the cages for foreign Finches will be all right so that they can get some sun during the course of the day. I do not, however, consider the cages high enough; I should advise you to so arrange matters that these cages may have a minimum height of from 18 to 20 inches. The screened ends for nesting should answer well. The window to open as ventilator should not be in position in which you show it, but right up against the ridge. You can easily work it by cords and pulley. Budgerigars, White Java Sparrows, and Cutthroats should breed in your cages, and the Cordon Bleus ought to. Zebra Finches, Silverbills, Bib Finches, and Magpie Mannikins ought certainly to do so. Orange-cheek Waxbills, Avadavats, Gold-breasted Waxbills may breed, but they are shy breeders in captivity.

BREEDING QUAIL (Mrs. Cole).—Almost any species of Quail about the same size as the one you have would cross with it. If you write to some of our principal advertisers you will doubtless get what you require, but I think you are more likely to get one of its own kind than other species: either the Rain or Harlequin Quail would be likely to readily cross with it, but I doubt your being able to obtain the latter species at the

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Aradavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

present time. If you get any young chicks hatched out, you must supply ants' eggs, gentles, live ants' eggs, and insectile mixture, but they will soon learn to pick up seed.

WHAT PARROT? (H. Dixon).—It is a male Ring necked Parrakeet. Fill the food vessel up each morning and renew the supply again in the afternoon if necessary. Most Parrots bathe; when they are tame they are usually allowed to do this outside the cage, but if yours refuses to do so it must be lightly sprayed once a week in winter and oftener in summer, and you must keep it strictly out of reach of draught till the plumage is dry again. Newly imported birds can be bought for a few shillings, but an established bird in good feather and a good talker will fetch three or four pounds.

DOUBLE-FRONTED AMAZON (Hilda Merritt).—Bathe the wound with tepid water so as to cleanse it; dry with a soft cloth and then lightly anoint with a little boracic ointment, but do not use sufficient to run among and grease the plumage. Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water, and twice a week put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water, but not on the same day as you give the magnesia; you must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. You say nothing about its diet; this should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, dry crusts and biscuits. Grit, cuttlebone, water, and wood to cut up should be continually in the cage. When cleansing the wound, if it contains humour exude this by gentle pressure with the sponge or cloth you use for cleansing it. Do not give tea, coffee, or milk sop, table scraps, nor any kind of animal food whatever.

GREY PARROT (Mrs. Flood).—You had better let a vet. see the bird; he could probably remove the growth straight away or lance it and give immediate relief. If you cannot do this, then prepare the following sop:—Put several pieces of stale household bread in a small dish, sprinkle with sugar, put on the bread half a teaspoonful of cod

liver oil emulsion; then pour over it as much boiling water as the bread will absorb and supply to the bird when cool. Also keep up a supply of the food you are now supplying dry. Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. You must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Put a little honey and borax into its mouth twice a day. Only a vet. can advise you as to whether it should be destroyed, but I should certainly try the treatment for a few days. Of course, it would be better to destroy it than let it slowly starve, but if it will eat the soft food fairly well there is still a chance for it. Keep it warm.

VIRGINIAN CARDINAL (Enquirer).—Both names refer to the same bird. The male bird has the bright areas rich scarlet and the whole of his plumage more or less suffused with the same colour. The female is ruddy-brown, and the brightest areas of her plumage are brick-red.

WHAT IS IT? (A. L. Haynes).—(1) It is a cock Madagascar (sometimes called Grey-headed) Lovebird. (2) Yes. (3) Canary, white millet, a few oats, green food, grit, cuttlebone and water. (4) No. They are frequently kept together, but if your small aviary is an indoor Crystal Palace type cage there might be trouble, but not otherwise. (5) The hen is various shades of green and lacks the grey head of the male.

PARROT—WHAT KIND IS IT? (Novice, W. A. R.).—Either a Grey, Blue-fronted Amazon, or a Ring-necked Parrakeet would answer your purpose, providing you secure a really tame talking bird and do not make your purchase till you have tested it. Better pay more and get a bird locally than a cheap bird from a distance that is not satisfactory. My reason for obtaining locally is that you can see and personally test before concluding purchase. Replies per post are only given under the conditions stated in the rules applying to this column. I am rightly not allowed to recommend any special tradesman. You must consult our columns and write to any of those who advertise what you require. Note: A parrot at a very low figure will be either a newly imported specimen or quite untrained.

HALF-MOON CONURE (Psittacus).—(1) I have heard of and once saw a Half-moon that talked a little, but such is not the rule with this species. All Parrakeets have the power, and talking individuals occur among all those usually classed as non-talkers. (2) Yes, and though at present I do not think they have been bred (speaking without reference), there is no reason why they should not. I should most certainly class all Parrakeets, whether they have previously been bred or not, as probable breeders. (3) Not necessarily, yet it would be better to rub in some insect powder over the parts affected. (4) The cage is a bit small, but Green Budgerigars have been reared in one no larger. It is no use giving Budgies flat bottomed nest boxes; boxes must have concave bottoms, but a husk is the best, or a small barrel, but either of the two latter would occupy much space in so small a cage.

PARROT ILL (S. Massingham).—Put this bird into the warmest quarters you can find for it. When a bird will not take medicine in the ordinary way you must give it direct to the beak, in doses of 3 drops twice daily. Do not give the egg and milk, but try it with the following sop: Stale bread, half a teaspoonful cod liver oil emulsion, one teaspoonful of sugar, and as much boiling water as the bread will absorb. This should keep it going till it will eat its seed mixture again. If it needs a stimulant give a little very weak brandy and water, of which it can be allowed to take a few sips at intervals during the day. Warmth will do as much, if not more, than medicine for this bird, and some means should be taken to keep the temperature of the room in which it is kept as near the day temperature as possible. If it will eat neither the sop nor the seed then give it liquid food only for a time, viz., thin arrowroot made with milk and the daily portion containing half a teaspoonful of the cod liver oil emulsion, but the first named sop will be the better, or you can try both. Shall be pleased to hear how the bird progresses.

BUDGERIGARS (A. M. Cook).—It would be better to take out the pine branches, though I do not think these can be the cause. If you can get some twiggy branches, such as are made up into faggots for sticking peas and beans, these would meet the case, as also would privet branches, or branches from any kind of fruit trees. It possibly may have been the metal, but such irregularities as you refer to occur in almost every roll of netting, and I have never met with a case I could trace to such cause. A little niger seed among their mixture would do no harm, however, I doubt if they would eat it. Possibly the moss might have been the cause. Syrup of phosphates and chemical food are similar preparations; you can use either. To be quite on the safe side, remove the pine boughs, and put in fresh ones of another kind. The apple is quite wholesome. Treat the birds as advised in our previous reply, and the remaining birds, if infected from the same cause, may recover.

BREEDING BUDGERIGARS (J. H. Scott).—The photo is too dense to give me much of an idea of your arrangements; but unless your county is a northern one it should suffice for such hardy birds, though its great fault seems to be the lack of depth. While our winter is the Budgerigar's breeding season in its native country, it breeds here all the year round, and young hatched during the inclement months are often not reared, or when success is attained are but weaklings compared with those that follow. There is only one way to stop them breeding, and that is to separate the sexes, and you apparently have no convenience for that, so leave them as they are and you may reasonably hope for luck to come your way in the spring. I think perhaps you might risk disturbance, and if there are no freshly laid eggs in the nest, or if there be a full clutch of five or more, then remove all birds till end of March. The Tovi Parrakeet is not much larger than the Budgerigar, but stouter in the body; it belongs to the genus *Brotogerys*. It is pleasingly coloured, plumage is of various hues of green, with a little yellow on the front of the head, and a brown beak.

YELLOW-RUMPED SEEDEATER, ETC. (Miss Topping).—The Yellow-rumped Serin or Seedeater would be best mated with a Canary; choose a smallish variety, not a great deal larger than the Serin, and I should advise putting the birds together at once, though not supplying them with a nest-box till end of March. As regards the Grey Java Sparrow, you could pair this with a White Java, the resulting young would be mostly Grey Javas, of a lighter and more pleasing tone of colour than the imported Grey, and a small percentage of pied birds, the latter being very handsome as a rule. If you want a more distinct cross, then try either the Magpie Mannikin or Cut throat; the latter cross has been reared at least once previously, though two [illegible] in my aviary have not produced any young during the last two seasons. I consider colour-feeding would be wasted in both cases.

BREEDING CUTTHROATS (M. B.).—Yes, the birds you describe are Cutthroats, also known as Ribbon Finches. I am assuming that your query refers to keeping them in a cage. Get a box cage not less than 24in. long, 12in. deep and 18in. high, fix a twiggy branch at each end, and behind each branch put up a rush or coco-nut shell nest and supply hay; moss and fresh grass as building material. When young are hatched, you must supply, in addition to the usual seed diet, soft food, dry ants' eggs, and a few live insects, such as mealworms, gentles, and live ants' eggs; if you have a garden, smooth caterpillars, small beetles, flies, spiders, etc., can all be offered as obtainable. Also green food (flowering and seeding grass and other weeds) must be given fresh twice daily, and leave the birds fairly quiet, and do not disturb them more than feeding and cleaning necessitates.

SEXING NUNS AND JAVA SPARROWS (Amateur).—The difference between male and female in all three species is not great, and only close observation reveals it. As regards both Grey and White Java Sparrows, the female is slightly smaller and slimmer, her skull is narrower, and her beak also narrower at the base, and more wedge-shaped than that of the male. The same distinctions apply largely to the Tri-coloured Mannikin, with the addition that the plumage of the hen is much less bright, the glossy black of the male is more dead black in the female, and the cinnamon on the back is also of a less intense hue. However, the distinctions have to be looked for, and only apply to adult birds.

WHITE COCKATOO (Mrs. Stewart).—In addition to seed offer it various nuts, ripe fruit (any kind it will take), stale crusts, plain cake, and biscuits. Also supply continuously grit (not sand) and cuttlebone. Put it on a regular course of Dinneford's Magnesia and syrup of hypophosphates, one teaspoonful of the former and half a teaspoonful of the latter—not both on the same day, but give the latter on the days you do not supply the former. Give the magnesia every other day till the bowels have been well cleared, then lengthen the period till they become normal; the motions should be quite free, yet without undue looseness. Continue this treatment for a couple of months at least. I should also put a little honey and borax into the mouth daily, using up the contents of a penny box should be sufficient. If the bird will take sponge cake or stale bread, give several pellets daily in the centre of which you have put one drop of cod liver oil emulsion. Spray the bird lightly once or twice a week with tepid water, and anoint the sores with a little clean vaseline, but you must not use sufficient to run among and grease the plumage, or this will cause the bird much discomfort. Offer a little boiled maize (only keeps fresh one day); boil till soft, drain off all water, drop over it half a dozen drops of cod liver oil emulsion and when cool supply to the bird. Report progress in about one month.

AMAZON PARROT (W. A.).—Give at once three drops of tasteless castor oil direct to the beak. Twice daily put a little honey and borax into its mouth, from the end of a stick or some similar means, but only a clean stick or other utensil must be put into the mixture. So long as you are compelled to give sop, add a little cod liver oil emulsion to same. Get the following mixture: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts; for use take one teaspoonful of the mixture and add three of water—this can serve as the drinking water if it will so take it, if not, then you must give a few drops direct to the mouth two or three times a day for a week. While it has difficulty in swallowing hard seed supply a little boiled maize (only keep fresh one day); boil till soft, but the corns should remain whole, drain off all water and allow to soak in half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion, and then supply to the bird. Keep it in your warmest room and where the night temperature will not be too low. You had better write again in seven days, giving full details of its condition and I will try and help you further.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. M.—You cannot be compelled to sell the bird if no money passed (or anything else in the nature of a "legal consideration," either at the time its purchase was being discussed, or since.

Anxious to Know.—If the birds has one sound eye, no action could possibly be taken against you. Further, we take it that there are people of your acquaintance who could speak as to the circumstances under which the bird lost the missing eye.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Station Cafe, 8. "Breeding cage to show bench," by Mr. Vernon.—C. Leah.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Mar. 11, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.30. Questions and hints on breeding, by members.—E. Johnson.

Barnsley C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Selection of judge for open show and other business.—E. Toulson.

Birmingham South O.S.—Mar. 10, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.30. Lecture by Mr. T. Burke.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Mar. 9, Joiners' Arms, 8. Very important business.—J. Kilshaw.

British Roller C.C.—Mar. 9, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 7.30.—J. W. Norris.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Mar. 8, Church Institute, 69, Paddington-st., 8. "How to make £100 a year," by Mr. F. J. Martin; interested visitors warmly welcomed.—V. Wynn.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 8. Balance-sheet of pair show; presentation of medals; discussion on egg food, etc.—W. D. Fryett.

Derwent Valley C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, 7. Table show: Ner. (Hen), Geldf., Siskin, Redpoll or Twite, A.O.V. Finch or Bunting.—Jameson and Johnson.

Denton C.B.S.—Mar. 9, Silver Spring, 8.—W. Redfern.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Mar. 8, Headquarters, 6.30. Table show, singles and pairs; judging at 7; visitors free.—J. Alderslade.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Black Swan, 6.30. Fixing up show dates and judges.—A. Walton.

East Ham F.S.—Mar. 11, Earl of Wakefield, 8. Rules, fixtures for year, etc.—W. A. Harwood.

East Ham C.B.S.—Mar. 11, Town Hall. Judging competition and general business, 8. Final judge, W. L. Taylor.—F. Onslow.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Mar. 6, Fountain Inn, 6. Annual supper and prize distribution and social evening; a hearty welcome given to all; supper 1s. each.—S. Wilcock.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Show business, selecting judge, etc.—W. Dawson.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Headquarters, 8. Interesting meeting; questions regarding pairing, feeding, etc. Fanciers please attend.—W. Curry.

Glasgow and W. Counties N.P.H.C.—Mar. 6, 122, Ingram-st., 6.30. Show of four classes: Muling and Hybrid pairs and other business.—J. H. Adam.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—Mar. 8, Show (all sections) Amethyst Club, Church-st.; judge, G. Soames. Members requested to support the egg classes; all eggs given to the National Egg Collection for our wounded.—R. W. Ford, jun.

Halifax O.S.—Mar. 6, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Open discussion on pairing and breeding, opened by a noted exhibitor, a good turn up requested.—H. Clegg.

Huddersfield O.S.—Mar. 6, White Hart Hotel, 7. Monthly table show, birds staged 2.15, four classes; judge, G. Bray, Holmfirth; meeting at 7.—A. Lawford.

Jarrow, Hebburn C.B.S.—Mar. 11, Victoria Hotel, 7.30. Prize-money and general bus.—W. Ayers.

Keighley C.B.S.—Mar. 9, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Show business and new members.—C. W. Town.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Members having subs. and ticket money for show are requested to bring them in to close account for audit.—D. John.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Mar. 6, Newmarket Hotel, Shudehill, Manchester, 6.30. General meeting; election of officers; balance sheet; annual social.—J. Rukin.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Mar. 7, Lockhart's, 7.30. Club business and date of annual show.—H. Best.

Leeds C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Lockhart's Briggate (next door Hope Bros.), 7.30. Balance-sheet for 1914; table show of pairs; judges, Messrs. W. Hornby and C. E. Hall.—E. Norton.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Headquarters, 8. Members and friends please attend.—J. R. Windle.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Mar. 11, Oldham Hall, 8. Interesting lecture on "Ailments of young birds," by Mr. W. R. Knowles; local fanciers heartily invited.—T. R. Jones.

Loanhead C.B.S.—Mar. 13, Masons' Arms, 7.30. Booking of hens and nomination of judges for annual show.—W. B. Smart.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Mar. 6, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st., E.C., 8. Lecture on Canary breeding by Mr. J. Robson; visitors will receive a hearty welcome.—W. Gilbert.

Morpeth and Dis. C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Earl Grey Hotel, 7.30. Important bus.—W. Summers.

Newsham C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Willow Tree Inn, 7. Election of officers.—C. Snowdon.

Northern British M.F.B.C.—Mar. 6, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Table Show, Linnet, Greenf., Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, A.O.V., Mule, For.; fanciers invited.—W. Curry.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Mar. 9, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. Election of chairman. Fixing of show dates, etc.—J. G. Royce.

Oldham C.B.S.—Mar. 16, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. British table show. Fanciers attend.—J. Cope.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Clubroom, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Gen. bus., subs. due.—A. W. Newton.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—Mar. 11, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road, 8. Questions and answers; fanciers welcomed.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Redcar C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Crown and Anchor Hotel, 7.30. General monthly meeting; prize-money for pair show will be paid; new members cordially invited.—W. Boagey.

South London Col. and F.A.—Mar. 11, Headquarters, 7.30. General meeting.—G. Burton.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Mar. 11, Wharfe Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers; Y.U. business, etc.; important.—G. Mitchell.

Springburn, Possil Park C.B.C.—Mar. 10, 8. Show of Brit., Linnet, Mealy Redpoll, or Twite. Lesser Redpoll, Bullfinch Hen, A.O.V. Brit. Hen.—J. Waugh.

St. James-the-Less F.A., Bethnal Green.—Mar. 15, Men's Club, St. James-rd., 8.30. "A chat on rabbits," by Mr. H. Castle.—F. E. Adams.

S. Shields C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Cyprus, 7. Arrangements for smoker.—W. L. Smith.

Tong C.B.S.—Mar. 9, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.30. Selecting judges for Yorks. Union.—W. Walker.

Wandsworth F.S.—Mar. 11, Sutton's Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, 8., to clear up arrears of necessary business.—W. Lightfoot.

Walkley C.B.S.—Mar. 11, Westmorland Street Mission Hall, 8. Egg food-making competition. 2s. 6d. added to 3d. entry, own materials; fanciers invited.—C. Tomlinson.

Wallsend-Mid-Tyne C.B.A.—Mar. 10, Station Hotel, 7. Important business; judge for show; new members invited. G. Greenwell.

Walton, Everton C.B.S.—Mar. 10, Headquarters, 8.30. Lecture by J. W. Metcalfe. General management during breeding season.—Roberts and Robinson.

West of Scotland O.S.—Mar. 6, Nelson Temp. Hotel, 7.30. Usual monthly meeting; classification; election judges; annual show.—W. Hutchison.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Com. Hotel, 7.—W. Elliott.

Wigan C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Legs of Man Hotel, 8. Final arrangements of rules for cup points; very important.—E. Ball.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Horse and Groom, 6. Annual tea and presentation of prizes, tea on table at 6; all fanciers welcome; 6d. each.—W. Chapman.

Windhill C.B.S.—Mar. 6, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Balance-sheet for tea and social; classification for members' show; Union judges, etc.; those owing subs. for 1911 please pay at once.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wood Green F.A.—Mar. 9, Adult School, High-rd., 8.30. Meeting and show.—T. Callegari.

Yorks. Union of C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Market Tavern. Annual general meeting and prize distribution. Full announcement later.—H. Hill.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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H. H. TOWERS

Winner Cinnamon-marked £10 10/- Competition, etc., and at all the leading shows; must reduce stock preparatory to breeding; some excellent pairs, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and upwards; speciality, cinnamon-marked hens, the kind to introduce quality and feather into your room; on approval, cash or deposit; note new address: 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

EXCEPTIONAL OFFER

Yorkshire buff cock, capped marked, bred 1913, winner of many firsts and specials, 30/-; yellow hen to match, 12/6; clear unflighted buff cock, winner, and yellow hen, 40/-; buff cock and unflighted marked yellow hen, 15/-; yellow cock, buff hen, unflighted, 25/-; also a few grand buff and yellow hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6 each; all bred from the best strains obtainable in Bradford; give me a trial; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: J. McTurk, 19, Bright-st., Old Trafford, Manchester. (131)

H. SMITH, WIMBLEDON

Yorkshires, splendid stock birds, for sale, cheap; yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, pairs from 12/6; approval: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

YORKSHIRES; large yellow cocks; seen any time; price reasonable; guaranteed healthy; see them and judge for yourself.

YORKSHIRES. Are you looking for cocks or hens? I have a number for sale cheap, and if you will give me a trial will do my best to suit you. Cocks from 8/6, hens from 5/6: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (73)

Various Canaries.

OUTDOOR aviary Canaries, good colour, healthy, young, cocks, 5/-, hens 2/6: Lambert, Hadlow, Kent. (154)

SIX hens, various 1914 birds, accept 15/- lot, good healthy birds, worth double: Dawson, 689, Duke-st., Glasgow. (156)

STILL a few good songsters left, must be sold, 5/6, 6/-; also hens: Atkins, 5, Pleasant Terrace, Intake, Sheffield. (134)

PAIR Crest and Crestbred Norwich, 10/-; pair Norwich, 5/6; pair pure Randall Rollers, 10/6: Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridgwater. (129)

TYPICAL yellow cocks, unflighted, two 7/6, one 10/-; buff ticked hen, 6/6: Bonniwell, 63, St. Quintin-avenue, North Kensington. (134)

HADFIELD'S (deceased) stock of noted Canaries, 35 in all; best offer for lot, or separate: Hadfield, 66, Higher Bury-st., Heaton Norris, Stockport. (121)

POTTER, Walker-st., Hull, can spare unflighted yellow cock, good size, 20/-; also few typical yellow and buff hens, 6/6 to 10/6; cup winning strain. (144)

WILL exchange three large healthy Norwich hens or good matched pair Norwich for two cock Mules in full song; mutual approval: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (54)

BUY from the breeder, 30 typical Norwich Plainheads, from 10/-; matched pairs, also winning Cinnamons; approval, deposit: Wm. Cook, 66, Kitchener-rd., Ipswich. (103)

GOOD opportunity for beginners; double breeder, 36in. long, pair of Canaries, Barns' and Ogden's strains, 17/6; also odd cocks and hens: Apply, 10, Thompson-rd., Sheffield. (133)

HAVING selected my pairs of breeding Canaries, have one cock and two hens to spare, grand birds, will sell together or separately: Collins, 36, Somerset-rd., Knowle, Bristol. (159)

GOOD bred Yorkshires, variegated, and nicely marked cocks, 7/6, hens 3/6; also clear Norwich, grand birds, cocks 10/-, hens 4/6; in one lot, cheap to clear: Jenkins, Raglan House, Ross. (133)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock, yellow variegated, grand singer, 2 hens, buff and yellow, one light Muler, 3 cages, 2 single breeders, new, £1, or birds separately: Mason, 5, Lyndhurst-gardens, Glasgow. (136)

GENTLEMEN, do you want good stock birds; if so, give us a trial. Having purchased Mr. Pepper's stock of champion Norwich we can offer you grand pairs from 15/- the pair. We have also a few good Yorkshires left from our winning strain from 10/6 the pair; on approval; cash or deposit: G. Gilson and Son, East Hull Aviaries, 177, Holderness-r., Hull. (140)

SOMETHING OUT OF THE COMMON

and on a full week's approval. Special songsters, Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 3d.; approval. Remember: There are songsters and songsters: W. Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

The Canary King's

champion strain of England; we are winners of 25 silver cups, 100 medals, and 4,000 money prizes, during this last 35 years; pair well matched Norwich and Yorkshires, 10/6, 12/6, up to £3 per pair; Norwich hens, grand natural colour, 3/6; yellows and buffs, also good muling hens, 3/6 each; colour-fed hens, unflighted buff and yellow hens, from 5/- up to £3; yellow and buff cocks, fit to show, from £1 to £3; Crest and Crested cocks and hens, at marvellous cheap price; we hold the largest stock of anyone in Norwich and London; in fact, the largest in the British Isles; we are the largest buyers of surplus stocks in Great Britain; our annual sale 20,000 birds; note the address: Howard and Sons, 77, Pitt-st., Norwich, and 1, Selater-st., Bethnal Green, London.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

PINK-EYED Hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each; 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

WANTED, Mules in full song: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-70, Selater-st., Shoreditch.

EIGHT Goldfinch Mules, as bred, about 5 cocks, £1, offer; deposit: Hicks, 11, Prospect place, Doncaster.

FOUR Mules, two muling Linnets, and few big yellow Norwich hens; no dealers: Gaygan, 17, Pine-st., Salford. (131)

GOOD muling Linnet 4/6 or exchange for yellow hen Canary: Dair, 7, McGregor's-buildings, Guardbridge, Fife. (132)

SIX large cock Goldfinch Mules 7/6 each; 3 hens, 1/3 each; approval; deposit: Sawbridge, Richmond-rd., Leicester. (109)

A FEW light or dark Mules for sale or exchange for H.M. Siberian Goldfinch: Finlayson, 6, Irwell-terrace, Salford. (156)

TWO cock Linnet Mules, 15/- each; Goldfinch Mule, 10/-; a bargain: William Anderson, 11, Colebrooke-st., Cambuslang, Glasgow. (147)

BREEDING Linnet and his hen, bred Mules last season, nice pair, ready to nest, reliable, 7/6: Williams, 2, Thomas-st., Tonypandy, Glam. (147)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules; will give 6/- each for cocks, 1/- each hens; approval, deposit: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. (143)

BULLFINCH hen, certain muler, feeds from hand, 4/-; also cock, real pet, needs no cage, white flights, grand colour, 4/-: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (143)

COCK Linnet Mule, variegated cock Goldfinch Mule, 7/6 each, full song; or exchange for large Norwich hens: Stevens, 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdare.(142)

GIVING up; light Mules, from 12/6 to £5 each; cages, aviaries, etc.; state wants (stamp).: F. G. Bartlett, 32, Royal York Crescent, Clifton, Bristol. (133)

YELLOW Siskin Mule, first Hamilton, first Kilmarnock; exchange exhibition Goldfinch, housemoulted: Steel, 197, St. Andrews-rd., Pollokshields, Glasgow. (140)

GENUINE Sibs., no rubbish, 1914 buff hens, 10/- each; 2 deep yellow hens, guaranteed, have bred light Mule, fit show, 20/- each: Rowley Elston, Crediton. (138)

SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heatheote's Aviaries, Leicester.

HOUSE-MOULTED muling cock Goldfinch, with hen Canary, 7/6; field-moulted cock Goldfinches, with hen Canary, 5/6: Jones, Vine Cottage, Bagillt, Flintshire. (141)

COCK Greenie, breeder, and clear yellow unflighted Norwich, 6/-; hand-reared hen Greenie, 2/-; approval: Hepwood, Police Office, Albrighton, Wolverhampton. (140)

LARGE pink-eyed sib-bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, yellows 7/6, buffs 5/6; cocks, full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (32)

WHITE-LEGGED Goldfinch, and clear yellow Sib. hen, 17/6; hen worth more, as she bred two even-marked light Mules this season: Bird, 1, Orchard-st., Weston-super-Mare. (146)

COCK Goldfinch, winner, proved muler, 15/-; another, to moult, 15/-, 25/- the two; 1914 buff Scotch Fancy cock, singing, 5/-; Roller hen, Randall's strain, 4/6; approval: Porteous, Westend, Biggar. (131)

HYBRID pairs; cock Bullie, hen Greenie, cock Greenie, two years old Cheveral hen Chaffinch, tame, lot 10/-; or exchange pair Canaries or good Roller cock; yours first; approval: Lyons, Corbally, Limerick. (131)

GENUINE cage-moulted Muling cock Goldfinch and yellow Norwich hen, 12/6; grand singing cock Mules from above pair, 7/6 and 10/6 each; approval, deposit: Wm. Cook, 66, Kitchener-rd., Ipswich. (145)

SOME good muling hens, Canaries, 1913, 1914, ready for breeding, cold-room, 3/-, 3/6; Goldie Mule cock, full of colour, 5/6; cock Linnet, singing, buff Sib. hen, 1913, 4/-; exchange: Richards, 18, Margaret-st., Exmouth. (142)

THREE Linnet Canary cock Mules, 5/- each, or 14/6 the lot; one Goldie Mule hen and five Linnet Mule hens, 1/- each; H.M. Chaffinch cock, 1/6, or 7/- the lot; cash or deposit: Robert Williamson, Cellardyke, Anstruther. (143)

TEAM four exhibition British Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Linnet, Redpole, all H.-moulted, and won in champion classes; 4 new show cages and case, 60/- the lot, or exchange light Mule: Jeffreys, 17, Norfolk-st., Swansea. (134)

SMART muling Goldfineh, proved, grand colour and condition, extensive rich blaze, with Cinnamou marked hen, 10/6; H.M. Linnet, with Norwich hen, 5/-; wanted yellow Norwich cock: Carrington, Tailor, Hitchin. (132)

MULE breeders, grand, twice house-moulted cock Linnet, variegated hen, bred Mules last year; 1 hen Mule, lot 5/6; exchange best offers; no live stock; stamp; bargain: Aikens, Ellenborough, Maryport, Cumb. (133)

HOUSE-MOULTED Hybrid and muling pairs for sale cheap, also H.M. cock Greenfinch muler, 3/-; H.M. cock Linnet muler, 4/-; yellow Sib.-bred hen, 3/6; exchange anything useful, jewellery: Collins, 57, Wood Green, Wednesbury. (145)

DALE'S noted Sibs., best light muling strain in existence, two best yellow hens in fancy, 12/6 each; very large Crestbred hen, and grand cock Linnet, 5/- pair; very large even-marked Lancashire hen and cock Linnet, beauty, 5/- pair: Barnard, 15, Back-lane, Barking. (137)

TWO young Goldie cock Mulee, yellow and buff, large and extra good colour, both really good show birds, 10/- each, worth double; also one of the best breeding Finches ever offered, very large and extra good colour, can win, 15/-, cheap at 20/-; approval: Wm. Bowyer, Gladstone-st., Leek, Staffs. (145)

HOUSE-moulted cock Goldfinch, picked for muling, 5/-; Canary-reared hen, 2/6; hybrid pairs, caged since August, cock Goldie, hen Bullie, 5/6; cock Goldie, hen Greenie, 5/-; cock Linnet, hen Bullie, 4/-; cock Goldfinch-Bullfinch hybrid, £3; cock Redpoll, not better one living, 5/6; hen laid in cage, 2/6: Wm. Leeson, Montague-st., Rushden. (141)

MULES WANTED

Wanted, any quantity Goldfinch or Linnet Mule cocks; will deposit cash with Editor: H. Gledhill, Fleet Lane, Queensbury, Bradford.

Special! Special!! Special!!!

Finest lot of muling hens in England; on approval; for light or dark Mule breeding with Goldfinches, Linnets, Siskins, Greenfinches, etc.; on approval with pleasure; 2/6, 3/6, 5/, 7/6; cage, 3d.; fine lot of exhibition and singing light and dark cock Mules, exceptionally cheap; state wants: Rndd, Specialist, Norwich.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

AMAZON Parrot, large square cage, and adult Budgerigars: 136, Sutton-rd., Southend. (130)

SCARLET Weaver bird, brilliant colouring, very attractive, 5/-: Mrs. Gott, Wentwood, Leeds. (966)

ADELT Budgerigars, outdoor, 4/6; 2 pairs 8/-: Hall-, Claremont, Cotnard, Sudbury, Suffolk. (129)

COULDIAN Finches, wanted hens, also wanted cock Zebra Finches.—Hebb, Brooklea, Downs, Luton, Beds. (134)

EXHIBITION pair of yellow Budgerigars, champion breeders, 15/-: S. H. Davies, 32, New-rd., Llandilo. (132)

FOUR pairs breeding Budgerigars, 5/- pair; or exchange two pairs for gold medal; offers: Broadbent, James st., Thornaby. (144)

PAIRS, Peach-faced Lovebirds and Melba Finches, prices reasonable: James Yealland, 46, Roderick-rd., Hampstead, London. (146)

FINE pair Californian Quails, in breeding condition, 12/-; approval: Curtis, North Hill Aviaries, Oundle, Northamptonshire. (131)

GREEN Budgerigars, breeding condition, 4/6 pair, cocks 2/- each; cock Cockatiel, exchange hen: H., 192, Worple-rd., Wimbledou. (65)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoor, finest possible, 5/- pair; selected breeders, 6/-; yellows, 8/-: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (134)

TALKING Parrot, and cage, for sale, 25/-; or exchange anything useful: Gear, Rose Cottage, Library-rd., Parkstone, Dorset. (135)

SPLENDID talking hare-eyed Cockatoo and cage, very tame, sell £2; exchange small foreign Cockatiels: Eaves, East Cliff, Lytham. (136)

THREE Sydney Waxbills, two hens and one cock, 27/6; hen Pectoral Finch, 12/6; wanted cock Siskin: R. Colton, Birkendale-rd., Sheffield. (132)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoor aviary, breeding condition, very tame, cocks 2/6, hens 3/-, 5/- pair: Simpson, Westbourne, Avenue-rd., Isleworth. (136)

KING African Grey Parrot, full wings and tail, show plumage, speaks, whistles, mimics, huger tame, 57/-: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham.

BUDGERIGARS, green, bred and reared in outside gardeu aviary, splendid feather and condition, approval, 3/- each: Austin, Brownville, Dalbeattie. (143)

WANTED, the following odd birds: White-headed Nun, Chestnut-breasted Finch, also hens, Cutthroat and Cordon Bleu: Buckingham, Butcher, Watford.

FOR sale, Marmoset, female, acclimatised; wonderful talking Amazon Parrot; hen Virginian Nightingale, wanted: Lane, 52, Christchurch-st., Chelsea.

BREEDING pair Severe Macaws, small and quiet, affectionate towards one another, chance to breed this variety, 80/- pair; bargain: Moore, 11, Lupus-st., Pimlico. (144)

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EXHIBITORS; house-moulted Linnet, Redpoll, winners, and Greenfinch, 7/6 exchange Siskin, Goldfinch or Norwich hens: Todd, Hopetown-lane, Darlington. (144)
EXCHANGE grand trio cocks, Bramblefinch, Chaffinch and Greenfinch, grand birds for small shows; offers; wanted, Canaries: Higgins, 9, Newton-st., Hulme, Manchester. (144)
EXCHANGE good Goldfinch Mule, well on song, for three good hen Canaries ready for breeding, two Norwich, one Yorkshire; yours first: Hart, East Hall, Wennington, Essex. (146)
WHAT offers in common fowls for six cage-moulted Linnets and call cages, also cock Goldfinch, or sell, the lot, 25/-, on approval both ways: Thompson, Jones' Yard, Chapel-st., Luton. (132)
QUALITY contest Linnet, cost 10/-, two exhibition Greenfinches, 3 back cages, lot 10/-, deposit; exchange good Roller, shutter cages; yours first: Hy. Shinn, 33, Edward-rd., Bedford. (135)
LINNETS, three very nice selected cock brown Linnets, caged four months, 2/6 each; the three for 5/-; or exchange for exhibition cock Goldfinch or Siskin; Edward Hendry, Fraserburgh.
EXCHANGE 1 grand H.M. cock Goldie and Hen Bullie, fertile eggs last season, for unflighted yellow Norwich hen, or sell, 8/-; approval: J. Brothwood, Old Yard, Donnington Wood, Newport, Salop. (138)
H.-MOULTED Lesser Redpoll monster, breeder and winner, 5/-: F.-M. Goldie, winner, extra good, 30/-: Bramblefinch, 3rd Welsh National, 5th Bathgate, wants another moult, 30/-: Jeffreys, 17, Norfolk-st., Swansea. (134)
EXCHANGE grand cock Goldfinch Mule, hand-reared cock Goldfinch, another caged August, hand-reared cock Chaffinch and Redpoll; wanted extra long, slim, unflighted yellow Yorkshire hen: Napier, 84, Bulwer-rd., Edmonton. (142)
BARGAINS, cock Chaffinch, hen Greenfinch, H.M. Greenfinch, hen Bullfinch, cock Linnet, hen Bullfinch, cock Redpoll, hen Bullfinch, cock Greenfinch, hen Redpoll, 10/- lot; cocks, Goldfinch Mule, 6/-; Bullfinch, Bramblefinch, Redpoll, H.M. Linnet, 6/-; Black Dutch buck, Blue doe, in kindle, 6/-, or exchange lot: Coulthard Pump House, Station Hill, Wigton, Cumberland. (135)
NIGHTINGALE, Wagtail and 2 Finch show cages and case, 12/6 lot; or exchange real good variegated cobby buff Norwich hen, hen first; Redstart, Wagtail, 1 Norwich, 1 Redpoll and 2 Border show cages, 10/-; or exchange buff variegated cobby Norwich cock; yours first; all good condition; hen Redstart, built nest last year, 3/6; Cutthroats, 6 weeks old, 2 hens, 1/6 each; 1 pair with white feathers in wings, 4/-: Bowsfield, Saddler, Briggate, Knaresbro. (143)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE 3 Norwich hen Canaries, for Belgian hares: J. Barsley, 41, John-st., Worksop, Notts. (135)
FOR sale, two Seifert Roller hens, 5/-; exchange Roller cock or offers: E. Bugby, Thorpe-st., Raunds, Northants. (145)
EXCHANGE 1 yell., 1 green, 1 cinnamon Yorkshire hens, for buff Yorks. hens: Malone, 113, High-st., Jarrow. (134)
EXCHANGE two hen Canaries, for inner tubes or tyres for cycle, 28 x 1½, sell for 5/-: Nowell, Cropwell, Notts. (133)
WILL exchange Yorkshire or Norwich for good lead paint or enamel: 41, Swaffield-rd., Earlsfield, Wandsworth. (143)
SMART Yorkshire green cock, full song, 8/-; 62 CAGE BIRDS, weeklies; what offers: 21, Sebert-rd., Forest Gate. (141)
EXCHANGE grand pair of Border value 20/-, for good buff Norwich hen, or offers: Burton Bros., 126, Lee-rd., S.E. (146)
RACING pigeons for good Norwich or Cinnamon Borders, sell 8/- pair: Thomson, 6, Old Gas Works, Globe, Motherwell. (138)
EXCHANGE 1914 Roller cock, full song, for 2 Goldies, cocks; sell 8/-; yours first: Coutts, Bonawe Quarries, Argyllshire. (144)
GRAND pair Black Rosecomb Bantams, 10/-; exchange Canaries, Britishers, or cages; offers: 245, Kingsley-av., Kettering. (145)
LARGE buff Norwich hens, 7/6; new cycle tube, 5/-; exchange yellow cinnamon or green cock: Clark, 41, Broad-st., Peterhead. (144)
YELLOW Yorkshire hen, bred off winners, 15/-; exchange pair Borders or Rollers: Tansey, 67, Reid-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (146)
EXCHANGE three Border hens for two cock Goldfinches or Siskins; or sell cheap; offers wanted: Dodd, Victoria, Southwold. (145)
YORKSHIRES, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6; exchange anything useful in household or sport: Binding, 31, Elmdale-rd., Chessels, Bristol. (135)
EXCHANGE highly trained Seifert Roller for four Norwich hens; approval; cost 12/6: Staves, 79, Aldwarke-rd., Parkgate, Rotherham. (145)
PAIR, 1914 Hartz Mountain Rollers, 6/6; exchange yellow Norwich or Goldfinches: Delf, 40, Coop-terrace, Newsham, Northumberland. (134)
EXCHANGE four pairs high-class Borders, for high-class poultry, or sell 10/-, 15/- pair: Roberts, Gwyddfor, Penygroes, North Wales. (136)
EXCHANGE two 1914 Roller hens for hen Linnet, Goldie and Border; cock Linnet, twice h.m., for cock Siskin: Hughes, Penyard, Neath. (135)
WILL exchange three Yorkshire hens for one Yorkshire cock, must be good; yours first: J. Edwards, 129, Tudhoe Colliery, Durham. (143)
EXCHANGE two pair racing Homers, have flown Didcot, for a Yorkshire cock or Norwich cock Canaries; yours first: A. Bisby, Kilnhurst. (136)
HANDSOME Brindle Aberdeen Terrier dog, 10 weeks; exchange buff cock, yellow hen, Yorkshires; offers: Breze, Meadow View, Littleport. (145)
WANTED, two extra long unflighted buff Yorkshire hens, suit smallish cocks; exchange Borders; winning strain: Croft, 38, Cemetery-rd., Crewe. (144)
EXCHANGE four Border Fancy hens, well bred, for two large cock Goldfinches, or what offers: G. Harkness, Henderson-st., Moffat, Dumfriesshire. (144)
EXCHANGE buff coppy cock, for large yellow Norwich Crest, no breakage, or offers; approval; sell 12/6: Dearden, 123, Passmons, Rochdale. (132)
TWENTY-keyed Anglo-German concertina, by Lachnells, best steel reeds, new condition, 26/-; exchange Canaries: Richardson, 10, Somerscale-st., Hull. (137)
WANTED, a good Crested hen for 2 clear yellow C.B. cocks, pink of condition, large birds; letters only: Walker, 6, Lambert-terr., Aberdare, S. Wales. (137)
BORDERS, cock 6/-; two unflighted Cinnamons, hens 5/- each; exchange Crestbred, or Norwich hens; offers: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Worksop. (134)
EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires or Siefert Roller Canaries for serap brass, copper, solder, etc.: B. Murgatroyd, 5, Walker-pl., Windhill, Shipley, Yorkshire. (146)
PAIR of Roller Canaries, bred from high-class stock; exchange small sporting gun, air gun, or field-glasses; approval: Arnott, 51, Jordan-terrace, Methil, Fife. (128)
TWENTY high-class Norwich and Yorkshires, winners, or stock birds; cheap, or exchange new boots, clothing, drapery, cycle covers; offers: Soper, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey. (142)
EXCHANGE dark cock Goldfinch Mule, value 10/6, for Norwich or Lizard songster, or 3 White Leghorn pullets: William Coulter, Mowbray-terrace, Stakeford-lane, Choppington. (139)
EXCHANGE gent's silver lever watch, fully jewelled, for Yorkshires, Rollers or Toy Pom. dog, black preferred, or sell 30s.; approval: Mrs. Peters, 35, Dobb Brow, Westhoughton. (138)
1913 VAR. yell. Norwich cock, 7/6; 1914 clear yell. ditto, 4/6; 1913 Crest-bred cock, 7/6; 1913 buff hen, 3/-; or exchange for good 1914 buff var. Norwich hens: Dack, Worlingham Hall Gardens, Beccles. (132)
EXCHANGE 4 good Norwich cocks, unflighted, colour-fed, for a good 1914 stock pair of Crests, cold-room bred, value 30/-; approval; yours first: Marsh, Milkwell Burn, Hamsterley Coll, C. Durham. (132)
EXCHANGE yellow Green Scotch Fancy cock, 1914, two yellow variegated Border hens, one feeding hen, for a buff Scotch Fancy hen, young, or sell 15/-: Bishop, 56, Castle-terrace, Winchburgh, Linlithgowshire. (136)
YORKSHIRE male, 4 lbs., cobby, low, good tan, blue back, 30/-; exchange Canaries, Budgerigars; set goat harness, 10/-; cycle, 20/-; exchange lop buck, two does (struck), 12/6: Adshead, Bond-st., Dudley. (141)
EXCHANGE big high-class Norwich or breeding show cages, utensils for Nightingale or Larks on song, or Bull bitch, cloddy or hosepipe, anything useful: Middleton, Cricketers' Arms, Low Moorside, Holbeck, Leeds. (140)
BUFF Norwich cock, 12/6; or exchange for short cobby hen, 1914, with good head and neck, yellow or yellow variegated, with little cash for good one, also good buff Border cock, 6/6; or exchange for 1914 good clear buff Border hen: Robertson, Margaret Cottage, Currie, Midlothian. (135)

Mainly Foreign.

RED-FACED Lovebird cock, sell cheap; or offers in Budgerigars or other foreigners: Moore, 11, Lupus-st., Pimlico. (144)
LOVELY grey Java cock, winner in open competition, bargain, 5/6; exchange green Budgerigars: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (141)
WANTED, pair of breeding Zebra Finches for cash, or would give pair of Orange Weavers and cash in exchange: S. Holbrook, 689, Carlton-rd., Nottingham. (145)
EXCHANGE grand Roller Canary-Goldie Mule, Linnet Mule, Goldie-Greenie Hybrid, all cocks, splendid songsters, for Budgies, in pairs; Cockatiels, Cardinals; offers: Allison, Hairdresser, Blyth, Northumberland. (138)

Miscellaneous.

FOR sale, good working homers, or exchange cage birds: Pierce, 34, Woodville-rd., Birkenhead. (140)
WHAT offers in exchange for Manchester Terrier bitch, 15 months: South, 98, Baker-st., London, W.
NORWICH, a few left, any price, or exchange anything useful: Morris, 57, High-st., Tooting. (124)
HIGH class cutlery, cruets or tools, for Canaries; rubbish not wanted or given: 67, Hodgson-st., Sheffield. (140)
SALE, good field glasses, 10/ or exchange offers, anything: E. Bunn, Long-row, Lizard, Wymondham, Norfolk. (130)

REPEATING ADVERTISEMENTS.

SHOW ADVERTISEMENTS across two or more columns 7/6 per inch, column width, except to "Guaranteed" Shows, for which the charge is 6/- per inch, column width.

WANTED birds, live stock, anything in exchange for cutlery and plate: Smith Bros., 47, Pear st., Sheffield. (142)
FROCK coat and vest, 37 chest, cost £4; sell cheap; exchange Canaries or gun: 57, Fairfield-st., Leicester. (142)
EXCHANGE, pair gent's ton boots, small 8, what offers in Goldfinches, or sell, 6/-: 24, Northfield Avenue, Ealing. (137)
BULL and Foxhound dog, 18 months, demon on chain, 12/6; exchange Canaries, offers: Cutler, 25, High-st., Walsall. (134)
TRIO Old English Game Bantams, 12s. 6d.; or exchange pair Yorkshires or Norwich: H. Yardley, 23, Subway-st., Hull. (141)
WHAT offers in exchange for well bred liver roan Spaniel bitch, 7 months, sell 25/-; particulars: Hind, Lochfield, Annan. (142)
MAGAZINE hand camera, ¼-plate, cost 25/-, accept 16/6; exchange Rollers; birds first; address: 137, Lowther-st., York. (133)
TWENTY pounds of picked cuttlefish for sale; or exchange for Canaries: B. Newbery, 28, Sidmouth st., Seaton, Devon. (131)
EXCHANGE house-moulted cock Linnet and hen Canary, mulers, for mandoline; offers: Griffiths, 8, Gadlys-rd., Aberdare. (137)
LOVELY Irish Terrier, quiet, good guard, exchange anything useful; cash 20/-: Willoughby, Newhampton, Wolverhampton. (133)
PAIRS, Norwich croppers, modenas, 3 black tumbler cocks, sell or exchange Canaries: Levitt, Zoo, Monk, Fryston, Yorks. (135)
LADY'S silver watch, two gent's top-coats; exchange hen Canaries, Crests, anything: McCulloch, 20, Irish-st., Dumfries. (142)
SALE or exchange, high-class lop rabbits, no better blood obtainable for birds: E. Saxon, 27, Oxford-rd., Smethwick. (136)
EXCHANGE silver watch and pair Tippler pigeons for pair breeding Yorkshires; no rubbish; approval: Hoyes, Knaresborough. (144)
COCK Redpoll, pulls seed and water, and cage-moulted; exchange cock Canary: Needham, 71, King-st., Clown, Chesterfield. (135)
NEW strong punchball, used once, sell 7/6; or exchange birds, nets, or offers: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (131)
SCOTCH Fancies (pair) or gramophone wanted; exchange zither banjo, with case, cost £5: Address, 55, Gilmore-place, Edinburgh. (132)
TWO massive Newfoundland dog collars, exchange unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock: A. Roberts, 106, Dixon-st., Swindon, Wilts. (132)
TWO hand cameras, No. 1 and No. 2 Brownies; exchange for Roller Schoolmaster; apply: E. Slater, 48, Wood-st., Wednesbury. (141)
FOR sale, Edison phonograph, 40 records, £1 15/-; part exchange good Crested Canaries: B., 60, Charlwood-st., Pimlico, London. (133)
20 PARTS "The Times," value 11/8; exchange cock Goldfinch or Norwich to value; bird first: Pickering, Gladstone-st., Leek, Staffs. (140)
POMERANIAN dog, pure white, 4 months, correct ears, tail carriage, bargain 21/-; or exchange Canaries: 27, Mill-st., Aylesbury. (141)
30-EGG incubator, Radiets, sell 15/-; or exchange two pair 1914 Norwich: Anderson, Eldon Cottages, Dene-avenue, Rowlands Gill. (132)
EXCHANGE Indian Game cockerel for White Wyandotte cockerel, or sell 10/6, or what offer: J. Petford, 39, Bexley-rd., Redditch. (132)
EXCHANGE watches for birds, fowls, pigeons; English lever 35/-, ladies' silver 13/6, ladies' gold 45/-: Parker, 3, Darlan-rd., Fulham. (141)
CAVIES, pens, tortoise and white and self blacks, boar, two sows; what offers exchange or cash: Pennington, 131a, Elland-rd., Leeds. (131)
RED Pekinese dog, champion pedigree, from noted winners, £3; or exchange anything: Foxall, 20, Bracton-rd., South Bermondsey. (146)
¾-SIZE violin, bow, case, pitch pipe, good condition; exchange Yorkshire Canaries; sell £1: May, Rock Nook, Littleborough, Lancashire. (139)
SIX counter drawers, 25 x 19, dovetailed make, single breeders, 7/6; exchange poultry value 9/6: Elliott, Ashby-rd., Loughborough. (133)
EXCHANGE His Master's Voice gramophone and records for birds, etc., or sell 30/-: 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (143)
NINE compartment cage, sell or exchange pair Hartz Mountain Canaries: no carriage, no cards: "Cremyll," North-avenue, Ealing. (131)
YORKSHIRE cock, 5/6; German cock, 6/6; both singing, German hen, 2/3; Norwich hen, 2/3; approval: Holt, Ironmonger, Bacup. (135)
EXCHANGE, slide trombone, for gent's cycle; offers; single-barrel gun, for Canaries, or anything: 35, Coombe-st., Brnton, Somerset. (135)
E-FLAT circular, E-flat horn, sell five pounds; what offers in Parrot, birds, anything: W. Castello, Eleanor-rd., Waltham Cross, Herts. (131)
EXCHANGE new Waverley book on Canaries and British, for Norwich yellow or buff cock, or sell 15/-: T. Stead, 97, Guilford-st., Grimsby. (138)
GOOD wire-haired fox terrier dog, 2 years, cock Linnet Mule; exchange Canaries, anything useful: Dutton, 225, Clowes-st., West Gorton. (136)
WHAT offers in British birds or useful exchange for high-class flying Tipplers, or sell 5/- per pair: Clark, 62, Gladetone-st., Portsmouth. (141)
NORWICH, Yorkshire and Crestbred cocks, also green Crest and Crestbred hens, 7/6 each: Maddocks, Cowley Manor Gardens, Cheltenham. (138)
EXCHANGE good white Pom. bitch for Canaries or fowls, or sell 30/-: W. Green, 20, Butchers lane, Cradley, near Cradley Heath, Staffs. (137)
2½-LBS. thistle seed, will sell 10/6; or exchange young Norwich cock and three dozen trout flies: T. Russell, 81, Back-brae, Kilsyth, N.B. (132)
TWO hand-reared cock Linnets, 1913; exchange songster Canary or records; offers: Goodey, Grammar School Cottage, Halstead, Essex. (142)
PRETTY sample leather wristlet watch, 15/-; approval; exchange cock Mules, Canaries, Goldfinches: Traveller, 25, Glendish-rd., Tottenham. (136)
BLUE rough Smithfield dog, 2 years, good guard, work with gun, 15/-; exchange Goldfinches or offers: Jackson, Postman, Downham, Norfolk. (134)
WOULD exchange pair beautiful white fantails, for good yellow unflighted Belgian Canary cock, £1; approval: Simpson, Ironmonger, Otley. (129)
OFFERS in White or Black Wyandotte pullets for grand pair Seifert Rollers; letters only: Walker, 6, Lambert-terr., Aberdare, S. Wales. (137)
WHAT offers in yellow Yorkshire or Belgian Canary hens for kit of 14 West of England high flying tumblers: Simpson, Ironmonger, Otley. (129)
EGGS for sitting, Sicilian Buttercups (Teozos' direct), 7/6 doz.; Buff Rocks 5/-; exchange Canaries: March, Grocer, Lowtown, Pudsey. (21)
EXCHANGE brass hanging lamp, eighty-candle power, for good Roller cock: Thompson, Emily terrace, North-st., Dudley, Worcestershire. (130)
GRAND Black Rosecomb Bantam cock, 7/6; exchange yellow Norwich hen or Goldfinches; offers: James Wilson, Sulton-st., Norton Malton. (142)
LOOK, Look: Nottingham made lace curtains, at war price, from 2/6 per pair, latest design; stamp reply: Mrs. A. Gagg, 127, Alfreton rd., Nottingham. (141)

WHAT offers for 100 3d. packets Gold Flake cigarettes; exchange anything, camera preferred: 95, Wellington-st., Chadderton, Oldham. (142)

SHAVING attachment, for making blanks, fit Edison Standard phonograph, sell 2/6; or exchange cage birds: J. Shaw, 41, Carr-st., Ilkeston. (136)

EXCHANGE Sandow's combined developers, practically new, cost 12/6, for good yellow Norwich hen: Huckle, 31, Gordon-rd., Kingston-on-Thames. (133)

FISHING.—Exchange two new rods and line, worth 10 -, for long yellow Yorkshire cock or two hens: Bilton, Roslyn, Halsall-lane, Ormskirk. (145)

PAIR of prize-bred Dutch mice, three chocolates, show and breeding cages, 6/-; exchange birds, or offers: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield Woodhouse. (131)

EXCHANGE March pullets, laying, 4/- each; 2 White Wyandottes, 2 Wyandotte-Sussex, for Roller Canaries: Cottham, Albrighton, Wolverhampton (137)

SELL ten 10in. double-sided records, in good condition, for 8/-; or what offer in Norwich in song; yours first: H. Lock, Rayne Lodge, Braintree. (141)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire Terrier dog, seven months, for a good length matched pair of Yorkshire Canaries, on approval: 2, Beverley-st., Port Talbot.(132)

EXCHANGE Linnet, full song, three Linnet cages, swing cage, all new condition, for fishing tackle, birds, anything: 134, Washington-st., Bradford. (138)

TWENTY-inch joiner-made breeder and accessories 3/6; three drawing-room cages, 1/3 each; 6/6 lot, or exchange: 36, Branksome-rd, Brixton, London. (147)

NOTICE, lovely pair exhibition Cavies, sell 15 -; exchange for one Yorkshire cock or two hens, anything useful: Beaumont, Netheroyde, Ripponden. (143)

SPOT, intelligent Fox Terrier dog, 12 months, excellent guard, sell 20/-; exchange any other kind of live stock: Manning, 23, Palmerston-rd., Wimbledon. (140)

BILLIARD cue and case, maker, Holt, 12/6; approval; exchange book, "Our Canaries," fishing tackle, birds: Broxup, Hairdresser, Colne-rd., Burnley. (135)

MONOPLANE model, new, will fly quarter of a mile, grand flyer; exchange poultry or fancy pigeons; sell 10/6: Thomson, Oakfield, Cwmbran, Mon. (143)

SALE or exchange double breeding cage, cost 8/6; three-dome aviary, cost 15 -; "Our Canaries," unbound, all like new; bargain: Jacklin, Anlaby-rd., Hull. (127)

EXCHANGE pen golden Couti Cavies for three Yorkshires; yellow cock, buff and yellow hens, or sell 20/-: Uttley, Caldene Avenue, Mytholmroyd, Yorks. (140)

PEDIGREE West Highland Terrier bitch, 20 months, little beauty, 25/-; exchange for two pairs Norwich or Goldies: Robert Dyer, Haystown Farm, Peebles. (143)

TWO grand volumes "Cage Birds," 4/6; fourteen parts of Canaries, Hybrids, and British birds, by Robson; stamp reply: D. Crawford, Castlefield, Llanelly. (132)

HANDSOME little Black Pom and Yorkshire Terrier dog puppy, six weeks, pick of litter, weighs just over pound; only 6/6; exchange singing Canary and cage: Mitchell, 97, Wilford-rd., Nottingham. (146)

2 WORDS 1d. THROUGHOUT

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EXCHANGE six ivorine handled knives, six nickel forks, and bread knife for two cocks or five hen Canaries: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Philips-rd., Sheffield. (144)

SINGING cock Canaries, nesting pairs with breeding cages, laying pullets, incubators; chicks given in exchange for other Fancy; Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (146)

EXCHANGE 540 Hobbies' designs, including specials, for two good Norwich or Roller cocks, or sell 15/6; what offers: H. Beach, 15, Russell-st., Chichester. (131)

WANTED very steady large Chaffinch, Siskin, Yellowhammer, Greenfinch; no old birds; exchange oil paintings; letters only: "Studio," 31, Brondesbury-rd., Kilburn. (136)

EXCHANGE double-barrelled 12-bore breach gun for four good Roller cocks or hand-sewing machine; yours first; approval: Royles, 3, Robin Hood-rd., Winecbank, Sheffield. (143)

EXCHANGE khaki riding breeches, nearly new, 8/6; six small box cages, and breeding cage; wanted Rollers, Yorkshires, or fowls: Full, 33, Clifden-rd., Clapton, N.E. (146)

EXCHANGE Bull-Airedale dog, 8 months, good yard dog, for Glucke Roller cock, or small Pom., or sell 12/6: Martin, 14, Canal-side, Wrockwardine Wood, Wellington, Salop. (141)

SEED dressing machine, 6/-; three Greenfinch Canaries, couples, 4/- pair, breeding condition: exchange singing cock Canaries: Charles Lee, 79, North-st., Stanground, Peterborough. (132)

WHAT offers in birds for 20lbs. old brass copper, and 7lbs. horse hair; also stable collar, bearing reins, nose-bag, and cleaning tackle: Steele, 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester. (136)

MODERN Business Practice, eight volumes, new, by Gresham Publishing Co., cost £3; exchange Norwich Canaries, cold room; what offers?—Cumming, South-st., Elgin, Scotland. (145)

EXCHANGE, book on Canaries and Hybrids, almost new, for Siberian Goldfinch, or two large British Goldfinches; birds first: Richd. Smith, 23, School-st., Cowdenbeath, Fife, N.B. (135)

SALE or exchange D.B. breech-loading gun, 12-bore, maker Thomas Wilde, good as new, cost £5; offers in Roller Canaries or Goldfinch Mules, cocks; mutual approval: Joseph Hill, Maeben, Mon. (139)

PIANO-HARP, cost 20 -, good condition, also very good dictionary of French, English, German, 1,240 pages perfect condition; what offers Norwich or Yorkshires: Wright, Lea-lane, Selston, Notts. (139)

EXCHANGE O.E. Spangled Game Bantam cockerel and three pullets (Hey's strain) for pair Yorkshire Canaries; also two Border show cages, shown once, for Yorkshire hen: Cornthwaite, Limebank, Lancaster. (144)

REPEATING ADVERTISEMENTS.

Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous issue. Page, and Column are stated by the advertiser.—ADVT. MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS."

CHAMPION pedigree Scotch Terrier dog, 4½ months, sire Ch. Ems Quisby, dam Ems Baggage, sell 30/-, or exchange pair of good Norwich P.H., no rubbish, approval both ways: V. Mutton, 44, Rectory-rd., Redditch. (136)

SMART Welsh Terrier bitch, very game, 10/-; exchange Canaries or Goldfinches, Whippet and Terrier dog pups, 4 months, 10/-, or exchange Goldfinch Mule: Alf. Cole, 1, Oak Tree Cottage, Revesley, Coventry. (138)

EXCHANGE, best quality ladies' and gents' silver mounted umbrellas, 15 - each, for fresh caught Bullfinches, Goldfinches, Linnets; also Canaries, on song; offers invited: Dobbs, Umbrella Manufacturer, 866, Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (135)

TEXTILE Industries, 8 volumes, a practical guide, including spinning, doubling, designing, weaving, bleaching, printing, dyeing and finishing, by leading experts (new), £3, or exchange birds: Whittaker, 67 St. Stephen's-rd., Preston. (135)

EXCHANGE for Norwich, Goldfinches, or sell light showerproof coat, 15/-, cost 35/-; gent's watch, 3/6 (slight repair); Bullfinches, 5/-; Greenfinches, 2/6; Border Canaries, 6/6 (pairs), good birds; yours first: Shaw, 15, Thistle-st., Galashiels. (133)

ONE pair Norwich, Goldfinch, Bramblefinch, cage-moulted, ringed necked Parrakeet and cage; exchange for gent's silver watch, light Linnet Mule, clothes, or anything useful; on approval: Stephens and Gaved, Polgooth, St. Austell. (135)

GRAND buff Norwich cock, two marked buff hens, large birds, double breeder, complete, two show cages, and gent.'s watch; exchange gramophone and records, good pigeon clock: Weedall, 110, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (146)

GOOD bred Retriever bitch, 4 months, clean, healthy, sensitive, 15/-; exchange Canaries, steady yellow cock Greenfinch, house-moulted hen and Peathroat cock Goldfinches; exchange Canaries: Rogers, Provident-place, Bridgwater, Somerset. (137)

BOXING; over 4 years weekly numbers of "Boxing," from January, 1911, to this week's, with some splendid coloured supplements; will exchange for a good pair Yorkshire Canaries: Charles Meehan, 17, King's Avenue, Ballybough rd., Dublin, Ireland. (140)

EXCHANGE household goods, boots, shirts, bedding, gent.'s and ladies' underclothes, draperies, cycle tyres, etc., for all kinds of livestock whatever; nothing refused; honest dealings: Jopson's Exchange Stores, Newton Heath, Manchester. (143)

EXCHANGE or sell Cocker Spaniel bitch, liver and roan, grand worker, retrieves land or water, value £3; also her black dog puppy, value 15 -; for high-class Norwich or Yorkshires, Norwich preferred: E. Price, Lower Soughton, Northop, Flintshire.

EXCHANGE commode, kitchen fender, either for pair of Canaries, gold reading spectacles, new King William razor, gent's morning coat, 38 chest; either for songster; 3 elderly ladies' capes for trio; ladies' new short plush jacket; offers; birds first: Lunt, 125, Boaler-st., Liverpool. (130)

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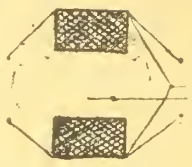

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GOLDIES, Bullie (cock), Linnets (house-moulted), Linnets (field-moulted), Yellowhammer, Bramhles, Chaffinches, Siskins, Redpolls, Twites, also Cape Sparrow, also house-moulted muling and Greenfinches, mulers; 3 selected field-moulted Greenies; stamped reply: T. Bell, 1, Gilhurn Place, Kinniee, Bo'ness, Linlithgowshire, Scotland. (165)

FOR breeding space must sell the following birds, all in breeding condition: Goldfinch, house-moulted, 5/6; Linnet, field-moulted, steady, 2/6; Twite, cock, steady, carrying nesting material with Canary hens, 2/6; large Lesser Redpoll cock, 1/6; Greenfinch and Chaffinch hens, Canary reared, no bluff, 2/6 each: A. Wyper, Market-pl., Auchinleck. (164)

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WANTED, one each cock Goldfinch, Bullfinch and Brown Linnet; all must be young, sound, tight healthy birds, of good size, and perfectly healthy. I am prepared to buy together or separately for cash, but would prefer to give in part exchange, thoroughly sound 1914 Norwich cock, value 15/-, and 1914 dark Goldfinch Mule, value 10/-, both of which are in full song: Stephen Plumpton, Moore, near Warrington. (157)

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YELLOW cock Siskins, giants, well laced, good caps and hibs, win anywhere, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; also a grand lot, win at small shows, right for muling and all on full song, 3/6, 4/6, 5/- each; extraordinary giant cock Goldfinches, with deep square-cut blaze, broad heads, wide faces, nicely huttoned, real Palace winners, the best lot of Goldies ever seen, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6 each; and a nice lot for muling, on full song, 3/6, 4/6 each; other good ones 2/-, 2/6 each; Norwich type cock Linnet, well pencilled, a gem, 2/6; cock Bramble, a real good one, splendid size and colour, 2/6; monster yellow cock Greenfinch, 2/6; cock Bullfinch, one of the best under wires, 4/6; state wants please; hundreds of British in stock, and all on approval, cash or deposit: Fred Allen, British Bird Champion, 156, Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (167)

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All well on seed; guaranteed English cock Goldfinches, 2/- each; three 5/6; hens 1/-; cock Bullfinches 2/6, 3/- each; hens 1/6 and 2/-; real Lancashire and large Scotch brown Linnets, 10d., 1/- each; caged off, singing, 1/6 and 2/-; cock Siskins, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each; cock Larks 8d., 10d.; caged off, singing, 1/-, 1/6 and 2/-, three 1/4, six 2/6; cock Bramblefinches, 1/- and 1/6 each; Chaffinches 1/- and 1/6 each; Greenfinches 6d. each, three 1/3; cages for any of above from 6d., 9d., 1/-, 1/3, 1/6, and 2/-, Seed grinding mills, 1/6; send for catalogue of everything; established 50 years: Sandiford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also 80, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

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Softbills.

WANTED, hen Song Thrush, tame, reasonable: Preston, 84, Purewell, Christchurch, Hants. (167)

LARKS. A few large selected cock Larks, on song, 1/6 each: Ashton, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (164)

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COCK Bramblefinches, 2/- dozen; 24 mixed aviary birds, 1/6; brighter mixed, 1/- dozen; selected cock Blackbirds and Song Thrushes, 1/- each; exchange, George Fenn, East End, Isleham, Cambs. (162)

HAND-REARED hen Linnet, tame hen Goldfinch and Pekin Nightingale, been in aviary 2 years; 1914 Linnet Mule; exchange for singing bird: Freeman, Ironmonger, Brockley. (168)

LINNET, Chaffinch, Greenfinch, or Skylark, in new cage, only 2/- each; don't be gulled and pay fancy prices, buy from a catcher, warranted selected cocks; double compartment trap-cage and Goldfinch or Linnet Mule, only 2/6: Bannister, 24, Hulme-st., Burnley. (165)

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COCK Bramblefinches, 2/- dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; 24 mixed aviary birds, 1/6; brighter mixed, 1/- dozen; Chaffinches, Bramblefinches, Greenfinches, Linnets, Reedbuntings, 1/- pair; selected cocks, 1/- each; cock Blackbirds and Song Thrushes, 1/- each, selected songsters, 1/6; exchange: Fenn and Son, Bowers lane, Isleham. (153)

RED-BREASTED cock Linnets, any quantity, 3 for 1/9, 6/6 dozen; 3 dozen 18/-; 6 dozen, 34/6; Twites, Twites, all cocks (Redrumps), 3 (picked) 1/6; 3 dozen; 3 dozen, 8/6; cock Bramblefinches, 3 (picked) 1/6; others, 2/6 dozen; three hen Goldfinches, 3/6 lot; old caught birds, well on seed, and warranted clean and healthy: J. Whiteley, Boston-rd., Holbeach. (166)

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CANARIES.

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BORDERS; hens 2/-, 2/6, cocks 5/-; yellow Crested cock, 7/6; exchange Borders: F. Mann, Park-rd., Brechin. (161)

WANTED Border Fancy Canaries, also Yorkshires, must be healthy: Gracie, Bird Dealer, Main-st., Wishaw. (164)

HIGH-CLASS Borders (hens) for sale, cold-room bred, 3/- upwards; approval: A. Cargill, 3, Cantsdam, Kelty, Fife. (154)

TYPICAL clear buff cocks, 6/- and 7/6 each; approval willingly: Geo. Higgins, 5, Mayson-st., Currock, Carlisle. (163)

MUST be cleared, prize-bred Borders, all colours, no fancy prices, stamp reply: Calderwood, Swans Vennel, Dumfries. (164)

TYPICAL Borders, all colours, cheap to clear; pair Cinnamons 7/6, cocks 5/-, hens 3/6: Dunlop, Schoolhouse, Dornock, Annan. (161)

TWO good yellow Border cocks and three buff marked hens, 8/- a pair, or 17/- the lot: Bebbington, 25, Crosby-st., Carlisle. (163)

BORDER cocks, 5/-, hens 2/-, 2/6; all colours; matched pairs, 7/6; Scotch cocks, Linnets, 1/-, 1/6: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin. (163)

BORDERS.—A few nice hens, from 3/6 to 5/- each; also two cocks, at 8/-, good birds; approval: Henry Wilson, Saint-rd., Bannockburn. (167)

TYPICAL prize-bred Borders, clears, marks, and cinnamons, cocks from 6/-, hens 3/6; approval: Geddes, Kirkowens-st., Dumfries. (133)

SELF yellow Cinnamon and buff green hens, 4/- each; exchange yellow variegated or clear cock: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (165)

WANTED buff, green, or cinnamon Border cock, exchange 3 good typical 1914 hens, sell from 3/- each: Hicks, 101, Bramford-rd., Ipswich. (154)

UNFLIGHTED clear buff Border hen, also wing-marked buff; exchange Canary, songster or Mule: Watson, Garden Terrace, Hexham. (163)

ONLY six pairs left; greens, clears, marks, from 15/- to 25/- pair; few hens from 5/- to 12/6: Matthew Peel, Coxlodge, Gosforth, Newcastle. (155)

BORDERS. Typical cocks and hens, also exhibiton Linnet Mule and buff Norwich cock; approval: Kennoway, St. Leonard's Place, Dunfermline. (155)

FOUR yellow green cocks, 1 buff cinnamon, 1 cinnamon marked cocks for sale; approval: T. Davison, 11, East Whickham-st., Sunderland. (164)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Border Fancies for show or breeding; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

S. WILSON, CHAMPION DIPLOMA WINNER

has good typical Borders; cocks, 7/6, hens 6/-, or 12/6 pair; cold room; approval: Woodside, Station-rd., Cramlington, Northumberland. (138)

BORDERS, bargains like never offered before, cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/-, pairs from 10/6; some champion buff cocks; approval: Craig, High-st., Brechin. (159)

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HENRY BENNET, Border Fancy Aviaries, Kelso, offers high-class Borders, all colours; cocks 7/6 to 20/-; hens 5/- to 15/-; matched pairs 10/6 to 35/-; approval. (165)

BORDER Fancy hens 1/6; cinnamons 2/6 each; cocks 5/6 and 6/6 each; surplus stocks bought for cash or exchange: Luer, 87, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

ONLY a few pairs left, from 10/6; several smart buff hens, 5/- each, right shape, lovely quality, best of condition; approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (140)

THREE 1914 clear buff cocks, cinnamon marked strain, 6/- each; exchange for clear or pied yellow Scotch Fancy hen; approval: Deacon, Railway-terrace, Cockermouth. (156)

EXCEPTIONAL value in Cinnamons, Greens, Clears, Marks, same as my Scottish National winners; show or stock; pairs or single: Dan Hamilton, 239, Lowwaters, Hamilton. (104)

TYPICAL yellow cock, commended last Palace show, 7/6; yellow cock, 5/-; typical yellow hen, 5/-; var. yellow hen, 4/6; approval: Walker, 12, Tower-rd., Tweedmouth. (167)

CLEAR yellow buff ticked cocks, clear yellow, yellow cinnamon marked hens (1914 bred, outside aviary; cocks 5/-; hens 2/6; approval: Bell, Armathwaite-pl., Cumberland. (164)

BORDERS, six good cocks and one Norwich, 3/6 each; exchange for good yellow and buff cocks, must be good; approval; yours first: Andrews, Whitemoor, St. Austell, Cornwall. (133)

GRAND pair Cinnamon Borders, 12/6; clear buff cock, 8/6; ticked yellow hen, 4/-; self cinnamon, 4/-; foul cinnamon, 3/-; marked buff 2/6; approval: Burton Bros., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E. (165)

BORDERS. Last lot. Five pairs of Borders, 7 hens, ready for breeding, £2 10s. lot, or exchange for 2 pairs of Yorkshires; must be good; yours first: W. Christon, New Kyo, Annfield Plain. (164)

HENRY, 13, King Edward-rd., Ponders End.—Two pairs cinnamon Borders, prize-bred, 7/6 pair; green Norwich hen, good strain, 1914, 3/6; four cock Linnets, caged June; stormers, 1/6 each, 5/6 the lot.

TYPICAL Borders. Three grand buff cocks, 5/- each; few splendid buff hens, yellow hen, yellow marked hen, foul yellow green hen, and buff var. hen, 3/- each; great bargains, to clear, approval willingly: Irons, Park-pl., Brechin. (163)

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Cinnamons.

WANTED, three yellow Cinnamons, 1914, Norwich hens, lowest price: G. S. Barnard, 7, Silver-st., St. James, Bristol. (156)

LARGE Norwich Cinnamons, cocks 10/6, hens 7/6 each; ten days approval: Mrs. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury.

TWO Cinnamon cocks, yellow and buff, Norwich type, 7/- each, cold room: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester. (158)

JONQUE Cinnamon cock, perfect feather, good head, 30/-, exchange buff equal value: J. Nason, Foresters Arms, Northampton (155)

HIGH-CLASS buff and yellow Norwich Cinnamons, cocks and hens; reasonable prices; approval: Taylor, County Bank, Blackpool. (54)

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CINNAMONS, winning strain; a few unflighted cocks and hens, cheap; approval: Hamilton, 4, Holburn Gardens, Kilmarnock-rd., Newlands, Glasgow. (157)

UNFLIGHTED buff Cinnamon hen, 6/6; unflighted yellow Cinnamon hens, 10/- each, Dormer's strain, Norwich type: Witt, Barton St. Mary, East Grinstead. (157)

YELLOW cock, buff hen, Norwich type, both winners, 1914 bred; also several young cocks at price of songsters to clear; room wanted, approval: Brown, 35, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (157)

Belgians.

BELGIANS.—Several good birds for sale, pairs or single, from my winners; cheap: Horrill, King Edward-st., Barnstaple. (139)

CHAMPION Belgians, grand birds, disposal, same strain my championship winners last two Palace shows; cheap; approval: G. S. Baker, Georges-rd., Barnstaple. (160)

Crests and Crestbreds.

A FEW pair of Crest and C.B., 10/6 to 21/- a pair: E. Homer, The Aviary, Bognor.

WANTED good Crest and Crestbred hen; state prices: W. Marshall, 2, Haughton-terr., Waterloo, Blyth. (167)

COLLEDGE, Kilburn, Derby; 1913 yellow green Crest hen, 15/6; 1914 variegated Crest hen, 15/6; approval. (159)

BREEDER has some Crests and Crest-breds to sell from 15/- pair; approval: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-av., Forest Gate, Essex. (1980)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, fit to win, 10/6, 15/6 each; ten days' approval.—W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (112)

FOR sale, Crested cock, second cross Lancashire, cheap; approval, 25/-; stamp reply: Huson, 66, St. Leonards-rd., Norwich. (168)

CREST and Crest-bred hens, two real beauties, unflighted, own breeding, 20/- each; approval: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (151)

HEALTHY 1914 medium buff C.B. hens, ticked and guaranteed cinnamon bred, 4/- to 8/6: Smithson, Basinghall-square, Leeds. (151)

GREEN Crest cock, 10/-; Crest-bred cock buff ticked, 9/6; ditto yellow cock, 12/6: Boulter, 32, Palmerston-rd., West Hampstead, N.W. (153)

EVINS BROS., wing marked Crested cock, 20/-, ditto 15/-; green Crest-bred cock, 15/-; bargains; healthy; approval: High-st., Exeter. (161)

TWO unflighted Crests, cocks, 20/-, 30/- each; two Crestbreds, cocks, 15/- each; approval: Geo. Dohson, 103, James-st., Blaydon-on-Tyne. (162)

FOR sale, Crests, cocks or hens, 7/6 to 10/-; Crestbreds, ditto 6/6 to 8/6; 1913 and 1914 birds: Mrs. Seffre, 24, Sbandon Place, Edinburgh. (164)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, several to part with; good stock birds; reasonable; approval; stamp: H. Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (141)

EXCEPTIONAL quality in Crests and Crested-breds at exceptionally favourable prices; state requirements; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

CHAMPION large Crestbred cocks, 8/-; Crests, pairs 12/-; Norwich Plainhead pairs, 8/-; approval; stamp reply: Cawell Cooke, Wavendon, Bucks. (161)

HIGH class Crests, best blood, cocks or hens, 35 years' breeder, judge of many shows, reasonable approval: Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham.

1914 Crestbred hen, £1, ditto 15/-; Crested cock, 15/-, ditto hen, 10/-; approval; stamp: Angus MacDougall, Carronvale-rd., Larbert, Stirlingshire.

GRIZZLE Crest cock, 8/6; two Crested hens, 4/6 each; one buff Lancs. hen, 6/6; exchange good green Crest cock to value: Prentice, Newport, Wight. (159)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Crests and Crested-bred for show or breeding; prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

TWENTY Crest and Crestbreds, also breeding cages, accessories, etc., for sale, or exchange cold-room; what offers: Jas. Moxey, Market-place, Belper. (155)

HIGH class big clear Crestbred cock, variegated dark Crest hen, 25/- pair; bargain, approval, deposit: Rogers, 18, Elmsthorpe-avenue, Lenton, Nottingham. (161)

WELL-BRED young Crested and Crestbred Canaries 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; hens 7/6, 10/6; approval: Miss Hacker, Beechcourt, St. Helen's Park-rd., Hastings. (154)

C. ROBERTS, the noted breeder show Crests, can spare few pairs from 30/-; single birds from 15/6; approval: Stannahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (125)

F. W. BARNETT has a few useful stock Crest pairs, also Crestbred cocks, cheap; approval; stamp reply: Address Greenway House, Fakenham, Norfolk. (138)

C. ROBERTS, 25 years breeder winning Norwich; pairs large chubby birds, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-; single birds from 10/6; approval: Stanahey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (167)

WANTED Crested or Crestbred hen, give in exchange Waverley Book Canaries, Hybrids, etc., cost 23/6, and 10/6 Waterman Fountain Pen: Smith, 13, Bedford-place, Aberdeen. (154)

LARGE green Crested cock for sale, also large buff Norwich cock; approval, with pleasure; stamp for particulars: David Hunter, Cabberton, Maddiston, Polmont, Stirlingshire. (166)

GREENWOOD and Burson, several good pairs for Crest breeding, also 4 yellow C.B. cocks, 1914, buff Crested hen, 1914, £3, Crested hen, 1914, 15/-; stamp: 28, Haydon-st., Swindon, Wilts. (161)

BARGAINS.—Two useful Crested cocks, one nearly green, 1914 bred, one wing marked dark Crest, 1913, both bred from winners, 10/6 each; approval: J. Miller, 43, Sandy-lane, Mansfield. (141)

FEW good sized Crestbred cocks for sale, 1914 birds, 10/6 each; 1 large Crested cock, 10/6; 2 Green Yorkshire cocks, 8/6 each: A. J. Underwood, The Aviaries, Wellington-st., Kettering. (160)

CRESTED cock, Crest-bred cock, large feathery birds, Linnet Mule cock; exchange lot for two good Crested hens, greens preferred; yours first; approval: Elliot, 18, Edward-st., West Pelton. (163)

G. CLYNE, Moray-st., Wick, offers most of his Crests and Crest-breds, all bred from winners, grand stock birds, from 7/6 each; approval; wanted a large Crested cock, will give a good price for same.

TWO Crest hens, £3, £1; C.B. cock, £3; C.B. hen, £1; Crest cock, 1914, £5; Crest cock, £2; breeding cages, 2/-; show cages, 1/6; flight, 6 x 3, 15/-: H. McColl, 4, Albion-rd. West, North Shields. (163)

HIGHCLASS Crest and Crestbred cocks, 1914, cheap to clear at 10/- each; pairs from 20/-, breeding condition; also Goldfinch cocks, house reared, on song, 7/6 each; no cards: Compton, Waddesdon, Bucks. (152)

VARIEGATED dark Crest cock, 20/-; yellow Crestbred cock, 15/-; ditto marked head, one wing, 15/-; large birds, 1913 bred, full song, worth double: Cross, 20, Empress Avenue, Cranbrook Park, Ilford. (163)

F. G. BALE, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Crest and Crestbreds, offers 1914 Crestbred cock, £5; ditto, 30/-; 1913 ditto, Green, £5; 1914 Crested cock, £6; ditto, 40/-; approval: Crestlyn, Victoria-st., Barnstaple. (146)

CREST and Crestbreds. Geo. Williams, 50a, Lower Union-st., Torquay, one of the oldest breeders in the Fancy, has bred and shown scores of winners; has some nice young birds for sale, price from 10s. to £10; on approval. (93)

BARGAINS.—4 variegated 1914 Crestbred cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- each; 1 Crestbred hen, 12/6; would exchange one or more of the above for a good Crest hen, or one for a good Crestbred hen: Keynes, Kingston St. Michael, Chippenham, Wilts. (162)

A. LISTER, 106, Rectory-rd., Gateshead, has a very large stock of Crests and Crestbreds, cocks or hens for disposal at reasonable prices, green, clear and variegated, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-, 40/-, 45/-, 50/-, 60/-, 70/-, 80/- each; approval. (161)

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Crests, very heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, certain to breed winners, Palace winning strain, only 17/6; honestly worth £2; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (140)

W. GUTTERIDGE offers the following typical cold-room bred Crests and Crestbreds, dark crest, clear body cock (winner), clear buff Crestbred hen, 90/-; clear buff Crestbred cock (winner), dark Crest clear hen, 80/-; dark Crest wing-marked cock, 40/-; Grizzle Crest, clear cock, 15/-; yellow capped green Crestbred cock, 15/-; approval willingly, or exchange powerful binoculars: Grocer, Haliburton-rd., St. Margarets-on-Thames. (166)

T. GILBERT, winner at most leading shows, including championship Crystal Palace, can spare a few good Crests cheap to clear; clear body dark Crested cock, 50/-; with hen to match, 80/- the pair; variegated dark Crested cock, winner, 25/-; several large heavily feathered variegated Crestbred cocks 20/- each; 2 clear ditto, 15/- each; nearly green Crested cock, 12/6; two others, 10/6 each; 3 lightly variegated Crestbred hens, 10/6, 12/6; approval: Hope Cottage, Hill-st., Coventry.

CHAMPION 1914 exhibition dark Crested cock, immense perfectly formed drooping Crest, nicely centred, rare type and quality of feather; sure winner, only 30/-; honestly worth double for stock alone; also monster exhibition Crestbred hen, turnover to end of beak, immense size, rare type and quality of feather, only 35/-, or 55/- the pair; these are certain to breed a champion, also several other massive feathery Crested and Crestbred cocks and hens; price 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to £2 each; all cold room bred, Palace winning strain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (158)

T. J. KING. — Lovely clear yellow cock, large round light crest, a gem, 60/-; dark crested hen, 20/-; large yellow variegated Crest-bred cock, 40/-; large clear buff third coppy cock, 17/-; heavily feathered variegated Crestbred hen, good turn-over, 40/-; large green Crested cock, Greenwood and Benson's, 40/-; yellow green Crestbred cock, grand turnover, 35/-; variegated Crestbred cock, 12/-; green Crestbred cocks, grand turnovers, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; large green Crested hen, 37/-; green Crested cock, 20/-; immense variegated cock, lovely crest, 80/-; capped variegated cock, grand turnover, 40/-; ditto winner, 50/-; clear body, dark Crest hen, a gem, 70/-; giant clear buff Crestbred cock, 1st Cheltenham, £5; variegated dark Crested cock, perfect crest, a beauty, 70/-; young mop Crest cock, from two show Crests, 12/-; large clear buff cock, massive grey crest, £5; nearly green cock, long frontal crest, 35/-; Cinnamon crested cock, marked one wing, winner, £5; green Crestbred hen, good turnover, 25/-; capped flighted yellow Crestbred cock, show bird, 40/-; lovely green cock show Crest, a gem, £10; immense saddle marked dark Crest cock, 35/-; clear buff cock, large grey crest, 40/-; large yellow green Crestbred cock, extraordinary turnover, winner, £6, worth £10; large yellow green Crested cock, immense round crest, £10; superb buff cock, large, wide spreading grey crest, £6, worth £10; ticked buff cock, large dark crest, 25/-; clear buff crestbred hen, 20/-; approval: T. J. King, Ingogo, Cheltenham. (159)

Lancashires.

LARGE massive Lancashires, Plainhead cocks 12/6, hens 10/6 each, ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (91)

WANTED a large buff Coppy cock and 2 Plainhead hens, must be good: W. Marshall, 2, Haughton-terr., Waterloo, Blyth. (167)

Lizards.

SILVER Lizard cock, 10/-; 2nd Plymouth; or exchange Silver hen: Rowe, 19, Lipson-av., Plymouth. (163)

NOTE these figures! Lizard cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 3/- upwards, two for 5/6; cage 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich. (162)

REAL good Lizards, at 10/6 pair; clear cap gold cocks, at 9/6; clear cap gold hens, at 4/6: Wood, 20, North-rd., Hythe, Kent. (162)

GOLD cock, with two Silver hens, 20/-; Silver cock and Gold hen, 15/-; Gold or Silver cocks, 7/6, 10/6 each; 1914 birds; approval: J. Green & Sons, 256, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs. (156)

TWO young Silver cocks left; will sell or exchange any of them for gold cock as good; one won two 1sts, worth £1; splendid birds: George Naylor, 1, Cambridge-place, Rochdale. (155)

W. P. BARNES has one of the best strain of Lizards in England at prices half their value, winner at all English shows, championships, trophy and medals every time; approval: 23a, London-rd., Grantham.

W. P. BARNES, Breeder champion Lizards, winner Lancashire and Lizard Club Championship trophy, 1913-14 cocks, from 8/6; hen from 5/-; properly matched pairs from 15/-; approval: 23a, London-rd., Grantham. (1995)

Greens.

YORKSHIRE greens, 3 cocks, 6 hens, all buffs, 1911, splendid feeding strain, cheap: Holmes, 2, Kenmare-rd., Wavertree. (158)

GOOD singing cock Canaries, 5/-; 2 greens 6/-; also hens, yellows and buffs, 2/- and 2/6: Bridgland, Offices, Cranbrook. (157)

TYPICAL Yorkshires; yellow self cock, 1914, 10/6; ditto hen, 12/6, 7/6: wanted buff self cock: Hooper, 142, St. Owen-st., Hereford. (165)

LARGE, typical foul buff green Norwich cock for sale, 10/6; inspection invited; approval: J. Ashcroft, Farnworth-st., Widnes. (160)

CHAMPION Norwich, winner outright G.C.A. cup, 3 firsts, second, etc., last Palace show; prices reasonable; stamp: L. F. Harding, 29a, Market-st., Wellingborough. (92)

YORKSHIRE Greens, few good birds, reasonable; winner Liverpool B.B.A. novice cup, also most points Yorkshires, G.C.A. novice cup competition, 1915: G. Rogers, 11, Moss-grove, Liverpool. (156)

NORWICH Greens. 4 yellow cocks, unflighted; 5 buff ditto; 6 buff hens, 1914. Yorkshire Greens: 3 buffs, show birds, several yellow hens; reasonable to clear; no single hens; G.C., a cup winner 1915: F. Handley, 23, Coventry-rd., Wavertree, Liverpool. (157)

Norwich.

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J. C. BARNES, Norwich and Yorkshire specialist. Winner of numerous silver cups, medals, etc.; well-known strains. Better blood unobtainable. Grand specimens to spare; both varieties; reasonable; approval; inspection cordially invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

J. HODDER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of championships at Palace, etc.; good typical birds at reasonable prices; approval, stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

FRANK F. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle. Breeder and exhibitor. Champion Norwich, two yellow cocks, 25/-, 20/-; six buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; all cheap to clear; inquiries solicited.

JUDGE SILK, 27, St. Michel's Rd., Aldershot, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich, winner at all leading shows; inspection invited; show and stock birds at reasonable prices; approval.

A FEW cocks left, 5/- each to clear: Dr. Allen, Ambleside. (159)

CLEAN, healthy Norwich hen Canary, yellow, 3/6: Nott, Hawkshead, Hatfield. (162)

FIVE buff Norwich cocks, 1914, 7/- each: Miss F. Bird, Farcet, Peterborough. (89)

A FEW good hens to clear cheap: O'Hagan, 50, Back Monkton-rd., Jarrow. (156)

A FEW pairs of Norwich, 10/6 to 21/- pair: E. Homer, The Aviary, Bognor. (163)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch.

SEVERAL typical hens, 2/6 to 4/6 each: Parkyn, 18, Southampton-st., Fitzroy-sq., W. (159)

WANTED a pair of first-class Norwich: W. Marshall, 2, Haughton-terr., Waterloo, Blyth. (167)

FOR sale, about a dozen of Plainhead Norwich: J. Ritchie, Montrose-st., Brechin, Scotland. (164)

NORWICH Canaries for sale; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; well bred: Davidson, 17, Sutherland-rd., Bow, E.

EXCHANGE Rollers and British for clear Norwich hens, yellows, or buffs: Hamer, 53, David-st., Elton, Bury. (166)

EXTRA large good-headed buff hen, ready to mate, 15/-; very cheap; approval: Lawson, Public Park, Biggar. (157)

FEW grand pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, worth double; trial order; cash, appro., stamp: Girling, Harford-st., Norwich. (163)

TWO large yellow and one buff Norwich hens, one yellow cock; fed; sell cheap: Russon, 2, Bush-st., Burnley. (159)

TYPICAL yellow and buffs, cocks, 10/6 upwards; hens from 3/6: Pargeters, Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (162)

SEVERAL well bred Norwich cocks and hens, cheap, seen any time: Chamberlain, 12, Beyer-st., Gorton, Manchester. (158)

TWO healthy 1914 variegated hens, 1/9 each; hen Goldfinch Mule 1/-: Green, 96, Alma-rd., Winton, Bournemouth.

ONE clear buff hen, 7/6; one variegated 5/-, big birds; two for 10/-; approval: Dyson, 25, Wyndham-rd., Salisbury. (159)

NORWICH Canaries for sale; cocks 5/6, 6/6; hens 2/6; pairs 7/6, 8/6: J. Jackson, Witham-rd., Kirkstead, Lincoln. (151)

PRIZE bred Norwich cocks from 7/6; large heads; some winners, Barnes' strain; room wanted: Tripe, Parr-st., Exeter. (30)

FEW yellow and buff Norwich cocks left, cheap to clear; approval; stamp reply: A. Pirie, 255, Montrose-st., Brechin. (156)

RUSSELL AND TEASDALE'S winning strain Norwich cocks for sale, prices 10- to 100/-: Bouch-st., Bearpark, Durham. (165)

HAVE good 1913 and 1914 buff cocks to part with; prices reasonable; approval; stamp: Irons, Ivy-Road, Northampton. (140)

GRAND unflighted var. buff cock, make grand stock bird, 10/6; 2 songsters 5/-each: Clarkson, 21, Kingston-st., Middlesbro'. (161)

GOOD Norwich hens, 3/- each, heavily variegated cock, 6/6: Offord, 24, Little Welbeck-st., Cavendish-square, London, W. (157)

D. DEVOY has a few buff cocks and yellow cocks, four buff hens, 2 yellow hens, 8/- each, to clear: George-st., Stranraer. (165)

FIVE clear buff cocks, also yellow var. cock, all unflighted, prices reasonable; approval: Steven, 215, Montrose-st., Brechin. (163)

W. MILES, Aviaries, Chichester, has some grand Norwich, including several good buff hens, cheap; state wants; approval. (163)

BUFF Norwich cock, year bred, 7/6; buff hen, 3/-; cock Linnet Mule, 4/-; approval, deposit: Smart, 35, Culloden-rd., Arbroath. (155)

NORWICH Canaries, cock and 2 hens, 4-compartment; large breeding cage, £1 the lot: Butler, Quarter, Staplehurst, Kent. (163)

MASSIVE 1913 buff cock and unflighted variegated yellow hen, 17/6; hargain; approval: Flatt, 5, Bramford-lane, Ipswich. (169)

NORWICH Canary for sale, 20 pairs cheap, room wanted for breeding: Mr. W. Gilbert, 2, Cromwell-st., Red-lane, Coventry. (159)

FIVE magnificent Norwich yellow hens, 2/3 each, ready to breed: Knightbridge, Leonard House, George Lane, Woodford. (162)

EXCEPTIONAL bargains; yellow and buff hens from 3/-; ditto cocks from 7/6: Jay, S.N.P.C., 176, Astonville-st., Southfields (133)

FEW pairs of large colour-fed Norwich Canaries, sound, healthy, 10/6 pair; approval, stamp reply: Inspector Green, Beccles. (166)

WANTED, yellow Norwich cock; exchange grand 1913 Goldie, mule-breeder, large square blaze, healthy: Cook, Pembridge. (160)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich pairs, matched for breeding, 10/6, 15/6, 20/-, 1914 bred; approval: Thompson, 24, Cross-st., Spalding. (162)

TEN grand pairs Norwich Canaries, 10/6, 12/6 pair; 13 high-class Yorkshires, hens, 4/- to 7/6 each: Spann, Styvechale, Coventry. (159)

SALE, two Norwich cocks, 5/6 each; four nice hens, 3/-; 20/- lot; useful exchange: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (160)

TYPICAL yellow cocks, unflighted, two 7/6, one 10/-; buff ticked hen, 6/6: Bonniwell, 63, St. Quintin-avenue, North Kensington. (134)

G. DOWELL, 4, Beer-st., Yeovil, has few good Norwich for sale, yellow cock, 10/-; buff 8/6; yellow hens, 4/-; buffs, 3/-; approval. (114)

RETIRING from Fancy; prize strain, genuine bargains; cocks, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 3/6, 5/-: Briggs, Fruiterer, Turner-st., Ramsgate. (84)

A FEW good yellow hens and buff cocks, also cages and utensils; lot for disposal, seen any time: S. Ward, 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico. (155)

FEW yell. and buff Norwich hens, 3/- each; wanted Norwich show cages: Thompson, Confectioner, 63, Wellington-st., Luton. (162)

LARGE variegated buff cock, unflighted, splendid type, quality, and colour: Humphries' strain; 20/-: Robinson 73, Holgate-rd., York.

PEDIGREE bitch, smooth hair, two years, white body, even marked head, sell or exchange, 50/-: Fewster, Middlestown, Wakefield. (158)

HIGH-CLASS var. yellow cock, buff cock, 1 var, and 2 clear buff hens; reasonable prices; approval: Taylor, County Bank, Blackpool. (54)

GRANDLY bred clear yellow cock, exceptional head and substance, 30/- only; approval with pleasure: S. Jones, Lydgates, Lynton, Devon. (151)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich for show or breeding; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (139)

VERY large ticked buff hen, good head, 7/6; clear buff hen good one 7/6; clear yellow hen 7/6; approval: Whent, Butcher, Shoeburyness. (163)

NORWICH. 2 large yellow and buff cocks, with good heads, wings and feather, 10/6 each; approval: Chapman, 228, Bergholt-rd., Colchester. (155)

GENUINE bargains; 3 pairs well bred Norwich, unflighted, 8/6 pr., perfect condition; approval: Bircumshaw, Breach-rd., Marlpool, Derbys. (161)

TWO unflighted Norwich hens, fed, yellow and buff, short flights, exceptionally good heads and necks, 15/- each: Thomas, 387, High-rd., Leyton. (153)

VERY large variegated buff cock, good head, 21/-; ticked buff cock, 15/-; another good one, 12/6; approval: Whent, Butcher, Shoeburyness. (163)

NORWICH cocks, 2 yellow, 1 buff, grand birds, good condition, bred from winners, 7/6 each; approval: Ramsay, 36, Brechin-rd., Arbroath. (152)

FOUR good buff hens, cager to nest, good feeding strain, 3/6 each, or 12/- the four; approval: Wm. Reeder, Swan Street, Fakenham, Norfolk. (151)

CHAMPION Norwich, cocks or hens, very large, grand type, judge of many shows; reasonable, approval: Billington, 55, Coltwick-rd., Nottingham. (111)

BARGAIN, clear yellow, massive, deep chested cock, only 12/6; guaranteed fertile: Apply, Widdowson, 8, Gordon-rd., West Bridgford, Nottingham. (148)

SOME good stock birds, chiefly cocks, reduced to 10/6; typical, good wing carriage, fine quality: Barrows, 7, Grosvenor-cres., St. Leonard's-on-Sea. (139)

SIX pairs rich buff Norwich, large cobby birds, cold room bred, 2/- pair to clear; worth double; offer the lot; deposit: Wheeler, Griffin's Wood, Epping. (141)

I HAVE some splendid Norwich, hens 2/6, 3/6; cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; matched pairs, from 8/-; approval: Syd. Mothersole, 20, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (166)

ONLY a few well-matched pairs left from 30/-; right shape, lovely quality, best of condition; approval; Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (140)

MASSIVE, clear, unflighted yellow, also very large variegated, 2nd Woolston, see report; also several very large buffs from my champion strain: C. Silk, Emsworth. (159)

MR. ECKERSLEY offers large yellow cock, 20/-; unflighted buff, perfect type, lovely quality, 10/-; few other bargains: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (136)

A FEW good prize-bred cinnamon Norwich buff cocks, the late Judge Dobson's strain, 7/6 to 20/-: G. A. Parker, 17, Litchfield-avenue, Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (151)

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J. LITCHFIELD, 32, Tennyson-rd., Luton, winner of Lad's cup, and Norwich cup outright at Luton, has some grand birds to dispose of, cocks from 8/-, hens from 5/-; approval. (133)

THREE large yellow hens, 1 marked unflighted, 1 marked year-old, 1 clear 2 years, 7/6, 21/-; breeding condition; genuine cash; approval: Watson, 6, Kirkgate, Burnley. (151)

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WANTED, Canaries; exchange concertina, musical box, hairdresser's machinery, boot patching machine; or cash: Johnson, London House, Pembroke, Walthamstow. (162)

W. L. TAYLOR'S champion Norwich, can still spare several buff cocks and hens, at prices from 7/6 upwards; inspection invited at any time at: 35, Browning-rd., Leytonstone, E. (154)

HALHEAD, St. Helier, Foxley Hill-rd., Purley, wins Croydon Pairs Show, two firsts, second, third; cocks 7/6, hens 3/6, pairs 10/6 upwards; honest value; cold-room; stamp. (151)

MASON, champion Norwich, can spare one or two grand pairs; also a few good buff cocks will be offered at half value, room wanted; approval: 11, Victoria-sq., Elfa-st., Hull. (163)

CLEAR buff cock, 2nd open class, correct type and feather, sound health, suit anyone wanting a typical bird to double-buff, 16/-; approval: A. Bounds, 50, Melville-st., Northampton. (163)

WANTED, 6 unflighted Norwich hens, on approval, for cash or exchange breeding cages; bird-room appliances: Osborne, Fanciers Provider, 537, Dudley-rd., Wolverhampton. (160)

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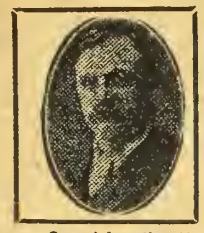

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St. John's Lane, Unstone.—I received birds this morning. The cock was singing in less than an hour. I am very well satisfied.—E. Knowles to Joe Thomas.

Clyde Avenue, Sheerness.—Received the pair of **Yorkshires** to-day quite safe. I am very pleased with them. They are a grand pair for the money.—W. E. Brooker to Joe Thomas.

Aitkens Buildings, Dipton, Co. Durham.—The pair **Norwich** arrived safe and sound, and are a splendid pair. Should I want any more you shall have my order.—J. T. Steel to Joe Thomas.

Melverley St., Wallgate, Wigan.—I am very well satisfied with the **Roller cock** you sent me. I had two friends to hear it, and they wanted to buy it, but I wouldn't sell.—J. Harrison to Joe Thomas.

Wisbech, Cambs.—One of my friends is so pleased with the birds you sent me, and wishes to have a set like them. Kindly send the following.—Hineacock to Joe Thomas.

Auchinleck, Ayrshire.—I bred a good buff cock from the **Norwich** hen you sold me 2 years ago. He was twice first at our local shows. I now require the following.—A. Whyper to Joe Thomas.

28, South St., Bargoed.—Received **Roller** safe. He is singing first rate. It is a treat to listen to the Roller and the Goldie Mule I had from you. I advise anyone that wants a good bird to send to you.—W. Blewitt to Joe Thomas.

New St., Underwood, Jacksdale, Notts.—I received the birds safe on Wednesday. I am delighted with both the **Yorkshires** and **Norwich.** I thank you for your prompt attention. I have never seen such healthy and clean birds sent out before. I shall recommend you to my friends.—C. H. Woodhouse to Joe Thomas.

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PRIZE-BRED Norwich, a few good buffs, both sexes, one yellow cock and green hen, also three 3-compartment breeding cages; all cheap to clear: J. Spoor, 15, Wood-st., Dunston. (152)

GOOD size and type, clear yellow Norwich cock, also a couple of very nice buff cocks for sale, approval willingly; reasonable prices: W. Casley, 11, Ebrington-rd., St. Thomas, Exeter. (166)

HOLDEN'S champion Norwich, the best strain in the North; large yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 40/- each; hens, 10/- to 40/- each; three days' approval; cash: 59, Hartington-st., Gateshead. (125)

EXCEPTIONALLY cheap Norwich cocks, in full song, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens (nesting), 5/-, 7/6, 10/6; winner 250 prizes, cups and medals: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (164)

REDUCTION in stock pairs, spare time being limited. Birds selected for own breeding now for disposal; prize strain; also few odd birds; splendid bargains: Murrell, Fanciers' Printer, Spalding. (167)

WELL bred Norwich, 3 yellow cocks, 1 buff, 10/- each, worth double, perfect health and condition, cold room bred, approval, cash or deposit, no postcards: H. Clemence, 151, Lordship-lane, East Dulwich. (163)

F. J. WEAVER, Paget-st., Wolverhampton, has for disposal Norwich, 3 yellow, 3 buff cocks, 7/6 to 10/- each; massive buff stock hen, 10/-; others from 4/- each; bred from winners; bargains. (164)

CHAMPION var. yellow Norwich hen, 1913, sister to my 1st prize winning var. yellow cock, Sittingbourne, Watford, etc., £2, cash or deposit Editor; approval: Rolington, Canterbury-rd., Whitstable. (159)

UNFLIGHTED clear yellow cock, 12/6; 3 variegated buff hens, 5/- each; the lot would make a grand set to breed from; best blood obtainable; first P.O. gets them: Davies, Bolshaw-rd., Handforth. (159)

JAMES STARK, absolute winner of the Norwich amateur challenge cup, offers stout variegated buff hen, third prize Norwich Alliance, price 40/-; yellow hen 10/6; approval, stamp: 110, Oak-st., Norwich. (161)

LARGE clear yellow cock, 12/6; variegated yellow cock, 10/6; two unflighted yellow Norwich hens, 6/6 each; 3 good unflighted buff hens, 5/- each: A. J. Underwood, The Aviaries, Wellington-st., Kettering. (160)

THREE yellow variegated Norwich cocks, unflighted, 12/6, 10/-, 7/6 each; buff variegated cock, 15/-; buff cock, 12/6; bull cock, 10/-; see wins Carlisle, Glasgow: Bell, 35, Clementina Terrace, Carlisle. (163)

EXTRA large yellow and buff cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- each, cold-room, 1914; no better stock birds anywhere; would exchange for fresh blood; approval: Keynes, Kingston St. Michael, Chippenham, Wilts. (162)

FIVE Norwich cocks one Yorkshire cock, 1914 birds, 10/- each to clear, bred from winners over 700 prizes, give lot and £2 cash for a good large yellow Norwich cock; cock first. Lovegrove, 43, King's rd., Henley-on-Thames. (163)

SIX good Norwich cocks, full song, 30/-; 6 hens, 16/6; approval, deposit: Roberts, Cley-next-Sea. (158)

CLEAR yellow Norwich cocks, 5/-, 6/-, full song; hens 2/-, 3/-, outdoor aviary, deposit: Northcote, Cove Manor, Farnborough. (159)

EDWARD DUDLEY, "Hazelden," Wrekin-rd., Wellington, Salop, has for sale 2 grand unflighted buff Norwich cocks, bred from 3rd Welsh National, correct type and grand quality, 10/6 each; yellow hen, 5/-. (162)

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F. J. LACCOHEE can spare a few large, typical yellow and buff stock Norwich, cocks from 10/6, hens from 7/6, champion songsters 7/6, feeding hens 4/- each; every bird full face value; approval: 92, St. George-st., Norwich. (153)

LARGE nearly green cock, with clear yellow hen, 15/-; clear buff cock, with clear or ticked yellow hen, 15/- per pair; clear yellow hens, 6/- and 8/- each; 1914 birds; approval: J. Green and Sons, 256, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs. (156)

GRAND Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- upwards; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- upwards; cold-room 1914 matched pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, cash; approval, deposit: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester; close to Midland Station. (118)

GRAND yellow and buff Norwich cocks, 8/6, 10/6; yellow and buff hens, 7/6, 10/6; 1914 birds; cold-room bred; all colour fed, bred from the late J. Harper's winners; cash or deposit: Mrs. Harper, 11, Napier-terr., Walsoken, Wisbech. (155)

MARTIN COOK wishes to dispose of 40 genuine Norwich, chiefly cocks, yellows and buffs, in one lot, accept 10/- couple; winners amongst them, cannot separate at this price; seen any time: 17, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth, W. (153)

CHAMPION Norwich at the Eastern Counties' Show, Ipswich, I won 4 1sts, Simpson's cup for best rung Norwich (see report, Feb. 20th), pairs from 17/6; no odd hens; state wants; approval, deposit, stamp: Clarke, 69, Felixstowe-rd., Ipswich. (154)

GREAT sacrifice, rich colour-fed, unflighted buff Norwich cock, thick set, cobby specimen, grand head, neck, short flights, full of quality, 1st Stratford, 3rd L.C.B.A., accept 15/-, given away: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (165)

TWO variegated buff Norwich cocks, 1914, 7/6 each; 1 clear yellow cock, 7/6; 1 clear buff cock, 10/-; 1 large clear yellow cock, 50/-; a few buff hens from 3/- to 10/-; all good sound birds: Joseph Dodd, Vicarage-st., Whetwick, Leicestershire. (160)

I HAVE for sale some grand, typical birds, yellows and buffs, cock, from 8/-, hens from 3/6 each; properly matched pairs, at 12/6, 15/-, 17/6 upwards; seen any time; approval anywhere: Silver, 92, Richmond-rd., Earls Court, London. (162)

POTTER'S champion Norwich. Grand clear buff 17/6, lightly marked buff, 17/6; splendid feather and colour; 4 pointed yellow, 17/6; all unflighted, cheap at double; few grand typical unflighted hens from 7/6; will breed good stuff: Goddard, Avenue, Hull. (167)

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Cod liver oil, cage bird food with added egg; keeps birds warm, healthy; 2d. and 1/6: Liverine, Grimsby.

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Norwich Plainheads, rare size, type and quality, certain to breed winners, only 12/6, honestly worth 25/-; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (140)

A. CRATCHLEY, noted Norwich, can spare few grand qual. unflighted buff cocks, clear and marked, quality unflighted buff cocks, clear and marked, bred same as my winners, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-; grand buff hen, 5/-; approval: Victoria-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (159)

HANDSOME pair Norwich Canaries, clear yellow cock, variegated hen, fit for exhibition, in perfect health and feather, with large breeding cage, accept 21/-; approval willingly if deposit; or exchange anything useful: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (166)

WINNING buff Norwich hen, rare giant, massive head, full neck, grand shape, style and type, 21/-; also massive framed marked yellow hen, exceptional specimen for this colour, 17/6, worth £5 5/-; such stock rarely offered, must sacrifice: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (165)

CHAMPIONS are exhibits which win. Why go on breeding with novice stock? You need not pay high prices. Send for champion stock cock, 1914 bred, yellow 25/-, buff 21/-; good all-round birds; should soon pay for themselves; approval, stamp: Brown, 35, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (157)

ONE of the best buff stock Norwich cocks living, rattling good top end and clean feather, free from Crest blood, a bargain, only 17/6, with lovely unflighted ticked yellow hen, bred from winners, 8/6, 25/- the pair; a bargain at 50/-; 6 days' approval, cash, or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (144)

TWO grand unflighted buff Norwich hens, good heads and necks, good size, real Bullfinch type, bred from big winners, only 5/6 each, 10/6 the two; good large yellow cock to match above hens, 10/6, or £1 the set; sure to produce winners; 6 days' approval; cash, or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (144)

BEING overstocked, I can part with good yellow cock and large buff hen, 1913 birds; cock won third only time shown, 20/- the pair; another well-matched pair, 1914 yellow cock and 1913 buff hen, 15/-; large buff cock, 7/6; buff hen, 8/-; buff marked hen, 6/-, 1913 birds, all Norwich; approval, deposit: James Thompson, Station-rd., Horschay, Salop. (162)

NORWICH bargains, to make room for breeding, marked yellow cock, good head and shape, and clear buff hen, cobby, nice feather, 25/- pair; marked buff cock, grand shape, and nice yellow hen, lovely pair, 35/-; few odd buff hens, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; secure these without delay; all from my well-known champion stud; approval, stamp: J. Hodder, 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

OWING to removal from Whitstable I must sell a great number of my champion Norwich. Have some grand matched pairs at £1 per pair, several pairs 40/-, no higher prices; grand yellow and buff cocks, 15/- to 30/-, hens 10/- to 25/-, no bounce here. The right sort, and the finest strain living; approval; note change of address of England's premier Norwich breeder and exhibitor: Judge Silk, 27, St. Michaels-rd., Aldershot. (135)

W. HOLME is entering the Fancy again and has some rare birds to dispose of, notably the following: Monster yellow Norwich cock, grand bird, feathered like silk, invaluable for stock, 15/-; typical, cobby buff hen, splendid substance, 7/6, or £1 the pair; this pair is in splendid condition, certain to breed winners; approval willingly: 26, Hillside-rd., Streatham Hill, London. (151)

OWING to business pressure, am disposing of my entire stock of Norwich Canaries and all appliances: 11 good buff hens, one good yellow hen, three buff and three good yellow cocks, and seven cinnamon one 20-cage rack and six single breeders, one large flight, 40 egg drawers, nest pans, etc., and three show cages, £8; excellent bargain for a beginner; inspection invited: Dan McNally, 10, Church-st., Great Harwood. (161)

E. BAKER, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Norwich, one of the best studs in the world, winner of 14 cups, 7-guinea shield, 25-guinea bowl, salad bowls, gold, silver, and bronze medals, diplomas for best Norwich at Crystal Palace, two L. and P.O. challenge cups won outright at Palace, etc.; also hundreds of other prizes too numerous to mention; some good birds, single and pairs, for sale at very reasonable prices; those who were disappointed last year should write at once: Victoria Aviaries, 13 and 14, High-st., Cowes, I.W.

GENUINE exhibition and stock Norwich; impossible to get better. (1) clear buff cock, good size, big in head and neck, A1 quality, a winner; also a grand unflighted yellow hen, lovely type and quality, good size, 60/- the pair, certain to breed winners; (2) marked buff cock, won 1st at Reading, nice size and lovely quality feather. I can also mate him to a tip-top unflighted yellow hen at 60/- the pair; also other good birds for sale; kindly state requirements; approval: C. W. Silk, Glen Rosa, Emsworth. (155)

MR. A. L. HAWKES offers the following classical Norwich and specimens that are difficult to get, and rarely, or if ever, offered by other known fanciers: Massive framed deep-chested buff Norwich cock, with magnificent head and neck, thick-set, deeply-fed, even flights, short tail, lovely wing carriage, perfect model all through, 30/-; also rich fed yellow cock, similar in every respect to the above, and for a yellow his equal will be hard to find, especially his size, 30/-; also one of the grandest buff hens ever seen, true to type, shape and size, full of quality, real gem, 25/-; the above are first-class typical stock, and of giant size, full of quality, and feathered to perfection; cold-room bred; approval anywhere: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (147)

CHAMPION NORWICH

Cocks, 6/6 to 12/6; hens, 4/6 to 10/6; pairs, 11/- to 20/-; yellow cock, winner, 40/-: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley. (142)

POWICK'S CHAMPION NORWICH

The same strain as the winners at all leading shows: cocks, large typical birds, good head and colour, 10/6; hens 5/6, 7/6 each; pairs mated to breed as once, 10/6, 15/6; a few winners 20/- pair; all honestly worth double; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (158)

I WISH I HAD KNOWN YOU SOONER

so said one buyer last week. This week am offering all my own breeding and colour-fed unflighted yellow cock and unflighted yellow hen, very typical pair, 27/-; unflighted yellow cock, 21/-; three others, 9/-, 10/6, and 12/6 each; buff cock, 8/6; unflighted, 8/6 and 10/6 each; two buff hens, 6/6 and 7/6; unflighted yellow hens, 6/6, 7/-, and 8/6 each; approval: W. Hudson, 117a, Gibbet-st., Halifax, Yorks. (165)

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Genuine Bargains

I am now offering a very choice collection of graud healthy hens, every one guaraunteed strong aud vigorous, and in perfect feather and coudition, at following prices:—

YORKSHIRE HENS, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

Norwich Hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

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Remember this please.—I will send birds to any address in the Kingdom, on 10 days' approval, at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to every customer, or cash returned in full.

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5 pairs of high-class Norwich, including winners; also cages for sale, cheap: Burchell, 6, Durlston-rd., Clapton. (168)

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Johnson, Norwich and Yorkshire Specialist, winner at all leading shows; better blood unobtainable; grand specimens to spare, both varieties, at reasonable prices; inspection invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 55, George-st., Leeds. (160)

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I find I have reserved a pair more than I conveniently have room for, so have resolved to dispose of the following: Clear buff cock, 1913, great size, fine type, good head and neck, paired to unflighted yellow variegated hen, fine size, short, deep chest, nice head, perfect wings and tail, both grand quality, hargain, 60/-; approval, cash or deposit: George Baxter, Highfield, Pochabers, N.B.

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Six great hig-headed Norwich cocks, four buffs, two yellows, marvellous size, the sort that produce champions; buffs 17/6, yellows £1; all honestly worth double; hens to match, 6/6; have them on six days' approval and see for yourself; cash or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (163)

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Norwich specialist, 25 years' study, winuer of many cups, etc., including Sheffield Challenge Cup (three years in succession); can spare few grand specimens, true type. A1 quality and colour, plenty of substance and correct carriage; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; several extra good pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

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Monster exhibition variegated huff cock, large broad head, massive deep chest, rare type and quality, one of the largest and best living, sure winner in keenest competition, only 63/-, honestly worth £5; also slashing exhibitiou clear huff cock, real model tor. type and quality, make champion stock bird, only 50/-, can soon win his cost; also massive exhibition clear yellow cock, immense head and neck, rare depth of chest, grand colour, type and quality, winner several prizes, only 55/-, honestly worth double for stock alone; also monster green buff cock, immense size, massive head and neck, feathered like silk, red hot in colour, only 35/-, simply given away; also choice exhibition clear yellow hen, grand size, type, colour and quality, short flights and tail, only 35/-; also choico exhibition yellow and buff hens, 25/- each; these will make toppers; also monster exhibition huff hen, real model for type and quality, feathered like silk, win anywhere, only 42/-, can soon win cost: also monster stock yellow cock, wonderful size and substance, certain to breed a champion, only 30/-; also massive stock buff cock, immense head and neck, grand size, type and quality of feather, only 25/-, recently cost £3; also several other monster yellow and buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 21/- to £3 each; also yellow and buff hens, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to £3 each; also judiciously matched pairs, certain to breed winners, only 15/-, 21/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/- to £7 10/- a pair, including many winners: rare chance for beginners or breeders wishing to improve their stock: all the above are strong and healthy and in perfect condition; all cold room bred. Hundreds of unsolicited testimonials received from well-known breeders and exhibitors, many noted winners, including Palace and other leading shows have been supplied by me, and for size, type and quality I defy competition: state your requirements fully and I will guarantee to give you full satisfaction; approval; cash or deposit: Leonard Wardinger, 2a, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (138)

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Sacrifice to Clear

All my winning Norwich, but three pairs buffs, unflighted cocks and hens, fine size, grand heads, lovely type, 10/- upwards; all yellows sold; approval, stamp: Rev. Nume, Harriugton, Cumberland. (158)

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ROLLERS, Fould's strain, club rung, cocks, 1914, 10/6, 12/6; hens 3/6, 4/6: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (161)

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WALTON'S champion glucke water glucke strain cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/-, 7/6: Walton, 6, Cross Green-eres., Leeds. (122)

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SEIFERT Rollers, grand young cocks, in full song, 7/6 and upwards; approval: Bennett, Snelston Hall, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (156)

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HIGH class Roller hens, cold room bred, 3s. each, two for 5/6; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Britton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (97)

WATER Glucke Rollers, good strain; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/- each; approval: Bennett, 1, Greenhow View, Burley, Leeds. (164)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

ROLLERS, winning strain, three 1913 green hens, B.R.C.C. rung, splendid feeders, 5/- each; approval: Hawkes, Regent-st., Wellingborough. Member B.R.C.C. (158)

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SIX Glucke and Water Glucke hens, B4 rung, Neugebauer strain, 4/-, 5/- each (cocks all sold): see show reports for wins this season: Atkinson, 1, Maltby-place, Hunslet, Leeds. (152)

ROLLERS, B4 rung, cocks 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; approval; bred from my cup winner International and Bacup, 1914: Broadbent, 80, Alverthorpe-rd., Wakefield. (94)

FIVE grand cocks left, brothers to my winners, Randall's direct, B.R.C.C. rung, B4, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- each; approval; also imported schoolmaster, 15/-; all hens sold: Hayward, Melksham. (161)

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TWO yellow cocks for sale, exchange either for good buff cock: J. Fleming, 166, Moor Park, Renfrew. (164)

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TO clear, few cocks 7/6, hens 3/6: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (162)

1914 buff cock, 1913 yellow hen; good birds, 15/- pair: Prentice, Newport, Wight. (159)

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YORKSHIRE cocks 7/-, hens 4/-, 10/6 pair: 1914, yellow, buff: Miss F. Bird, Fareet, Peterborough. (89)

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YORKSHIRES (1914), 9 hens, 2/6 each, 18/- the lot; clean, healthy, worth double: Clarke, The Cricketers, Chatteris, Cambs. (167)

YORKSHIRES, yellow and buff cocks, 7/6; yellow hens, 4/6; cold room bred: Jeffrey Pass, Quick-close, Melbourne, Derby. (159)

FINE typical Yorkshire yellow hen, non fed, only wants seeing, 7/6, cash or deposit: Thompson, Davidson-st., Lancaster. (151)

GRAND upstanding birds, unflighted yellow and buff cocks, 7 inches long, from 15/-: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (155)

GOOD birds, six cocks, 3 hens, clear and variegated, 4 breeding cages, particulars sent: Blakesley, Walton House, Hinckley. (157)

WANTED for export, large or small quantities of Yorkshires for cash: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (152)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, bred from winners, cocks from 12/6, hens from 5/-, room wanted: Owen, Bryn-terrace, Llanelly, Carm. (118)

T. CRAWHALL, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne, offers a few of his well-known strain, singles or pairs. (47)

CLEAR buff Yorkshire cock, 7in. long, grand stock bird, 12/6: approval, deposit: Dickens, 22, Elnor-st., Langley Mill, Notts.

YORKSHIRES, buff cock, 7/6; buff variegated cock, 7/6; two buff hens, 3/6; feeding hen, 2/6: Brooke, 19, Birkbeck-rd., S. Ealing. (153)

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ACTIVE service. Good class cocks and hens cheap, clears and cinnamons; inspection invited: Brownbill, 29, Mercer-st., Hulme, Manchester. (161)

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PAIR grand Yorkshire Canaries, suitably matched for breeding, with single breeding cage, 9/6 lot: N Atkinson, Brompton, Northallerton (160)

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CHAMPION Yorkshire cocks from 12/6, hens from 7/6; own breeding, inspection invited Harris, 9, Whitecross, Riverside, Richmond, Surrey. (89)

LARGE Yorkshire hens, clears, cold room, breeding condition, 3/6 each; worth double; also long yellow cock, 8/6; exchange Searle, Market Deeping. (158)

NOTICE. Grand lot York hires for show or breeding; prices reasonable, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (139)

YORKSHIRE Greens and clears, pairs or singly, several grand yellow cocks, prices to suit all, grand type and colour. Stewart, 8, Hornby st., Liverpool (157)

YORKSHIRE cock Canaries, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each, hens 1/6, 2/6 and 3/6 each, surplus stock bought for cash, or exchange. Luer, 87, Scalater-st., Shoreditch, London

FOUR pairs of Yorkshire Canaries fit for the show bench, 15/- the pair; worth double; approval with pleasure: T. Lloyd, 58, St. Michael-st., West Bromwich. (159)

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YORKSHIRE cocks, full song, 1914, cold room bred, buffs 7/-; hens, breeding condition, yellows, buffs, variegated greens, 3/6, 4/-: Adey, 56, St. Mary-st., Weymouth. (162)

HASTINGS Show; eight firsts, six seconds, silver cup and trophy, Yorkshire Canaries, single or pairs; prices to suit everybody; approval: Wraight, Hosier, Tunbridge Wells. (150)

CRISP'S strain; two long buff and yellow unflighted hens, 7/6 each; buff cock, 12/6; offers wanted for the three: Hannaford, 65, St. Quintin-avenue, North Kensington. (137)

TYPICAL long clear buff Yorkshire cock, unflighted, 8/6, worth double for stock; own breeding; bargain; week's approval; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Sheffield. (146)

YORKSHIRES; 4 grand young cocks, cold room bred, in full song, 7/6 each, worth double; 3 hens, 3/- each; no letters: 26, Greenhundred-rd., Peckham Park-rd., Peckham. (149)

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HIGH class typical Yorkshires, 1914, cold room, cocks 6/6, 7/6, hens 3/6, 4/-; 4 days' approval; cash or deposit system; inspection any time: Gaut, 112, Churchfield-rd., Acton, London. (115)

C. CATTELL, Breeder and Exhibitor, has about 30 Yorkshires for sale from 10/6 pair, or exchange for leather or anything for the boot-repairing trade; approval: 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle. (163)

HAVE still left 2 pairs Yorkshires, yellow, yellow-marked cocks, with buff, buff marked hens, full colour, 12/6 pair; only wants seeing; buff hens 5/-, unflighted: J. Brewin, Ray-st., Heanor. (159)

MR. HORACE N. HARVEY has still a few exceptionally well-bred birds to dispose of, and the present time affords a rare opportunity for securing reliable stock birds: Churchgate, Spalding. (133)

ONLY 3 pairs left of high-class Yorkshires, bred by me and related to my winners at Liverpool, Manchester, Warrington, etc.; 15/- and 20/- per pair: Knowles, 59, Market-st., Earlestown, Lancs. (152)

YORKSHIRES, in the pink of condition; three stylish buff cocks, two yellows, 8/6; four buff hens, over standard length, 5/-; unflighted yellow hens, 4/6: Collins, Church-st., Castleton, Nr. Manchester.

YORKSHIRES, a well matched pair, unflighted yellow cock and buff hen, 20/-; this pair is well worth attention if you want something really good; approval: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (138)

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JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/6, 7/6; pairs, 8/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: 48, Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire.

TYPICAL high-class Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/-, 4 10/6; pairs from 10/-; Cinn. mkd. buff cock, 10/6; green mkd. buff cock, 12/6; a bargain; room wanted: R. Baxter, 98, Dames-rd., Forest Gate, E. (165)

KING'S celebrated Yorksbires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6 upwards; hens 4/6, 6/6, 10/6, approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (163)

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HIGH class Yorkshires, grand typical healthy birds, in fine condition, from my winners, cold room, yellow and buff cocks 8/6, buff hens 5/-; approval willingly; Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (111)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, bred from winners; yellow and buff cocks from 10/- each; a few very stylish buff hens, from 7/6 each; all in the pink of condition; some winners cheap: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (66)

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YORKSHIRES, smart, healthy cocks, full song, 7/6 to 15/- (some 7 inches) fine feather, hens 5/-, pairs to breed winners 12/6 to £1; all prize bred; on approval with pleasure, deposit: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (160)

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MAGNIFICENT lot upstanding York hire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept, four days' approval, 50 years breeder and exhibitor Frank Stevens, Great Axton, Yorkshire. (27)

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YORKSHIRES, splendid clear buff cock, unflighted, 8/6; matched grand clear yellow hen, 4/-; pair, 12/6; clear yellow cock, good bird, 8/6, with buff hen 4/-, pair 12/-; sacrifice to clear, both pairs 22/-; own breeding, ready for breeding; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Sheffield. (123)

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CHAMPION Yorkshires: owing to illness we are reducing our breeding stock, and offer some extra fine pairs, matched to breed Palace champions, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; wonderful length, feathered like wax; also a few real clinking hens, full of style and quality, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-: all real class and worth double to breed from. Our Yorkshires have been unbeatable for over 30 years, winning thousands of prizes and championships leading shows, four times championship Crystal Palace, including special for best in show, Palace, 1914, besides supplying some of the biggest champions benched; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Messrs. Ambler, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire. (164)

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not only win themselves, but breed winners also; an established strain; 30 for disposal; cocks from 10/6; hens from 5/-: Foxen, 8, Aberdeen buildings, Bromley, Kent. (130)

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Bailey's strain, all bred from expensive stock, rung with BL1914 rings, grand quality, money returned if any bird fails to give complete satisfaction: cocks, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 3/-, 5/-, 10/- each: Stripe, Grocer, Selby, Yorkshire. (140)

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The same strain as the winners at all the leading shows. Cocks 7/6, 10/6; hens 5/6, 7/6 each; pairs mated to breed at once, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; all honestly worth double; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire. (158)

HIRST'S

Yorkshires, wins at all big shows. Buff cock, 1st Manchester, £5; three stylish young cocks, bred from my own Manchester, Leicester, Glasgow winners, 15/-, 20/-; pairs, 30/-, 40/-; matched to breed show birds; approval, inspection invited: 17, Ramsbottom st., Accrington. (136)

J. BROOKS

has a few grand Yorkshires for sale; all bred from winners; cocks 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens 4/6, 6/6, 8/6 upwards; pairs 10/6 upwards; approval: 320, Ainsworth-lane, Tong Moor, Bolton. (161)

QUALITY, STYLE AND POSITION

High-class Yorkshires, cocks and hens, 1914, from my winning strains; long, slim, typical birds, full of quality, style and position; cocks, 7 inches long, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; hens, standard length, guaranteed feeders, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 upwards; remember, I guarantee cocks in full song and to fertilise every egg; hens guaranteed to lay a full nest of eggs without showing any signs of being egg-bound; approval, on receipt of cash; stamp reply: W. Dowd, 1a, Rowell-square, Rowell-st., Salford. (144)

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Twitterings.

Mr. J. H. Roe will judge Abertillery C.B.S. open show on Oct. 20, writes Mr. H. H. Mortimer, hon. sec.

Prize-money has been paid for Bathgate; specials will follow later, writes Mr. A. Nicol, hon. sec. Thanks to exhibitors for their loyal support.

I obtained a copy of your book, "Our Canaries," a few days ago, and am very pleased with it. Anyone who keeps birds is foolish to be without a copy.—E. G. S. Everard (Sheffield).

We wish to correct a slight error on the front page of last week's Cage Birds. Our unflighted buff was placed 5th at the recent Welsh National show, not Dr. Wood's, as stated, his bird standing seventh.—Stubbs Bros. (Cheltenham).

The London and Provincial O.S. has engaged Mr. House, of Bradford, to give a lecture on the Yorkshire Canary at the monthly meeting at the Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street (adjoining the old G.P.O.) next Thursday, Mar. 18, at 8. All fanciers and friends invited, admission free.

I wish to draw the attention of members and intending members to our meeting to be held Mar. 20, at 7, in Penman's Masonic Arms, Cowdenbeath, writes Mr. W. Grewar, Vice-Pres., Fife and Kinross P.H.C. I hope that everyone interested in the variety will make an effort to attend this, our annual general meeting.

We are notified of the following changes of secretaryship: Greenock, Port Glasgow, and Gourock O.S., J. Dooley, 20, Ben View Terrace, Prospect Hill, Gourock, in place of Mr. C. Bryden; Oldham C.B.A., G. Mills, 26, Douglas Street, in place of Mr. J. Cope; Redhill C.B.S., G. Martin, 1, Hatchlands Road, in place of Mr. A. W. Bacon.

The competition and other specials of the Y.C.C. and Cinn. Mkd. Y.C.C. will be presented at a smoking concert at Market Tavern, Bradford, at 6 p.m. on Mar. 20. An enjoyable evening is being arranged by the secretaries, and it is hoped that as many members as possible will attend. The Greenmkd. Y.C.C. will probably present their prizes at the same meeting.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S. have decided to hold their annual open show on Nov. 27, writes Mr. R. Symonds, the hon. sec. We have altered our date from October on account of clashing with Burton show, and have engaged that well-known judge, Mr. H. W. Battye, so we trust fanciers will give us their best support. This show will be held at our new headquarters, the Sydenham Palace, Ford Street.

I would feel indebted for an opportunity to publicly thank, through Cage Birds, the Management of the Welsh National show for the excellent business way in which they carried everything through, writes Mr. S. Wilson (Hamilton). The attention given to packing exhibits for the return journey was superb, and I would say that if ever a show catered for future support, certainly this Welsh fixture has.

The balance-sheet of the Bournemouth C.B.A. shows the nice balance of £42 7s. in hand. This is slightly less than the amount with which the year was started, the reduction being due to a loss on the show held in place of the annual open show, which was abandoned, owing to the strenuous times prevailing. The state of the finances must be considered exceedingly satisfactory in the especial circumstances. Besides the cash balance, the society possesses quite a number of silver challenge cups and other special prizes. The hon. sec. is Mr. G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth.

The Blackbird's "Bath Towel."

We have not many mossgrown walls here, but I know one or two, and was taking a rest on one when I saw a Blackbird alight some yards farther on. It had come straight from a bath in a deep puddle made by the rain. Before arranging its dripping plumage, it deliberately gathered a whole beakful of the thick moss off the wall, and dried first one wing with it, rubbing down the feathers, and flinging away the moss when wet, and, gathering some dry, then put the other wing through the same energetic process.—Minnie M'Kean, in "The Scotsman."

Cheerful News.

We were very pleased to see, in a note received this week from that well-known Liverpool dealer, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, the statement that "business is grand" with him.

Some Shows of Next Season.

The following show dates have been fixed. Will secs. please note, in order to avoid clashing: Cowdenbeath C.B.S., Nov. 20; Garston B.B.A., F.F. show, June 26; Coventry Godiva C.B.S., Nov. 27; Leeds Roller C.C., Nov. 12-13; Hanley C.B.S., Oct. 14; Blaydon-on-Tyne C.B.S., Nov. 12-13; Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S., Oct. 22-23; Rossendale Roller C.C., Nov. 19-20.

When Do the Hens Lay?

A writer in "The Zoologist" concludes from long and careful observation on his own account that birds lay their eggs, not during the night or in full day, but between the hours of five and eight of the morning. Well, says a correspondent of the "Newcastle Daily Journal," I have just been telling this to a friend of mine, a pitman, who keeps poultry out Backworth way. He says it is all nonsense, because he has a black Spanish hen which lays all her eggs in the afternoon, and a Canary which lays her's towards nightfall.

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Mr. W. Hodson, who for several years so ably filled the position of hon. sec. of the Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S., has, we regret to learn, recently been laid aside by a rather sharp illness. All will unite in wishing him a speedy return to complete convalescence.

More Fanciers at the Front.

Two members of the Blaenavon C.B.S., Mr. J. Daniels and Mr. H. Durham, are now serving their King and Country, the former in Lord Tredegar's Naval Brigade and the latter in the Naval Reserve Ambulance Corps, writes Mr. G. J. Jones, sec., and it was decided at the last meeting that they should be free members as long as the war lasts. All their stock was divided amongst the members to look after, and it is to be hoped that they will soon be amongst their pets again. A most hearty send-off was given them.

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"I beg to thank you for so kindly accepting my advertisement on Tuesday evening. The birds mentioned were sold by first post Saturday and were applied for over and over again."—A. MILLER (Sydenham.)

"Kindly inform all enquirers who sent letters, telegrams and postcards re Scotch Fancies that I have disposed of same, it being impossible to answer every one individually. This result speaks well of your very valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS."—JAMES DUNCAN (Inverness).

"Kindly apologise to all enquirers for my canaries and mules. It would cost me a tidy bit to answer all the cards, and I have answered the first dozen, but now cry "halt!"—G. W ARMES (Broxbourne).

"Pleased to say I am having good sales for my aviaries and cages through CAGE BIRDS. In fact we are working overtime to cope with orders."—J. MARTIN (Castle Douglas).

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"I wish to thank the numerous customers who applied for mealworms. I had two wires before 9.30 on Friday morning, and I do not have my CAGE BIRDS until 11 a.m.; also a host of letters poured in all day Saturday and first post Sunday. I have sold all I had to spare, and could have sold fifty times the amount. This speaks well for your good paper. The motto of the bird Fancy, at any rate, is 'Business as Usual.' I am sure fanciers need not hesitate to advertise their surplus stock in CAGE BIRDS."—RALPH BLAKE (Ross-on-Wye).

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Should Birds Live on Canary Seed Alone?

A Reply to: "Is Mixed Seed as Bad as a Disease?"

SIR,—There might perhaps be something to be said in favour of the contention of Mr. Balcombe that Canaries and other small hardbills can be kept in good health and plumage for years by being fed solely upon canary seed, if he had added this very important stipulation, namely — providing always that the seed be of the very best kind obtainable. Personally, though, with an experience of most kinds of birds extending over a period of nearly forty years, I should no more think of putting my stock upon such a very restricted menu as that suggested, no doubt in very excellent faith, by Mr. Balcombe, than I would condemn humans to eat nothing but bread and butter for the remainder of their lives. I am well aware that the homely loaf is our staple food, and that it might be possible to exist upon bread alone for some length of time, but its horrible *sameness* would to the average Britisher be simply appalling, and life would become absolutely unbearable. Would Mr. Balcombe, it may be pertinent to ask, tolerate it?

So with our feathered pets. As long as we take charge of their interesting little lives it becomes our bounden duty to them to try and bring as much sunshine into their existence as is possible. This, to my mind, can only be accomplished by giving them plenty of change in their diet, never, of course, feeding to excess. Birds thoroughly enjoy variety in their food; and in this respect they remind me of 'Arriet of the classic story. This young lady, as most of us know, after partaking of a six-course dinner at one of the Ritz Hotels with her pearly-bedecked spouse, remarked, on looking over the menu: "'Arry, we haven't had no '*ad lib.*' Arsk the waiter for it!"

To straightway affirm, as Mr. Balcombe does, that "mixed seed is a kind of disease," seems to me to be rather dangerous in a public journal having the very wide circulation of Cage Birds, inasmuch as some novices in the Fancy might possibly be induced to adopt the tendered advice without thinking to ascertain first of all anything about the *quality* of the canary seed they purpose placing their birds upon to the exclusion of all other seed. Mr. Balcombe will know, of course, there is canary seed and canary seed, and inasmuch as he states that his birds have lived to a good age and kept in sound plumage on this seed alone, he has presumably been lucky enough to always secure the best. But to feed birds solely on some of the samples of canary seed that I have seen on sale would quickly spell disaster. I would not give it to even a German Canary! It is for this reason that I have taken the liberty of encroaching upon your valuable space to offer a few hints as to the feeding value of certain of our most popular seeds.

To take first canary. This is both a muscle and heat-forming food, and contains plenty of carbon and nitrogen. It is thus well fitted to form the staple diet of the Canary. The seed, however, should always be that of the Spanish variety (sun dried), bold, dry, and bright. If small, dull, and damp it should at once be rejected as it is then usually kiln dried, and contains a dangerous amount of sulphur—deleterious to bird life. The very best seed is always the cheapest in the end. Of rape seed, that known as summer (a small reddy-brown seed) is to be preferred to black or winter rape, as the latter is very relaxing.

Hemp seed is fattening and stimulating, but is useful given to old birds sparingly during cold weather. It should then be slightly crushed, and any left over thrown away, as it has a tendency to turn rancid when shelled.

Maw seed possesses valuable medicinal properties, is nourishing and rich in oil. What leading fancier does not give this seed to his birds as a pick-me-up? It is invaluable for all hardbills, and should never be withheld.

Niger is oily, and nesting hens fed upon it sparingly seldom suffer from egg-binding. I do not much believe in the feeding properties of either red or white millet, albeit I always keep sprays of it in my cages for the birds to amuse themselves with. Gold of Pleasure, like maw, is a really fine "conditioner,' and I have always obtained good results from its use.

As a staple food Canaries should always have a plentiful supply of the best Spanish canary seed, and each bird a teaspoonful every other day of the following mixture: Equal parts gold of pleasure, summer rape, and maw. On the day the mixture is not given the birds can have a piece of ripe apple or banana during cold weather, and seedy chickweed in the summer months. During the winter hemp seed may also be added to the above-named mixture with advantage.

A good stock mixture for Goldfinches is made up thus: Canary ½-lb., teazle ¼-lb., linseed ¼-lb., summer rape ¼-lb., maw 2 oz. A spoonful of hemp and half a teaspoonful of niga should be given every other day, and on the alternate days a supply of the following wild seeds should be furnished—knapweed, thistle, and dandelion. The latter tones the bird's system, whilst the minute maggots found by the birds in the wild seed forms a valuable natural food for most British hardbills.

Linnets will also do well on the above diet, with the addition of ripe shepherd's purse, of which they are passionately fond. One can usually gather these wild seeds when in season, and they can be stored up, but town dwellers can in any circumstances usually obtain a supply from firms advertising in this paper.

John B. Waterman.

Dulwich.

The Shows.

EASTWOOD.

Combined show of the Ilkeston, Eastwood, and Codnor Park Societies, at Eastwood, Feb. 13. Mr. E. Wilcox, Sawley, judged. In Nor., B. Simpson won 4 1sts and F. White one. In Nov. Nor., W. Bradley won 3 1sts and 1 2nd; P. Anthony 1 1st and 3 3rds; F. White 1 1st.; W. Bickinghottom and W. Evans 1 2nd. In Yorks, A. Kew secured 4 1sts. BULLF.: 1, Keighley; 2, Beers. LINNET: 1, Keighley; 2, Smith. GREENF.: 1, 2, Henshaw; 3, Keighley. REDPOLL: 1, 2, Henshaw; 3, Kew. TWITE, ETC.: 1, 3, Smith; 2, Evans. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH: 1, Henshaw; 2, Beers; 3, Smith. A.O.V.: 1, Beers.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Pair show, Feb. 18, Kelvedon Hall, Walham Green. Quality was quite high class, particularly in Yorks., novice and Borders, while one or two of the leading pairs in Norwich were particularly well matched, and should produce something good. Mr. Bowring makes a most energetic sec., and everything was well arranged. He was assisted by Mr. Harrison, the chairman, Messrs. Piggen, Larking, and others. The society has gone through some rather troublous times, but we are glad to say by good management they are once more running strongly. Mr. H. Norman judged.

YORKS., CHAMP.: 1, 3, vhc, c, Jeffreys; 2, hc, Whiteman. BORD.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, Green; 2, c, Harrison. NOR.: 1, vhc, Gregory; 2, 3, Thrower. YORKS., NOV.: 1, 3, vhc, c, Piggen; 2, Bowring. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Hine. A.O.V.: 1, Newbury. FINCH: 1, Thrower; 2, 3, hc, Newbury; vhc, Mrs. Jeffreys. BRIT.: 1, vhc, hc, Garrod; 2, 3, Thrower; c, Mrs. Jeffreys.

DALTON C.B.A.

Annual open and members', Jan. 16, Nelson Street Schools. Entries were well up to last year's total, 126. Norwich were not up to expectations as regards number, but quality was excellent. Mr. S. Mullliner (Lancaster) judged, and gave every satisfaction.

OPEN YORKS BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Coulson, beauties, grand type and style, lovely head and neck, M wing carr., beautifully cut away, little between them; vhc, Woodward; hc, Harrison; c, Henderson and Crosby. YELL.: 1, Coulson, smart sle k upstanding cl., lovely feather, grand legs, wings and tail; 2, Henderson and Crosby, cl., grand length, lovely type and qual., hardly so nicely rounded; 3, Woodward, beautifully moulded, stands well; vhc, c, Miss Winder; hc, Harrison. NOR.: 1, vhc, hc, McFarlane, gem of a cl., rare col., beautifully frosted, grand qual., rare shape and style; 2, 3, Niel, grand Nor., but hardly the subs. of leader. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Fisher and Dixon; vhc, Baines; hc, Shackley; c, Niel. COTTAGERS: 1, Round; 2, Gibson; 3, Preston; vhc, Mrs. McIntyre; hc, Mrs. Williams; c, Mrs. High. MEMBS. NOR. YELL.: 1, Falshaw; 2, 3, Park. BUFF: 1, 2, Park; 3, Falshaw. HEN: 1, Park; 2, Falshaw. YORKS YELL.: 1, 3, Miss Winder; 2, vhc, Coward; hc, Hale; c, Fenton. BUFF: 1, Coward; 2, Miss Winder; 3, vhc, Fenton; c, Houldsworth. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Miss Winder; 2, Fenton; hc, Coward; c, Houldsworth. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, vhc, Saul; 3, hc, Hale; c, Houldsworth. BUFF: 1, vhc, c, Hale; 2, 3, hc, Saul. HEN: 1, 3, Saul; 2, hc, Hale; vhc, Houldsworth. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Miss Winder; vhc, Hale; hc, Brown; c, Coward. W. Saul, Hon. Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Show, Feb. 24, at Church Institute, 60, Paddington-st., with a record entry of 303, comprising the cream of 66 members' breeding pairs, and a unique sight of type, quality, and staging. Undoubtedly the popularity of the Canary judge, Mr. R. L. Crisp, had an enhanced effect upon the entry, there being 59 Plainheads, 64 Yorks., and 31 Borders, the highest individual class being the Nov. Yorks., with an entry of 37. Medal for best champ. pair was won by Mr. J. Hawes' splendid pair of Yorks.; Amat., Mr. E. C. Offord's Nor.; and Nov., Mr. M. Runchman's beautifully moulded pair of Yorks., the latter also winning the first year Nov. sp. Mr. C. Prior carried all before him with his superbly staged Goldfinches and Linnets, whilst Mr. Marley's Blackbird outrivalled his old Palace winning Great Grey Shrike. The Hon. Mrs. Bourke's pair of Sugar Birds, looking their best, easily secured the Foreign honour. The Border Fancy cup was won by H. Hobden, the Wynn cup resulted in a tie between Mr. F. W. Ayers and W. Large; British, J. Marley; Champ. Lady's teapot, Mrs. Hobden. The Nov. Lady's teapot, and the Foreign cup fell through for lack of competition. With the able assistance of the Assist. Secs., Mr. F. Thynne; vice-chair, A. W. Curtis, Mrs. and Miss Thynne, W. Sanders, A. Marks, P. Burch, W. Large, W. Withers, and J. Overman, everything went off with clockwork-like precision. There was a large gathering of London's well-known fanciers, besides a fair muster of the public. Mr. R. L. Crisp judged Canaries, and Mr. Allen Silver Brit. and For.

NOR., CHAMP. (20): 1, 2, Martin; 3, vhc, sp, Butterfield; ex. vhc, Mrs. Thynne; hc, c, Smith. AMAT. (22): 1, sp, Offord; 2, c, Burt; 3, hc, Thurley; ex. 3, vhc, ex. vhc, Large. NOV. (17): 1, 3, Head; 2, hc, Robertson, vhc, Ratcliffe, Bonniwell and Son; c, Dossett. CREST, CHAMP (7): 1, sp, Mrs. Thynne; 2, Smith; 3, Mrs. Curtis. AMAT. (1): Beavington. NOV. (1): Poulton. YORKS, CHAMP. (20): 1, sp, ex. 3, Hawes; 2, 3, vhc, sp, ex. vhc, Ayers; hc, c, Sanders. AMAT. (4): 1, 2, vhc, Beavington; 3, Mugford. NOV. (3): 1, sp, 2, Runchman; 3, Hannaford; ex. 3, vhc, sp, Piggins; ex. vhc, Burch; hc, Withers; c, Rumble. BORD. FANCY, CHAMP. (28): 1, 2, Hobden; 3, vhc, sp, Mugford; ex. 3, hc, Mrs. Salter; ex. vhc, c, Pegg. BORD., NOV (3): 1, 2, 3, Hine. GOLDFCAN (4): 1, sp, Mrs. Hobden; 2, Offord; 3, Battison; vhc, Beavington. LINN. CAN. (3): 1, Mrs. Hobden; 2, Beavington; 3, Taylor. GREENF. CAN. (4): 1, Mrs Hobden; 2, Battison; 3, Beavington; vhc, Dossett. CAN OR B.B. BULLF. HEN (5): 1, Offord; 2, vhc, Clark, 3, hc, Beavington. A.O.S. FINCH CAN (3): 1, Mrs. Hobden; 2, Smith. BETWEEN 2 BRIT. (3): 1, Lathbury; 2, Clark; 3, Beavington. NOV. FINCH CAN (5): 1, 2 spls, Overman; 2, Mrs. Allison; 3, hc, Thomas; vhc, sp, Thrower. BETWEEN 2 BRIT. (1): vhc, Thomas. HYB. (9): 1, 2, hc, Nicols; 3, Sanders; vhc, sp, Hobden; c, Ratcliffe. GOLDF. H.M. (9): 1, sp, Prior; 3, Beavington; vhc, Runchman; hc, Offord; c, Thrower. F.M. (3): 1, Thrower; 2, Offord, 3, Beavington. BULLF (1): 1, Hobden; 2, Thrower; 3, Lathbury; vhc, Beavington. LINNET, H.M. (5): 1, Prior, 2, Hobden; 3, Clark; vhc, Burt; hc, Beavington. F.M. (4): 1, Prior, 2, Beavington; 3, Marley; vhc, Clark. GREENF., H.M. (4): 1, Beavington; 2, Mrs. Allison; 3, vhc, Clark. F.M. (2): 1, Clark; 2, Beavington. SISKIN (1) Beavington. REDPOLL (7): 1, 2, vhc, Marley; 3, Beavington, hc, Thrower. TWITE (7): 1, 2, Marley; 3, hc, Beavington; vhc, c, Clark. CHAFF. AND BRAMBLE (7): 1, 2, Marley; 3, Mrs. Allison; vhc, sp, Beavington; hc, Lathbury; c, Offord. A.O. FINCH (3): 1, 2, Marley. A.O.S. BUNTING (2): 1, 2, Marley. BULLF. HEN (4): 1, Smith; 2, Offord; 3, Beavington; vhc, Runchman. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING HEN (2): 1, Marley; 2, Offord. SOFTBILLS, SMALL (3): 1, Mrs. Thynne. LARGE (2): 1, sp, 2, Marley. LOVE-BIRDS, ETC. (3): 1, Miss Thynne; 2, Mrs. Thynne; 3, Hon. Mrs. Bourke. WAXBILLS, ETC. (4): 1, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 3, vhc, Brumbridge. A.O. SEEDEATER (5): 1, 2, 3, Mrs. Thynne; vhc, sp, Dossett; hc, Brumbridge. THRUSHLIKE, ETC. (4): 1, Mrs. Allison. FRUIT OR INSECTIV. (2): 1, sp, Hon. Mrs. Bourke.

SOUTH LONDON COL. F.A.

Pair show; a very fine collection of quite high-class stock; every variety was well represented, and it was quite a keen fight for some of the specials. Mr. Horton put down a grand team of Crests and C.B., and won sp. best in show with a lovely pair. Special best champ. Yorks. was secured by Mr. Fairman, best nov., Mr. Fuller, also spl. best Bord. Mr. Burton acted as sec., and everything was quite in order. Mr. H. Norman judged.

NOR. CHAMP.: 1, 2, Tomsett. YORKS., YELL. CK.: 1, 4, vhc, Fairman; 2, 3, Clark; hc, Cant. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Fairman; 3, Clark; vhc, hc, Cant. BORD., YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Burton Bros. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Burton Bros. CRESTS: 1, 2, 3, 4, Horton. NOV. NOR., YELL. CK.: 1, 3, 4, Fuller; 2, Whiffen. BUFF: 1, Whiffen; 2, 3, 4, Fuller. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Fuller; 4, vhc, Cooper. BUFF: 1, 2, Fuller; 3, Martin; 4, Cooper. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Martin; 2, 4, Joplin; 3, no name; vhc, hc, Williams. BUFF: 1, 4, hc, Joplin; 2, 3, no name; vhc, Martin. HYB. PAIRS: 1, Fairman; 2, 3, Whiffen.

PORTSMOUTH & S. COUNTIES.

Annual members' show, Long's Memorial Hall, Feb. 17, 87 entries, not so large a muster as might have been expected considering the expressed wishes of so many members that a show should be held. Mr. Olding makes a very efficient sec., and he was ably backed up by Messrs. Matthews, Saunders, Walker, and other hard-working members. Their efforts deserved more appreciative support. Mr. C. E. Silk judged, and his awards were well received.

CL., ETC., YELL. NOR. (4): 1, 2, C. W. Silk, leader excels in shape and col.; 2, not quite the cond.; 3, Parkes, nice cobby bird, less in size; hc, Cheeseman. BUFF (2): 1, Saunders, in fine form; 2, Parkes, quite as good, but needs a wash to win. TKD. or UNEVEN (4): 1, Saunders, yell., fine shape and col., not over large; 2, Cheeseman, loses on cond.; 3, C. W. Silk, bit patchy in col.; vhc, King. HEN (4): 1, 2, C. W. Silk, 1, buff, fine shape and cnbs.; 2, very nice yell.; 3, Saunders, close up. UNFLIG. (4): 1, sp, C. W. Silk, L. and P.O.S. winner, a grand buff; 2, Saunders, very typical; 3, 4, Cheeseman. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, sp., Matthews, best in show, grand lengthy bird; 2, 3, hc, Olding, very nice ones, made a good fight; vhc, Newman; hc, c, Oakley. BUFF (4): 1, 3, Olding, boxy feather, good pos.; 2, Moore, in fine form, another tight race; hc, Newman. TKD. or UNEVEN (9): 1, 2, Matthews, 1st, a tkd. of great merit; 2nd, mkd. yell., real good one; 3, hc, Olding; vhc, hc, Newman; c, Humby and Offord. HEN (7): 1, Matthews, stylish chin. mkd.; 2, Newman, good buff; 3, Olding, finely drawn, good style. UNFLIG. (4): 1, 2, 3, Olding, a nice team; vhc, Parkes. BORD. (4): 1, 3, King; 2, Parkes. A.O.V. (2): 1, Parkes, nice gr. Yorks.; 2, Olding. MULE (6): 1, Walk r, Linnet, good col. and size; 2, Humby and Offord, good dk. Linnet; 3, hc, Parkes; hc, c, Newnham. GOLDF. (1): Silk, fine blaze, good tans. BULLF. (2): 1, 2, Tont. LINNET (2): 1, Walker; 2, Humby and Offord, 1st won on size and pencilling. REDPOLL, ETC. (3): 1, 3, Tont, fine Redpoll and very nice Twite; 2, Walker, good Redpoll. A.O. HARDBILL (4): All Tont, a nice team, leader a fine Bramble, takes spl. best Finch. SOFTBILL (5): 1, 2, 3, hc, Tont; 1st, sweet little Gold-crest, one of the best out, 2nd, Yellow Wagtail, noted winner; 3rd, pretty Lesser Whitethroat. NOV. YORKS. (7): 1, Humby and Offord; 2, Nayler. BRIT. (2): 1, Humby and Offord; 2 Newman.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Second annual show, Dec. 26, in the large room above headquarters. A nice schedule was issued, and brought forth a splendid entry of 260. Quality throughout was of a high standard, Norwich and Borders particularly so, several of the birds having secured highest honours at leading open shows. Special best Brit. went to Mr. R. Peart with a fine Greenfinch, staged in the pink of condition, while medal for best novice Canary was won by Mr. Jos Lowerson, with a bonny Border, which also took special best novice Border. Mr. Geo. Bates, the courteous and obliging sec., had everything well in hand, and got through his work in grand style. Mr. Alf. Dawson had charge of a grand body of workers, the whole of them doing their best for the good of the show. A good crowd visited the show, and the receipts will no doubt provide the society with a nice balance in hand. Mr. W. Reid judged Bord., Brit., Mules and For. and Mr. J. Riseborough the remainder.

NOR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Glendinning; 2, Stanger; 3, Forster. BUFF: (9): 1, Stanger; 2, Mason; 3, Callaway. HEN (12): 1, 2, Stanger; 3, Callaway. YELL. CK., 1914 (8): 1, Callaway; 2, Stanger; 3, Bates. BUFF (9): 1, 3, Callaway; 2, Glendinning. HEN (9): 1, Bates; 2, Robson; 3, Glendinning. NAT. COL. (5): 1, Cresswell; 2, Coates; 3, Peart. NOV. (13): 1, Mason; 2, Robson; 3, Harwood. YORKS., YELL. CK. (1): 1, Bentinck; 2, Ward; 3, Stanger. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Forster; 3, Ward. HEN (6): 1, Cresswell; 2, Ward; 3, Stanger. YELL. CK., 1914 (2): 1, Stanger; 2, Bentinck. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Ward; 3, Stanger. HEN (4): 1, Ward; 2, Forster; 3, Bentinck. NOV. (5): 1, 2, Roxborough; 3, Cresswell. CREST (1): 1, Coates. C.B. (1): 1, Stanger. CREST, 1914 (3): 1, 3, Coates; 2, Forster. CINN., CK. (5): 1, Mason; 2, Calvert; 3, Stanger. HEN (3): 1, Calvert; 2, Mason; 3, Stanger. 1914 (3): 1, 2, Calvert; 3, Stanger. GIFT (7): 1, Lowerson; 2, Pearl; 3, Anderson. BORD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Bates; 2, Dawson; 3, Biggs. BUFF (10): 1, Bates; 2, Lowerson; 3, Forster. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Dawson; 2, Lowerson; 3, Bates. BUFF (8): 1, Bates; 2, Lowerson; 3, Biggs. MKD. (6): 1, Bates; 2, Lowerson; 3, Biggs. GREEN (5): 1, 2, 3, Bates. CINN. (6): 1, 2, Bates; 3, Dawson. NOV. (13): 1, Lowerson; 2, Biggs; 3, Whentman. LINNET, H.M. (6): 1, Bates; 2, 3, Dawson. F.M. (8): 1, Cresswell; 2, Anderson; 3, Robson and Dawson. MULES, ETC. (6): 1, 2, Peart; 3, Stanger. GOLDF. (6). 1, 2, Mason; 3, Cresswell. BULLF. (5): 1, Dawson; 2, Wheatman; 3, Howe. GREENF. (8): 1, Peart; 2, Cresswell; 3, Calvert. REDPOLL (10). 1, Mason; 2, Barron; 3, Robson and Dawson. SISKIN, ETC. (3): 1, Peart; 2, Cresswell, 3, Bates. A.O. HARD (7): 1, Dawson; 2, Robson; 3, Bentinck. FOR (3): 1, Robson and Dawson; 2, Peart; 3, Biggs. OPEN LINNET (10). 1, Bates, 2, 3, Hodgson.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL O.S.

Annual pair show of Canaries and table show of Hybs., Brit., and For., Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C., Feb. 18. There was a record entry of over 150. This was especially satisfactory, considering that several members are on active service, noticeably we missed Messrs. Ward and Snook, both keen exhibitors. Unfortunately the sec., Mr. Law, was unable to be present owing to Government secretarial work, but the assistant sec. took his place, and everything passed off very well. The society offered 7 silver and 7 bronze medals, and 18 cash special prizes for which competition was very keen; the judges, Messrs. J. Robson and G. Mortlock, agreed that it was one of the finest pair shows they had ever seen.

NOR., Y.C. and B.H.: 1, 2, Hodder; vhc, Fleet. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, 2, Hodder; vhc, hc, Fleet. YORKS., Y.C. and B.H.: 1, hc, Fairman; 2, Clarke; vhc, hc, Bullen. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, c, Fairman; 2, Salter; vhc, Clarke; hc, Bullen. BORD.: 1, 2, vhc, Mrs. Salter. CREST: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Horton. MULE and HYB.: 1, vhc, Miss Smyth; 2, Fairman; hc, Crabb. NOV., NOR., Y.C. and B.H.: 1, 2, Harris; vhc, hc, Cullers. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, vhc, Kerr; 2, Harris. YORKS., Y.C. and B.H.: 1, Lamber; 2, vhc, c, Everett; 3, Huggins; hc, Gilbert. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, 3, vhc, Huggins; 2, Miss A. Smith; hc, c, Shearer. MULE and HYB.: 1, Shearer; 2, Madame Madewell; vhc, Gilbert; hc, Japper. GOLDF. and BCLLF.: 1, Stephens; 2, c, Tapper; vhc, Crabb; hc, Mdme. Madewell. LINNET and TWITE: 1, Stephens; vhc, Fleet. REDPOLL and SISKIN: 1, vhc, Stephens; 2, c, Cullens; hc, Tapper. CHAFF. and BRAMBLE: 1, vhc, Stephens. FINCH, A.O.S.: 1, Mdme. Madewell. INSECTIV., SMALL: 1, Stephens. LARGE: 1, vhc, Everett. LIGHT HYB.: 1, Lamb; 2, Crabb; vhc, Miss J. Smyth. DARK: 1, 2, Lamb; vhc, Crabb; hc, Fleet; c, Mdme. Madewell. BETWEEN TWO BRIT.: 1, Lamb; vhc, Miss A. Smyth. FOR. SEED-EATING: 1, Miss A. Smyth; 2, vhc, Mdme. Madewell; 3, hc, c, Mrs. Huggins. FRUIT EATING: 1, Miss A. Smyth.—H. L. Huggins, Assist. Sec.

ORMSKIRK C.B.S.

Annual show Jan. 1, about 70 birds staged. Nor. were a nice lot, the winners in each class being birds of outstanding merit. Yorkshires are not numerous in the district, and entries were few; but Borders turned up in good numbers and rather above the average quality for a local show. Sp. best Nor. was won by Mr. Hunter with a really good unflighted buff. Other special winners were Messrs. J. W. Johnson (3), Goring, T. Johnson (2), and Walker (2). Mr. Thos. Johnson (Southport) judged. Mr. T. Johnson, jun., was serving an apprenticeship to the post of secretary, and he appeared to be a worthy follower of worthy predecessors.

YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Johnson, smart yell. cks., neat heads and nice qual. of feather. BUFF: 1, sp, Goring, smart cl., neat feather, grand head, neck and wing carr.; 2, Hunter, tkd. wing, nice qual. feather and col., beaten head points. HEN: 1, 3, c, Johnson, massive yell. leading, grand head, neck and shoulders, rare shape, trifle pale in col. or a champion; 2, Goring, var. yell., rare size and shape, only beaten head points; vhc, Hunter. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, Hunter, beautiful short deep chested buff, loveliest feather and col., real good wide head without flatness; 2, vhc, c, Johnson, massive cl. buff, beaten only in qual. of feather and a trifle horned; 3, Goring, cl. yell., nice type and feather, beaten substance; hc, Hesketh. YELL. YORKS: 1, 2, Walker, smart lengthy Yorks, leader winning on pos. HEN: 1, 2, Walker, yell. gr. leading, very useful birds for stock. GR. CK.: 1, 2, Walker, lovely jonque leads, grand pos., nice texture of feather, grand col. BORD. YELL.: 1, sp, 2, hc, Johnson, lovely clears, natty type, lovely waxy feather; 3, c, T. Johnson, cap mark, neat oval head and feather; hc, Hesketh. BUFF: 1, vhc, hc, Johnson, neat cl., nice type, silky feather; 2, c, Hesketh, quite as good, but too shy, wants handling; 3, T. Johnson, similar to 2nd, crosses wings a bit. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, 3, vhc, T. Johnson, grand team, lovely shape, rich qual. of feather; 2, Johnson, mkd. wing, extra qual. and wing carr.; hc, c, Hesketh. BUFF: 1, hc, Johnson, grizzle head and wing, not nice marks for a Border, silky feather; 2, vhc, T. Johnson, bit loose in feather at waist; 3, Hesketh. HYB.: 1, 3, vhc, Johnson, var. Greenf, Mule and Goldf.-Bullf., well known warriors; 2, Hunter, nice six-pointed Goldf., should make a good one with an adult moult. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Johnson, Yellowhammer leads, rare size, col. and head marks, 2nd the old Linnet, looking as well as ever, wants his nails cut; 3, Hunter, F.M. Greenf., rare size, diamond in the rough. FOR.: 1, vhc, c, Johnson, Yellow-backed Whydah, lovely feather and cond., just a trifle lively; 2, 3, T. Johnson, jun., Long-tailed Whydah, nicely shown and very steady, tail feathers just a trifle soiled; and a pair of Orange-breasted Waxbills, nice feather and cond.; hc, Walker.

LLANDUDNO O.S.

Show, Cobden's, Mostyn Street, Feb. 20. Entries came up fairly well. Norwich were good, although not numerous, the unflighted yellow winner being an ideal specimen, a bird with a future. Yorks. kept up their reputation, and there was little to choose in some of the unflighted. British and Mules were also good, and some cheap birds were staged in the selling class. Mr. W. Williams made a very efficient sec. Specials were given for most points in each section. The management was very satisfactory. Mr. J. O. Williams judged, and we heard no grumbling.

NOR. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, W. H. Williams, grand cl., capital type, good col. and qual., in fine form; 2, Fildes, good col. and feather; 3, R. W. Jones; 4, W. Williams. BUFF: 1, W. H. Williams, well-known mkd. buff, in capital order; 2, Hartle and Nolan, tkd., good head and neck, clubby, well over the perch; 3, 4, W. Aitken. UNFLIG.: 1, W. H. Williams, cl. yell., good head and neck, grand type, clean cut, rich col., full of qual., stood well out; 2, 3, R. W. Jones, 2nd, nice qual., good feather and col., rather light; 4, W. Williams. YORKS, YELL.: 1, 2, W. Nolan, winner, wing tkd., nice length, good qual., leggy and stylish, 2, cap and wing mkd., good length and style, straight and slim; 3, Thompson; 4, A. M. Williams. BUFF: 1, 3, Nolan, leader, well-modelled buff, straight and stylish, on good legs, capital wings and tail, boxey feather; 2, Hartle and Nolan, cl., well balanced, nicely modelled, good wings, well up on leg; 4, A. M. Williams; vhc, Thompson. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, vhc, c, A. M. Williams, leader wing tkd., nice, lengthy, shapely, well rounded, straight and stylish, full of qual., in grand form; 2, 4, Nolan, cl. yell., full of qual., stands well, good wings, pipe tail, hc, c, Aitken. YORKS, HEN: 1, Nolan, cl. yell., good length and qual., nicely cut away, straight and leggy; 2, 4, vhc, A. M. Williams, cl. yell., good all over, straight and slim, good pos., beaten in length only; 3, Hartle and Nolan. MULE or HYB.: 1, 4, Hughes Bros., leader light Goldf, well known, good size and qual, in excellent form, easy winner; 2, 3, W. Williams, good yell. Siskin Mule, in grand fettle; 3, good Greenf, Mule, capital size, good feather. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 4, W. H. Williams, leader good size and qual., rare flush face, of good col., capital tan and markings, best of form; 2, vhc, Hughes Bros., good size, type, rich coloured blaze, nice tan and markings; 3, O. Jones; hc, W. Williams; c, Fildes. LINNET, ETC.: 1, W. H. Williams, good size, type and col., well pencilled; 2, 4, W. Williams, good col. and feather, Yorks. type; 3, Fildes, same type, good cond., all Linnets. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, Nolan, Waxwing and a Hawfinch, in superb form; 3, W. Aitken, good sized Yellow Bunting, rich col., steady, fit; 1, c, O. Jones, vhc, Fildes; hc, W. Williams. FOR.: 1, O. Jones, good Parrakeet, in nice plumage; 2, Fildes, Siberian Goldf., good size, face and col.; 3, 4, Miss Taylor, good pair White Javas.

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BATHGATE.

Annual show, Feb. 27, in the Corn Exchange, one of the best halls in the country for such a venture. Entries numbered 527. The Foreign section was very disappointing, only 16 entries coming forward. Mules and Hybrids contained some first-class exhibits, notably Mr. J. Crone's team, and were greatly admired. The Bald cup and gold medal for most points was won by Mr. J. Nicholson. Runner-up, W. P. Campbell. Most points in one class, ditto in Foreign, P. Arnott; British, W. P. Campbell; Mule, J. Nicolson; most entries, J. Strachan. The arrangements were carried out in first-class style under the able leadership of Mr. R. Bald, Pres., assisted by Mr. J. Nicolson, Vice-Pres., and Mr. A. Nicol, Sec., with a hard-working committee. The gate receipts were unfortunately very poor, which is especially to be regretted, as the show was in aid of the Belgian Fund and Red Cross Society. Judging was got over in good time by the two well-known experts, Mr. J. Maddison (Newcastle-on-Tyne) and Mr. P. McQuiston (Ayr), who did their best to please all. Over 100 entries came from south of the Border—a very good support from the English and Welsh exhibitors.

CL., ETC., MULE (7): 1, Nicolson, nicely tkd. Mule, in the pink of condition, easy win; 2, Heron, good exhibit, but outclassed by winner; 3, Smart, sweet shape, fails in size and quality to leaders; 4, Fyfe. HYB. OR CAN. BULLF. (6): 1, 2, Crone, champion Bullf. Hyb., marvellous col., grand qual. of feather; 3, 4, Dr. Wilson, Goldf.-Greenf. and Linnet-Bullf., not the col. or quality of winners, well placed; 5, Smart DK. GOLDF. OR LINN., YELL. (14): 1, 4, Crone, Goldf. Mules, well-known winners, in the pink, grand size and shape, lovely bloom; 2, Nicolson, Linnet Mule, sweet exhibit, grand qual. of feather, staged A1; 3, Roy, perfect order, not so rich in col.; 5, Smart; 6, Husband; 7, Nicol. DK. A.O.V. YELL. (15): 1, 2, Roy, Greenf. and Siskin Mules, leader capital size, nice head, good wing carr., rich col.; 2, good size, rich silky feather, nice shape, shows to perfection; 3, Mrs. Parlett, Greenf. Mule, lacks cond. of winners, all there for size and shape; 4, Heron; 5, Adamson; 6, Nicolson; 7, Dr. Wilson. BUFF (6): 1, Nicolson; 2, Gribben; 3, W. P. Campbell; 4, M'Lean; 5, Roy; 6, J. Nicol. HEN MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, Heron, put down in perfect condition, tight as wax; 2, Edwards, Goldf.-Bullf., nice size and shape, A1 cond.; 3, Mrs. Parlett, rather rough in feather; 4, T. Nicol; 5, M'Gillivray Bros. PAIRS (5): 1, 5, Strachan, shown to perfection, Goldf. and Bullf. on friendly terms with each other; 2, Crone, tip-top cond. Canary and Bullf. hen; 3, Campbell, likely pair, not so good in qual.; 4, Dick. BULLF. CK. (19): 1, Watt, fine size, nice shape, extra good col. and qual., rare cap, steady as a rock; 2, M'Gavin, good Finch, fails in size and colour to winner, very shapely; 3, Morrison, grand cap and bars, shade rough in feather; 4, Taylor; 5, Palmer; 6, Rutherford; 7, Roy. HEN (13): 1, Campbell, good col., nice cond.; 2, 7, Strachan, two good hens, leader could be better shown; 3, Wight, some thought the best in class, nice cap and wing bars, steady; 4, Weir and Hutton; 5, 6, Nicol. SISKIN, NON-FED (18): 1, Metcalfe, exceptionally large, rare col., nice cond., nicely laced, good cap; 2, M'Lean, extra good one, nice dense cap, well laced flanks; 3, Sykes, well up in size, good sound col., in grand order; 4, Gentleman; 5, Nicolson; 6, Arnott; 7, Morrison. COL.-FED (14): 1, Gribben, nicely fed, rare cap and bib, well marked on wings, perfect little beauty; 2, Calder, extra good one, dense cap, well laced flanks; 3, Nicolson, nicely fed, grand cap and bib, appeared to be down in cond.; 4, Nicolson; 5, Adamson; 6, Johnston; 7, Carr. GOLDF., H.-M. (16): 1, Wallace, perfect beauty, excels in col. and polish, grand blaze; 2, Conkie and Louden, nice size and good shape, rich blaze, well tanned; 3, Stobbs Bros., good square-cut face, nicely buttoned, wonderful cond.; 4, Yule; 5, M'Nellie; 6, Niven; 7, Oldham, our choice for 3rd place. F.-M. (26): 1, Reid, rich blaze, square cut, nice depth, good size and shape, well buttoned, lovely cond., will make a stormer; 2, Connelly, fine upstanding bird, fails in blaze to winner, all there otherwise; 3, Jeffrays, grand square-cut blaze, nice col., tip-top cond.; 4, W. P. Campbell; 5, Niven; 6, no name; 7, Wight. LINNET, H.-M. (18): 1, Dr. Wilson, lengthy, very distinct markings all over, plenty pure flights, nice win; 2, Wason, more body than winners, nice tone of col., nicely pencilled, grand cond.; 3, Pitchford, good col. and size, fails in lacing to winners; 4, Messer; 5, Hird; 6, Taylor; 7, Strachan. F.-M. (37): grand class, two sets of winners here: 1, Hird, grand type, good size, bold chest, neatly laced, could do with more col.; 2, W. P. Campbell, rare breast, nicely filled in, grand cond.; 3, Adamson, equally well laced, but narrow on head; 4, Lloyd James; 5, Sykes; 6, Duncan; 7, Nicolson. GREENF., COL-FED (6): 1, Mrs. Parlett, grand shape, nice tone of col., plenty of size, lovely qual. of feather, wins; 2, Adamson, good col. and type, could do with more size; 3, W. P. Campbell, fine big bird, not so solid in col.; 4, Brownlee and Cook; 5, Clark; 6, Bell. NON-FED (15): 1, Nicol, nice qual. of feather, good cond.; 2, Nicolson, some thought a bit lucky to-day; 3, Henderson, best of shape, nice tone of col., we made a good 2nd; 4, Sykes, best conditioned Finch in class, grand size, nice level col., our choice for winner; 5, Mrs. Dalton; 6, Conkie and Louden; 7, Sykes. GREENF., F.-M. (41) (another great class for quality): 1, McGregor and Boyd, nice long-sided Finch, full of col., A1 shape and cond.; 2, Johnston, close on heels of winners, splendid wings and tail; 3, Nicolson, nice stamp, grand even col., grand cond., close up; 4, Lloyd James; 5, R. and J. Gentleman; 6, Stobbs Bros.; 7, P. Gentleman. HEN (13): 1, Campbell, great size, one of the best hens we have seen out; 2, Thomson, rare shape and size, nice even col., good head and chest; 3, Henderson, nice col., fails in size to winners; 4, R. Lambie; 5, 7, Strachen; 6, Livingston. MEALY POLL OR TWITE, H.-M. (14): 1, Conkie and Louden, without doubt one of the best Twites seen out this season, shown to perfection; 2, Nicol, fine big Twite, but outclassed here; 3, McGavin, large Mealy, very clear front, lovely cond.; 4, Oldham; 5, Calder; 6, 7, Crone. F.-M. (12): 1, Cnokie and Louden, grand size, very shapely, rich nutty col. throughout, nicely pencilled, just wins; 2, J. Nicolson, close on heels of winner, similar in col., etc., if anything a shade smaller; 3, W. P. Campbell, Mealy, good cond.; 4, J. Nicolson; 5, Falding; 6, Pitchford; 7, Clark. LESSER, H.-M. (16): 1, Wason, thick set, nice bib, even col., shows to perfection; 2, Bald, much deeper in col., better head, but fails in marks of winner; 3, Conkie and Louden, nice shape, in lovely order; 4, Campbell; 5, Nicol; 6, Bulloch; 7, Dr. Wilson. F.-M. (16): 1, 6, 7, Johnson, rare size and shape, nicely laced, wonderful col. for a F.-M.; 2, Lloyd-James close up, well laced, nice size, good head and bib, fails in col. only; 3, Findlay, exceptional col.; 4, McDonald; 5, Bell. BUNTING (7): 1, Dr. Wilson, lovely Meadow Bunting, in the pink, easy win; 2, Henderson, Black-headed, nice exhibit, in tip-top order; 3, Kirkwood, lovely feather; 4, Robertson; 5, Counelly; 6, No name; 7, Strachan. CHAFFINCH (9): 1, Thomson, grand col., nice size and shape, good whites, A1 cond.; 2, 3, 4, Sykes, grand team, and in the pink; 5, 6, Jeffrays; 7, Henderson. BRAMBLE (8): 1, 2, Sykes, leader a gem, rich col. on breast, carried well down, steady as a rock; 2, not so massive, still a good one; 3, Conkie and Louden, good size and col., nicely spangled; 4, Roxburgh; 5, Jeffrays; 6, Parker; 7, Craig. YELLOWHAMMER (15): 1, Jeffrays, grand size, nice V, splendid col. throughout, best of shape, and cond.; 2, Buckley and Hazeldine, smaller, fails in marks to winner, grand cond.; 3, Lewis, again fails in col. and marks, irregular shaped V; 4, Robertson, lovely feather; 5, Menzies; 6, Bell; 7, McCloy; grand class, some good birds out of tickets. SOFTBILL, SMALL (3): 1, McLean, Redstart, nice col. and cond., in beautiful feather; 2, Burrows, rich coloured Redstart, staged to perfection, close up; 3, Crawford, Tit, well mkd. head and throat, sound rich col., in the pink. LARGE (7): 1, 3, Sykes, champion Chough, in the pink; 3, good Hawfinch, in lovely order; 2, Crawford Bros., good Waxwing, nice crest and grand body col.; 4, Crawford; 5, Davidson; 6, McGavin; 7, Parkes. HEN BRIT. (14): 1, R. and J. Gentleman; Yellowhammer, nice size, good V, rich col., lovely cond.; 2, Strachan, Bramble, spanking cond.; 3, Wason; 4, A. Stewart; 5, Miller; 6, Pitchford; 7, Green. A.O.V. BRIT. HARDBILL, F.-M. (12): 1, Lloyd-James, Yellowhammer, grand exhibit, good head and eye markings; 2, Galloway, Chaff., grand shape, nice whites, lovely order; 3, Bulloch, Bramble, nicely spangled on beak, good 3rd; 4, Rutherford. ALBINO (2): 1, Fraser, Chaffinch, nice cond. FOR., GOLDF. (3): 1, Campbell, capital shape, grand col., nice feather; 2, Henderson, nice size and shape, deep blaze, good wings and tannings; 3, Roy, clean cut face, grand body col., nice wings, neatly buttoned, our choice. FOR. SOFTBILL (3): 1, 2, 3, Arnott, Yellow-winged Sugarbird, Golden-fronted Honeysucker, also pair Lesser Sun-birds, grand exhibits, spotless cond. HARDBILL (8): 1, 3, 5, Arnott pair Cordon Bleus leading, St. Helena Waxbills, Golden-breasted Waxbills, all in beautiful cond.; 2, Yule, Bullf., grand size and shape, pale in breast col.; 4, Mrs. Forsyth; 6, Bell. NOVICE (14): 1, Colston; 2, R. Strachan; 3, Stoddart; 4, Lowrie; 5, Buckley and Hazeldine; 6, No. 14; 7, Dandie.

BRITISH ROLLER C.C.

Third International Show, Feb. 19 and 20, 210 birds entered. The room was not as large as the usual hall, but answered the purpose admirably, and credit is due to Messrs. Attewell and Buffin for the arrangements they made. The many detailed arrangements were admirably carried out by Messrs. Neugebauer, Webb, Gutierrez, Gloeckner, Guttridge, Ives, Gooding, Shepley, and Hocking, not forgetting Master Attewell, who proved himself a worthy successor to "Reggie." Country members turned up well, Wolverhampton being well represented, and fanciers being present from Grimsby, Southsea, Cambridge, and Birmingham, besides a good many London fanciers. An informal meeting was held on the second day. At the annual meeting held at the show of 1914, between 70 and 80 exhibitors being present, it had been decided that judges names should be printed in the schedule, and a resolution was now passed that a recommendation be given to the annual general meeting that this rule should be enforced. Unanimously agreed that only B.R.C.C. rings be recognised at shows. There appears to be getting more variety in the song of the birds, and one could see that the two new tours added to the judging standard, viz., Bell Glucke and Glucke Roll had been noted by the judges, while the item "faults off" is much less than in previous years. The awards appeared to give satisfaction. The novice any age class was an eye opener, 56 entries, a record we believe for Rollers.

The abbreviations used are: H.R., Hollow Bell; K., Koller; B.G., Bell Glucke; H.B., Hollow Bell; Bs.R., Bass Roll; Sch., Schockel; G. Glucke; F., Flute Notes; W.R. Water Roll; W.G., Water Glucke; D.B.W.T., Deep Bubbling Water Tour; B.T., Bell Tour; Bl. Roll., Bell Roll; G.R., Glucke Roll; G.E. General Effect.

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS (42), Judge, Mr. F. A. Lester: 1, 4, 5, c, Neugebauer, 1, H.B., 5, B.G. 2, Bs.R. 3, Sch. 3, G. 3, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, D.B.W.T. 2, Bl. R. 2, G.R. 2, G.E. 4, Total 34; 4. H.R. 5, Bs.R. 3, Sch. 2, G. 4, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, D.B.W.T. 2, Bl.R. 2, G.E. 4, Total 30; 5, 29 pts; c, 24 pts; 2, 3, 6, vhc, hc, Shipley; 2, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs.R. 3, Sch. 3, G. 4, F. 2, W.G. 3, D.B.W.T. 2, Bl.R. 1, G.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 32; 3rd, H.R. 6, B.G. 2, H.B. 2, Bs.R. 3, Sch. 4, G. 3, F. 3, W.R. 2, B.T. 1, Bl.R. 1, G.E. 4, total 31; 6th, 28pts.; vhc, 26; hc, 25; 7, hc, Wantling, 27, 25; vhc, Thompson, 27; hc, Harper, 25; hc, Johnson, 24; c, Hocking 23. Best H.R., Neugebauer; Bass, Shipley; Koller, Wantling; Glucke, Hocking. NOV. (49), Judge, Mr. J. Tomlinson: 1, hc, c, Powell; 1st, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs.R. 2, Sch. 3, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 5, Bl.R. 2, G.E. 5, total 30; hc, 23pts.; c, 22; 2, Rhodes, H.R. 4, B.G. 4, H.B. 3, Bs.R. 3, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, total, 28; 3, Gooding, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sch. 4, G. 4, F. 4, B.T. 2, Bl.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 28; 4, Atkinson, H.R. 2, H.B. 3, Bs.R. 2, Sch. 3, F. 2, W.R. 3, W.G. 4, B.T. 2, Bl.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 27; 5, Heeley, 26; 6, Rhodes, 25; 7, Browne, 25; vhc, Wilson, 24; M'Keehan, 24; hc, Evans, 23; Harvey, 23; Brooks, 23; Gutierrez, 22; Best H.R., Heeley; G., Gooding; Bass, Powell. CHAMP., ANY AGE (23), Judge, Mr. F. E. Fisher: 1, 5, Gloeckner, 1st, H.R. 6, K. 1, Bs.R. 6, Sch. 3, G. 3, F. 2, B.T. 1, Bl.R. 1, G.R. 3, G.E. 4, total 30; 5th 26 pts.; 2, Roebuck, H.R. 6, K. 1, Bs.R. 5, Sch. 2, G. 4, F. 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.T. 1, Bl.R. 2, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 28; 3, Thompson, H.R. 5, B.G. 2, H.B. 2, Bs.R. 3, Sch. 3, G. 3, F. 2, W.R. 1, D.B.W.T. 2, G.E. 4, total 27; 4, 7, Hocking, 4th, H.R. 5, Bs.R. 5, Sch. 3, G. 2, F. 3, W.R. 2, D.B.W.T. 3, B.T. 1, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 27; 7th, 25 pts.; 6, Routledge, 25 pts.; vhc, Firth; hc, Hanbury; c, Wardleworth. Best Bs.R., Gloeckner; H.R., Hanbury; G. Roebuck. AMAT. (22), Judge, Mr. J. Tomlinson: 1, Williams, H.R. 4, Bs.R. 4, Sch. 3, G. 4, F. 3, W.R. 2, W.G. 4, Bl.R. 1, G.E. 4, total 29; 2, Buffin, H.R. 6, H.B. 2, Bs.R. 4, Sch. 3, F. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 3, B.T. 2, Bl.R. 2, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 29; 3, Unsworth, H.R. 4, B.G. 2, Bs.R. 3, Sch. 3, F. 3, W.R. 1, W.G. 4, G.E. 4, total 24; 4, Best, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Sch. 4, F. 3, W.R. 3, B.R. 1, G.E. 4, total 23; 5, Stewart, 23 pts; 6, Kramer, 23; 7, Grainger, 23; Best Glucke, Williams; Bs.R., Grainger; H.R. Stewart. NOV. (56), Judge, Mr. F. E. Fisher: 1, King, H.R. 5, K. 3, H.B. 2, Bs.R. 5, Sch. 3, G. 3, F. 3, W.G. 2, Bl.R. 1, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 30; 2, Rhodes, H.R. 6, B.G. 3, Bs.R. 4, Sch. 3, F. 3, W.G. 2, Bl.R. 1, G.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 28; ex. 2, Carruthers, H.R. 6, Bs.R. 6, Sch. 3, G. 2, F. 3, W.G. 2, Bl.R. 3, G.E. 4, 1 off, total 28; 3, Bew, H.R. 5, H.B. 3, Bs.R. 4, Sch. 2, F. 3, W.G. 3, Bl.R. 1, G.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 27; ex. 3, Harvey, H.B. 5, Bs.R. 4, Sch. 3, F. 2, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, Bl.R. 2, G.R. 3, G.E. 4, total 27; 4, Hayward, jun., H.R. 5, Bs.R. 4, Sch. 3, F2, W.R. 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 2, G.R. 3, G.E. 4, total 27; ex. 4, Gutierrez, 25 pts., 5, Ryder, 25; 6, Harvey, 25; 7, Gooding, 24; vhc, Gutierrez, Gill, Aspinall, Torjelsen, jun; hc, Gill, Boyd, Webb; c, Attewell, Ryder, Dick, jun., M'Kechan, Browne, Aspinall, Wantling, Mrs. Firth; Best Glucke, Guttridge; H.R. Sauter; Bs.R., Harvey; W.G., Bew. LIMIT (19), Judge, Mr. Lester: 1, Kramer, 28 pts.; 2, Hanbury, 26; 3, c, Best, 24, 18; 4, Wilson, 24; 5, Roebuck, 23; 6, Hocking, 22; 7, Johnson, 20; vhc, Heatherley; hc, Rhodes.

MANCHESTER N.C.O.S.

Annual show, Feb. 6, Northern Homing Fanciers' Club, Victoria Street, City. Over 200 birds faced the judge, Mr. Cowgill, Bradford. Yorks. and Norwich were a grand lot, some well-known winners being amongst them. Spl. best bird was won by a beautiful yellow Yorks. hen shown by Mr. W. H. Tansey; best Nor., S. Cook, a storming yellow ck., a gem all over. The committee, with Pres. Mr. Oldham, Sec. Mr. F. Hayward, and his assistant, Mr. F. Wilkinson, worked very hard for the success of the show.

CHAMP. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Wilkinson, in the pink, nicely drawn out, good carr.; 2, Bulmer, not the pos. of winner. BUFF: 1, Wilkinson, grizzled head, nice type and qual.; 2, Broughton, not so well filled in neck. BUFF HEN: 1, Wilkinson, good type and qual.; 2, Broughton, Cin. mkd., lovely qual.; 3, Bulmer, cap mkd., nice type, good pos. 1914 YELL. CK.: 1, Wilkinson, mkd., full of nerve, well drawn out, A1 pos.; 2, Bulmer, losses in length. BUFF: 1, Bulmer, lovely carr., good head, nicely drawn out, grand col.; 2, Wilkinson, nice pos.; 3, Broughton, full of qual., stands well; 4, Wilkinson. YORKS. HEN: 1, Wilkinson, nice type and pos.; 2, Bulmer, grand qual. and pos., good head, must have pressed; 3, Broughton, good qual. and pos. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Cook, leader, topper all over, good head and neck, grand size and qual., a real gem; 2, Turner, not quite so chubby, good pos.; 4, Turner. BUFF: 1, hc, Turner, grand head and neck, good type and qual.; 2, Cook, grizzled wing, plenty of subs., good type; 3, vhc, Smith, good qual, loses subs; 4, Raines. YELL. HEN.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Smith, mkd.; 1, teeming with qual., grand type, gets well across perch, just a bit short in head, nice ben; 2nd, grand head and neck, a shade long in feather; 4, hc, Turner; c, Raynes. BUFF: 1, 4, Turner, wing mkd., lovely head and neck, nice type and subs.; 2, vhc, Raynes, nice qual., fails in head and subs. to winner; 3, Cook, cobby, good type and qual., might have been second; hc, Coldbeck. YELL. CK., 1914: 1, 2, Turner; 1st, grand qual., but short of subs.; 2, head and wing mkd., shade long; 3, Hubbard. BUFF: 1, vhc, Turner, wing mkd., grand type and qual.; 2, Cook, shade small, lovely col., good type, runs very close; 3, Schofield, lovely head and neck, good col., a shade long; 4, hc, Smith. HEN: 1, 2, Turner; 1, mkd., bit long in feather behind; 2nd, nice head, good qual., shade small and short of feather in tail; 3, Cook, buff. NOR. GR.: 1, Hayward, good type and carr.; 2, 3, Bruce, short and cobby, bit too much fat in front; 3rd, unsteady; 4, vhc, Raynes; hc, Turner. AMAT. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Wilson, well drawn out, good carr., A1 pos.; 2, Riley, well up on legs, gone soft in back; 3, Taylor, good head and wing carr., plenty of nerve, a bit loose in front; 4, Tansey, mkd.; vbc, Brown; hc, Drew; c, Musgrave. BUFF: 1, Tansey, teeming with qual., well drawn out, grand pos.; 2, Musgrave, tkd. wing, stands well, not the length of winner; 3, Drew; 4, Burke; vhc, Riley; hc, Williamson; c, Brown. YELL. HEN: 1, sp, hc, Tansey, in the pink, well up on legs, good all through, wins easily; 2, Wilson, well filled, good pos., not drawn out like the winner, shade too fat; 3rd, mkd. yell., good hen, fails in head a little, grand carr., runs very close; 4, Riley; vhc, Brown; c, Musgrave. BUFF: 1, Tansey, good pos.; 2, Brown, tkd. head, good size, well drawn out, grand qual.; 3, McTurk, full of bloom, A1 pos.; 4, Taylor; vhc, Drew; hc, Wilson; c, Musgrave. YORKS. CK., 1914: 1, Burke, well drawn, good carr., A1 pos., wins; 2, Tansey, gone loose in feather; 3, Wilson, mkd., good pos. a little nervous. BUFF: 1, Wilson, good pos., but might be a little more rounded at the front; 2, 3, Brown, grand qual. and pos., well filled in neck; 3rd, cap and wing mkd., fine qual., stands up, runs very close to winner; 4, McTurk. HEN: 1, 3, Tansey, mkd. buff, full of qual.; 2, McTurk, loses in pos.; 4, Brown; vhc, Riley; hc, Drew; c, Williamson. AMAT. NOR. YELL.: 1, Lane, head and wing mkd., grand col. and qual., shade long; 2, Lewis, good head and neck, more subs than winner; 3, Hayward. BUFF: 1, McKail. YELL. HEN: 1, McKail. BUFF: 1, 3, Hayward; 1st, grizzled tail, lovely type and qual.; 2, McKail, fails in subs.; 4, Buckleton; vhc, Lane. YELL. CK., 1914: 1, 3, Green, lovely qual., grand wings and tail, wins; 2, hc, Mitchell, loses in subs.; 4, Buckleton. BUFF: 1, Mitchell, grand type, lovely wings and tail; 2, vhc, Green loses in head and neck; 3, Buckleton. HEN: 1, McCall, nice head; 2, 3, 4, Mitchell. BORD. GR.: 1, 2, 3, Coldbeck. LIZ., GOLD.: 1, 2, Millington; 3, Moorby. SILVER: 1 2, Millington. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Kremner. BUFF: 1, Kremner; 2, Dewar. YELL. HEN: 1, Kremner; 2, Dewar. BUFF: 1, Kremner. BUFF 1914: 1, Dewar. A.O.V.: 1, Lane. CAN. HYB.: 1, 3, 4, vhc, Oldham; 2, Hubbard; hc, Smith. BRIT. HYB.: 1, 2, 3, Oldham; vhc, 4, Hubbard. GOLDF. or BULLF.: 1, 4, vhc, Oldham; 2, 3, hc, Hubbard; c, Turner. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, vhc, hc, Oldham; 2, Hubbard; 3, Bruce; 4, Fletcher. LINNET: 1, Burke; 2, 3, Oldham; 4, Fletcher; vhc, Lewis; hc, c, Hubbard. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Fletcher; 2, 4, hc, Oldham; 3, Hubbard; vhc, Fletcher; c, Lewis. SOFTBILL: 1, Hubbard. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hubbard; NOV. GOLDF. or BULLF.: 1, Lane. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, sp., Shaw. LINNET: 1, Stratford; 2, Kremner. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Kremner; 2, Stratford; 3, W. Shaw.

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CONDENSED REPORTS.

DUMBARTON C.B.C.—Pair show, Burgh Buildings, Feb. 28, with a fair turn-out of birds, Norwich being a good class. Judge, Mr. R. Jeffrey, Glasgow. Nor.: 1, 3, Davidson; 2, 4, Campbell. Bord.: 1, 2, Gillies; 3, 4, McMartin. Crests: 1, 2, Ritchie, sen. Yorks.: 1, Ritchie, sen.—J. Currie, Sec.

UPPER RHONDDA C.B.S.—Evening pair show. Yell. Yorks. Ck.: 1, 2, Watts; 3, 4, Curties and Son; vhc, hc, Bees. Buff Ck.: 1, 4, Powell; 2, c, Watts; 3, Bees; hc, Curtise and Son; vhc, Thomas. Nor. Yell. Ck.: 1, 3, E. Jones; 4, vhc, Bees; 2, Powell. Bord.: 1, 3, 4, Powell; 2, Watts. Mule and Hyb. Pairs: 1, sp. best exhibit, 3, 4, vhc, Bees; 2, Powell. Mules or Hyb.: 1, 4, Powell; 2, Curties and Son; 3, E. Jones. Brit.: 1, 3, Curtiss and Son; 2, Powell; vhc, Watts; hc, Bees; 4, E. Jones. Judge, L. Hughes, who gave entire satisfaction.—H. Watts, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.—Monthly table show, Mar. 6, Headquarters. Only 16 pairs were staged, all Yorks. Judge, Mr. G. Bray, Holmfirth. Yell. Ck. and Buff Hen (4): 1, 2, F. Sykes; 3, Battle and Coupland; vhc, Morris. B.C. and Y.H. (3): 1, F. Sykes; 2, Battle and Coupland; 3, Cox. Cinn. Mkd. (3): 1, Morris, 2, 3, Wood.—A. Lawford, Sec.

CROYDON F.A.—Pairs, British bird show, and judging competition, Mar. 3, Ruskin House. Owing to the late date, the entry was only small. The Nor. classes were all Halhead; Yorks., all Soper; and Brit., Gilbert. The judging competition created a keen interest; J. A. Halhead and W. Soper tied, and divided the prize money. Afterwards an instructive lecture by Mr. Norman on the "Pairing up of Cage Birds" was greatly enjoyed by all.—J. A. Halhead, Hon. Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Open contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, Mar. 6. 1, Morley; 2, Caddy; 3, Watkins. Open sing, Mar. 7. 27 birds were hung. 1, Morley; 2, Caddy; 3, Watkins.—S. Morley, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Open Linnet, 5 minutes' time sing, Commercial Hotel, New Street, March 6. Mr. Shepherd timer, A. Warren chalker. The singing was not up to form, the day being very dark. 1, Hardman, 3mins. 9secs.; 2, Dryden, 2mins. 58secs.; 3, Midgley, 1min. 50secs.; 4, Skivington, 50secs. March 7: 1, Hardman, 4mins. 4secs.; 2, Skivington, 3mins. 34secs.; 3, Hardman, 1min. 48secs.—J. Hardman, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, club sing, March 6. 35 birds entered for four minutes' time singing, and some good singing was done. 1, Jones, 135; 2, Pugh, 132; 3, Piper, 123; 4, Beard, 108. Open sing, March 7, 22 birds entered for three minutes' time singing. 1, 2, Piper, 85, 42; 3, shared, Wingham and Jones, 38. Biggest breaks this week are: Piper 41, 44, and Beard 43.—S. Pugh, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, headquarters, Commercial Hotel, March 6. 24 birds entered; the best sing of the season. 1, Cooper, 86; 2, Plows, 83; 3, Collinson, 67. J. Liversidge's bird made the largest break. Only three seconds parted 1 and 2, and it was a question which bird did win, as the watch of the timekeeper who was timing the even number bird stopped, and he had to start it going again. There was, however, no dissatisfaction, every member trusting to our timekeepers and tappers. Timekeepers, O. Potter, J. Cooper; tappers, J. Wallis, W. Perkin.—R. Plows, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet Club contest, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Mar. 7. 26 of the best birds in Yorkshire competed, and the singing was very good. 1, Whitfield; 2, Jarrow; 3, Jim Chippendale. Judges, A. Lorriman, C. Lorriman; timekeeper, C. Cooper.—A. Bryan, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Mar. 6; 16 birds sang. 1, T. Johnson; 2, S. Johnson; 3, Ward. Judges: Lacy, Naylor, Jennings. Extra contest same day, 12 sang. 1, Ward; 2, Hirst. Also a match for special between Appleyard and Hirst. 1, G. Hirst. Judges: Jennings and Johnson. Mar. 7, 81 birds sang. 1, T. Johnson; 2, Wood; 3, Stanney; 4, S. Johnson. Judges: Sissous, Naylor, Lacy. Roller contest Mar. 7, 12 sang. 1, Condliffe; 2, Smelt; 3, T. Johnson. Judges: Lacy and Naylor. General meeting, Mar. 14, at 7.30.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quaby singing contest, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, Mar. 7; 26 birds competed: 1, King; 2, Binns; 3, Hulley; 4, Appleyard. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

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The Passing of an Honoured Fancier and Judge.

A sympathetic appreciation of the career of the late Mr. Joseph F. Hills, contributed by his old friend Mr. Allen Silver.

THE sad news of the passing away of our old friend, Mr. Joseph F. Hills (Sudbury, Suffolk), will be received with sincere regret throughout the Fancy, and I feel sure that the sympathies of everyone are with Mrs. Hills in her great bereavement.

Probably no judge of cage birds has ever enjoyed such a unique and distinguished career as the late Mr. Hills. As far as I can gather he exhibited birds at the Crystal Palace away back in 1875, '76 and '77. At this time the late brothers Weir (Harrison and Jenner) were judges of the section, and on the advice of Jenner Weir the Crystal Palace manager appointed Mr. Hills a judge in 1878, which post he held until the Crystal Palace Co. handed over the bird show to the L. and P.O.S. He was then again appointed a judge, and officiated without a break (1905 excepted) until the 50th annual show in 1909—a run of thirty years.

In the course of his experience Mr. Hills judged at many other important shows, both London and P.O.S. Autumn, L.C.B.A., Norwich, Cardiff, Alexandra Palace, People's Palace, Aquarium, Agricultural Hall, and at the only show held by the United Kingdom C.B.S. at Preston; to say nothing of a continual run of engagements at smaller and at local fixtures. From a casual perusal of old catalogues I notice that he, with the late Mr. Rettich and Mr. Sam Cook, were judges at the first specialist show held at the Crystal Palace in 1898 by the N.B.B. and M.C. and the original Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League, of which show Mr. John Frostick was secretary. A class A.O. Species Resident Small Insectivorous Birds, judged by Mr. Hills, contained no less than 58 entries.

A Wonderful Record.

In 1877, at the first show of the U.K.C.B. Society held at the Royal Aquarium, Mr. Hills exhibited a Meadow Pipit, Woodlark, Pied Wagtail, Nightingale, Blackcap, Yellow Wagtail, and other birds, winning several prizes. After being appointed a judge, Mr. Hills discontinued exhibiting, but always at one time and another kept birds of many kinds, such as British Thrushes, Starlings, large and small Warblers (various), Wagtails, Flycatchers, Goldcrests, Finches, Larks, Crows (various), Hoopoes, Orioles, etc. He reared from the nest and successfully kept 37 species of British Birds, but his favourite bird was unquestionably the Nightingale, a species I have known him keep eight to nine years. Until recent years he usually had one or two, and often of young birds a dozen or more.

In 1841, when he was about eight, Mr. Hills started bird-keeping with two Robins, which he picked up when fighting on the highway. I remember he told me that one killed and pecked out the eyes of the other; also that it was in 1845 when he started breeding Canaries, at which time the chief thing was to breed them as small as possible.

Mr. Hills was intimately connected with the late W. A. Blakston, and supplied him with a great number of the birds, alive, for the artist to draw in illustrating the British Section of Cassells' old work on Canaries and Cage Birds. The publishers offered Mr. Hills a good price to write the letterpress to this section of the work (the selected writer having failed them). He, however, recommended to them Mr. Swaysland (the elder) who was an excellent naturalist. A good collection of birds' eggs was accumulated by Mr. Hills from his locality, and he also possessed a varied stuffed collection of the smaller native birds.

A Man of Wide Sympathies.

The town of Sudbury loses an inhabitant who was known and respected by everyone, not only on account of his long term as Postmaster, but because of his many-sided abilities. As an angler and umpire at cricket he was reckoned among the foremost in his locality, and he was no stranger to aeronautics, having made several ascents in company with the late Professor Youens, going up with him upon one occasion at the Crystal Palace when the Shah of Persia was there. No local movement of any kind took place, either in the shape of sport or entertainment, in which he did not take an interest, and he was always ready to lend a hand in any matter which tended to the education or enlightenment of the community. He was also a well-known local Freemason and town councillor.

As a friend it has been my pleasure to know Mr. Hills for the last twenty years, and he possessed personal characteristics which endeared him to everyone who knew him. His ideas upon all matters were tolerant and logical, and at no time did he seek self aggrandisement. He was patient and helpful to young fanciers, and in fact had as many young friends as men of his own age. When I say that he was a dear old chap, without any enemy in the world, I think I best describe him. He reached the goodly age of eighty-one years, and until about the last two years had always enjoyed very good health, and was, with the exception of failing eyesight (which ended in almost total blindness) a well preserved man. The receipt of a signed letter sent round by Mr. Crabb (President of the L.P. and O.S.) from old friends, was greatly appreciated by him. I am afraid we shall not meet his like again.

NOTES ON THE FINCH FAMILY.

By W. VALE, F.Z.S. ETC., (South Norwood).

(Contd. from page 123)

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases, "How to Feed Canaries," etc.

IN view of the necessity of keeping the cages of birds free from parasites, preference should be given to cages made of wood. This is owing to the possibility of them being made closer jointed, and much less liable to harbour parasites, more especially if they are occasionally dressed with fir-tree oil, or spirits of turpentine, both of which are fatal to parasites; these dressings will also tend to preserve the cage. In order to purify a cage, or to free it of parasites, it should in the first place be washed in hot soapy water, to which some borax or common washing soda has been added, using a rather stiff brush, which will reach every part of the cage. It should then be cleansed in as much water as will do it thoroughly, and then dried. When dry, if it has been infested by parasites, every part of it should be dressed with fir-tree oil, or spirits of turpentine, to which a few drops of beech creosote has been added. The cage may then be placed in the sun, or in some warm place, to dry, but not near a fire if it is a wooden cage. In the case of large aviaries the outside may be coated with a paint in which there is a considerable quantity of spirits of turpentine, and the inside dressed with limewash. The limewash should be made with freshly slaked lime, and to each gallon of the wash half an ounce of creosote and half an ounce of acetate or sulphate of copper should be added. A large handful of Demerara sugar should be added to each gallon in order to prevent it coming off on to the clothes of persons moving about the aviary.

In cages it is very necessary for birds to have as much room for exercise as can be conveniently allowed. The importance of exercise must be evident to one who is aware of its effect in assisting the lungs to purify the blood, and in the development of muscular power. As a matter of fact the development of the muscular power of the heart, bowel, and other muscles of involuntary action is of much more importance than of those of the limbs. In the case of Finches, the cage for a single bird should not be less than sixteen inches long, eight or nine wide, and sixteen inches high, and there should be three or four perches. The two bottom ones should not be far from each end of the cage, so that the bird may spring and fly to one near the centre, or to one near each end of the top of the cage. Where circumstances permit, it is advisable to allow more room than that prescribed. For birds of the size of the Canary the perches should be about half-an-inch in diameter, and the upper surface should be rounded, for on a flat perch a bird cannot get a firm or a comfortable grip, and its feet are liable to become injured or deformed.

When a bird sinks down on a perch its feet take an involuntary grip of it, and it has to rise in order to loosen the grip. This being the case, it may be easily understood that in course of time the feet would be very liable to become injured by having continually to grip any inelastic surface not conformable to the shape of the feet and claws. In most cases of inflammation of the claws the trouble has been caused by injury, but there may be a predisposing cause. When the inflammation has become persistent, and there is not any apparent cause, it may be assumed that it is due to an unnatural condition of the blood, sometimes owing to a too generous or an otherwise improper diet having been supplied.

In the case of inflammation of the joints of the feet or legs it is advisable to foment them two or three times daily, using comfortably hot water, or to steep them in warm water for a few minutes at a time, and it would be an advantage to add a few drops of spirits of turpentine to the water. In addition to the water treatment, the feet may be painted every alternate day with Lugol's solution, or liniment of iodine, obtainable from any chemist.

(To be continued.)

THE BREEDING AND REARING of CANARIES.

A Lecture by Mr. FRANK COLE to the New Cross C.B.S.

THE cages are of course the first consideration, and the best cage is the one that is most suitable to your room. You will find more pleasure in having uniform cages, and consequently should make the cages to fit your room or the corner of the room where you keep your pets. If you can allow for a 24-inch box breeding-cage well and good, but a 20-inch cage will do almost as well. This size is plenty large enough for one pair, and I see no advantage in having a 3-foot cage.

The hook for the nest pan should be put in the back so as to allow the rim of the pan to be about an inch above the perch.

A Prize-winning Hen Siskin.

This bird secured 2nd prize at the Horticultural Hall Show for Messrs. Price and Fellows (Walsall).

This compels the hen to get on to the edge of the pan when rising from the nest, and any eggs or young that might be under her feathers would usually roll back into the nest.

If you have room for a 3 or 4 feet flight cage or two, these will be very useful for moulting a number of birds in, or for housing your hens in the winter. I do not think a large cage is so good as two smaller ones for running one cock with two hens, as I have found the first hen goes to nest and settles down better then than when the cock is only divided by a partition. I should like to mention that I like the cage front in my breeder in two parts, so that if I wish I can put a slide through and divide the cage in two.

Points When Pairing.

The next question one has to consider in our delightful and, I may say, profitable hobby (for with care and attention a profit can easily be made) is the material at our disposal—our birds. In mating up we must consider what they are most suitable for, viz., whether we shall breed for show or stock, for size or quality. Before you attempt to pair any, consider their weaknesses. If it be head properties, then at least one pair that are strong in this respect must be mated. You may not breed a winner from them, but this will not be the object in view; the object is concentration of head properties, and if you do anything at all, you will have added very valuable material to your stock, most useful to you another season.

The rest of your stock may then be mated with the object of breeding a winner, or in taking a step forward in that direction. In doing this I have found that it pays best to mate your best pair together. If I had two good pairs and two second-raters, I should so mate them. I should not take say a first-class cock and mate it to a second-class hen. If I did I should expect to breed all second-class youngsters, because I have always found it is easier to go back than forward. We must always remember, too, that in continually breeding for show there is a likelihood that our birds will get smaller. I would therefore suggest that at least one pair be mated with the object of keeping up size, if size be an advantage to our own particular variety of Canaries. If this were done I am sure we should not need to be told to go to the Crestbred or Lancashire to get size in our Norwich. Personally I have the greatest abhorrence for such a suggestion, and I would rather get rid of my birds and start again if I had got into such a poor way with them. I am quite convinced there are plenty of good stock Norwich about without recourse to alien blood.

I do not wish to weary you on this question of mating with a definite object, but it is so important to take this step carefully. Unless you give this the greatest care, you cannot hope to succeed; although you may breed a decent-looking bird, it is more of an accident, and you cannot afford to rely on accidental happenings. In the words of the old song: "Something attempted, something done," is the only way to get satisfaction out of your hobby.

Preparing for Breeding.

I have not found any advantage in giving egg-food during the winter time. I know some people recommend a little once or so a week. This should not be necessary, however, unless the birds are unwell. My own birds have only had one egg during the last three months. Plenty of canary seed, with a little rape and a little mixed seed once a week should be quite sufficient during December, January and February. Exercise, fresh air, the bath, and grit and cuttlefish bone should be all required to get them into good healthy condition. To afford the exercise, I like the cocks in the breeding cages and the hens in the flights. At the end of February the hens may have a little inga seed and maw seed. The cocks can have a little mixture composed of Gold of Pleasure, inga, maw and hemp. About a quarter teaspoonful is enough for one bird.

A little soaked rape is good through the winter, say once a week. I usually prepare this by pouring boiling water on it and letting it stand say half-an-hour, then after rinsing in cold water and draining well I add sufficient Spratt's canary food to soak up the rest of the water. Half a teaspoonful of this is enough for one bird. A piece of sweet apple about the size of a Spanish nut makes a nice relish for one bird. If not eaten during the day this should be removed.

When the 1st of March arrives I give my room a thorough good clean out. All cages are washed out and repaired if necessary. This generally takes me till the middle of March, and if the weather be then fine and the birds in good condition I put them up, but with the partition in the middle of the cage. You will see the advantage of the partition. I have never found that all my pairs will agree if put straight together. Some cocks don't mind who you give them, so long as it is a hen; others have already made up their minds which one they want, and will keep calling to a hen in another cage, she in turn calling back. The partition soon settles all this, and very soon he or she is content with what they can get. When all is going smoothly you will see the cock singing to his mate. With head feathers erect, but others drawn in tightly, he will sing for all he is worth, dancing first on one leg, then on the other. The hen will respond by picking up a piece of something, or a feather.

Avoiding Squabbles

A little egg-food is now an advantage; give it to the cock, and he will pass some on to his mate. She will very soon come down to the partition and call him to feed her. Then you may take away the slide and rest assured that there will be no squabble to hurt. They may have a few words over something, but this is rather a good sign, and shows they are in good condition. Before finally letting them go to nest, catch them both and examine their claws. These should always have the points cut off, or the eggs may get perforated.

(To be continued.)

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Correspondence.

Shows of Birds for Sale.

Sir, Would it not be to the advantage of fanciers to hold purely "sale shows" for the sale of surplus stock? No catalogue or other expenses, save a local advt. or two, with a small gate charge, returnable to purchasers. Sellers could pay a small commission to the show. I was at several members' shows lately, and saw hardly a bird for sale, save at prohibitive prices. The fanciers had "plenty at home for sale," but it is often difficult to go and see them, whereas if at a show at a fair selling price sales would take place. I wanted some badly myself, but could not get any at these shows, and could not go to the owners' homes, as this is difficult from situation and time.

Old Fancier.

Is Mixed Seed as Bad as a Disease?

Sir,—Perhaps Mr. Balcombe will be pleased to know of my experience. I have caught at times thirty-five Goldfinches a year. Up to last August I always fed my fresh-caught Goldfinches exactly as Mr. Balcombe says—rape, canary, crushed hemp and thistle seed, soaked. But I could never seem to get them on to it, and always lost the biggest portion of my birds. So I decided to get from Cage Birds office a "Nutshell" on the Goldfinch and give the advice therein a trial. I have had no cause to regret it so far, having caught thirty two since August, and out of these can account for twenty-nine in the best of health. I have had much better luck so far. I should be pleased if other fanciers would state their ideas.

S. Payne.

When Judges Disagree.

Sir,—I have read with great interest the correspondence concerning "White Rose." I see no reason whatever to doubt that it is a Canary-Bullfinch, as some of our most prominent judges have placed it at the top, and surely these gentlemen know what a bird is when they see it. I have not had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Parlett, but I do not think that he, or any other successful exhibitor, would think of placing a rare-feathered British bird on the show bench as a Hybrid. Why are not some of the beautiful Clear Mules that we frequently see on the bench "kicked out" as Canaries? If it is possible to produce light feathered birds from Linnet and Goldfinch and Canary, why should it not be so to produce light feathers from a Canary and hen Bullie. I have watched "White Rose" from show to show, and hope he will long be spared to bring his owner many more red tickets.

R. Blake.

How Should Cups be Awarded?

Sir,—How pleased I was to read the letter "How should Cups be Awarded?" by Mr. Rawsthorne. I have been tempted time after time to send you just such a letter, but have always fought shy of doing so. Mr. Rawsthorne expresses my own views to a nicety. As a novice fancier of this city it has been quite plain to me for a long time that there is no equal chance as regards specials and cups for the fancier who unfortunately suffers from the shallow pocket, and cannot afford to exhibit more than about six to eight birds. But in my opinion these are the real fanciers, as many a time they go short themselves so that their birds may reap the benefit. It is also very plain that the societies do not care to take the matter up; I suppose on account of the entries. I personally think that all classes of fanciers should be considered by their respective societies; also I am certain the sportsmanlike qualities of the real fancier would not let the entries suffer to any great extent. I would not say that the cups should not be won outright by any member, provided there was given a sporting chance to the fancier unable to send forward thirty or more birds. Now is the time for fanciers placed in this position to express their views. I hope before long to see our societies taking the matter up. There is no spleen against any society or fancier, and therefore none is required in return; but, as Mr. Rawsthorne states, good honest discussion in a friendly spirit.

A Liverpool Novice.

Sir, I noticed the letter from Mr. Rawsthorne, and as I happen to have made a similar move here a few weeks ago in connection with the four splendid challenge cups belonging to our society, I should like to express my views. I quite agree that the methods in some cases defeat the very object for which the cups were intended, but I think your readers will admit that this trouble does not exist to the same extent everywhere, in Cardiff, at all events, where the cups are won by most points gained with six highest birds in each particular section. As an example, I may say that our British cup, though open to the whole of the British section, was won with four entries, three of which actually stood in one class. Here, then, surely, the small stud has a good run for its money and winning a cup worth £7 10s., to say nothing of prize-money, for so few a number of entries. The trouble to me is, when one sees a very ordinary specimen scoring 7 points in a class of three or four birds, while it often happens that a bird of much higher merit may be standing with only 1 point to its credit in a class of, say, 30. 'Tis very apparent that something should be done to remedy this, and I would suggest that in counting points for cups, or any other competition of this kind, that the number of birds in each class should constitute the number of points gained by the first prize winner, i.e., if 30 in class 1st bird gets 30 points, 2nd 29, and so on, down to commended. Someone may argue that a class of three or four may contain the best bird in the show. Granted; but even if so, it is a rare occurrence, and only affects the class it stands in, while I think no one can deny that the birds which win in very heavy classes should be entitled to more points than those winning in small ones.

E. J. Davies.

The Heavily-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—With Mr. H. Norman's admission that he naturally concluded that I had been lenient to the winners in class 29, I am not desirous of pursuing the matter further, other than to express my regret that he did not in similar language convey his impression to the Fancy, instead of declaring that "I seemed to have been caught napping," an alternative as mischievous as it was unfortunate, though doubtless merely a lapsus calami. His reference to a select circle, and the officials of the show, I leave to those concerned, as the only circle I associate myself with is the one that admits "the tinker, the tailor, the candlestick maker," and others, upon the same footing as even he of the blue blood, and lengthy pedigree, be it doubtful or otherwise.

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—Mr. D. Williams' letter sums the situation up to a nicety. Mr. Davis will be foolish indeed if he allows the matter to rest where it is. This is a matter that concerns all exhibitors. We all have a right to expect our birds to be judged according to the strict wording of the schedule. It is within my own knowledge that at one of the largest shows held this season a judge was trotting round with fanciers telling them that, had he done his duty, he would have pegged back some of the winners for illegal practices on the part of the exhibitors. We, at any rate, through Cage Birds, know that there are judges who admit they don't do their duty. Thank heaven, fanciers, you have the press.

Exhibitor.

Sir, Re your editorial comment in issue of 27th ult. If I have done you an injustice I regret the same exceedingly, and beg to tender my apology for what is wholly unintentional on my part. All of us agree with Mr. Allsopp when he says: "three exhibits did not conform to schedule description," etc. Are we sure that these three were the only birds in the show which were given a liberal margin in their class? I am not desirous of creating further trouble, but I could point out one section—not Norwich—where exactly the same thing occurred, yet no one "raised the dust" over that bird. The truth is, trouble was bound to occur, and Mr. Allsopp and Messrs. Banks and Sampson took a truly sportsmanlike view of the situation and gave the birds a "run for their money." Had it been in the novice section I am convinced everyone would have agreed to the verdict. Mr. Davis may cry for his pound of flesh, but I pray that good Portia may give Antonio the same verdict as did Shakespeare.

(Rev.) C. B. Jolliffe.

Sir,—I agree with everything Mr. Williams says. I cannot see how Mr. Allsopp can style his action as "the lesser of two evils," or "for the benefit of the Fancy generally." or "in the direction of the greatest good." Tho plain fact remains that he benefited three birds which were in the wrong at the expense of nine which were in the right. I know Mr. Allsopp well, and admire him well as a man and a fancier, as do all the Cardiff fanciers, but I must state that I did not hear anyone in the show in agreement with his action—perhaps, however, they did not like to tell him so personally. Another point he overlooked (and I think it a most important point) is that some of the beaten exhibitors might very well have been able to show better lightly marked birds than they did heavily marked, but they read the schedule aright, and kept them at home. Thus Mr. Allsopp put them at a double disadvantage. I know that is what happened to

Another Exhibitor.

Sir,—Seeing that Mr. H. J. Davis brings me so prominently before your readers in your last issue as a doubtful sportsman he really compels an answer. Without going into further controversy as to classifying and judging, I take the liberty of drawing Mr. Davis' attention to Rule 2, the latter portion of which he has evidently overlooked.

W. Crawshaw.

The rule referred to reads: "2.—The Judges shall be empowered to withhold a Prize or Prizes in any of the classes, in which, in their opinion, there is not sufficient merit, also to disqualify any exhibit shown in a fraudulent or unnatural condition. A protest may be lodged at the Sales Office, during the Show, together with a fee of 5s. to be refunded if the protest be upheld."—Editor.

Sir,—Some of us Norwich fanciers in Scotland are much interested in this correspondence. We got an "eye opener" when we read the reply of the judge, Mr. Allsopp, admitting the first three birds were not eligible, although they got the first three prizes. And yet this might have got through without comment had it not been for the reporter, who acted without fear or favour. Mr. Allsopp must not think that when acting as a judge he and the committee can ignore the printed schedule sent out to the public, and make classes to suit themselves. On the other hand, the owners of the first three birds I think would not have been surprised if they had got the birds in dispute marked "Wrong Class," as no doubt they would read the schedule, and they know well enough what heavily-marked, "more dark than light," means. May we ask Mr. Allsopp just one question: What would he have done himself if he had been an exhibitor and owner of the 4th prize bird?

Three Scotties.

Prize Cards versus Prize Money

Sir,—I must say I have been heartily glad that numerous gentlemen have taken up the subject of prize cards, in my opinion far more valuable than the prize money, which usually only just covers the entry and railway carriage; so what is the use of exhibiting if this is all you get? Again, when the novice exhibits some decent birds and perhaps gets 4th and vhc, he is almost certain to be out of pocket by the showing; but if he gets two nice prize cards to put up in his bird-room, he is "bucked up" a bit, and does not mind nearly so much as if he got nothing in return. Then when anyone comes round wishing to secure a bird or two, if you have the prize cards to show them they will be much more likely to purchase something.

E. G. S. E.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

A Plea for Judges Who Know.

Sir,—I am afraid Mr. Clegg and I will never agree on what constitutes a good Norwich. True, the Ardwick winner is a good one, but since then the second prize bird has won at Glasgow and the Welsh National shows—not minor events these. It would seem as if every judge and every reporter, by pushing this bird up, is conspiring to thwart Mr. Clegg. Perhaps Mr. Allsopp will give his opinion on the bird, now he has seen it, and say whether it is worthy of the honours showered upon it. Mr. Clegg asks how to get a more uniform type in our Norwich classes. That is simple. Appoint judges who know what a Norwich should be, and who know the points that are the hardest to obtain, instead of those judges who are specialists in everything from a Border Fancy to a Macaw.

Sue Rosa.

Alien Characters Said to be Too Much In Evidence.

Sir,—I am sorry Mr. Bastock thinks I have done him an injustice. I assure him I had no such intention. It is only a question of degree, and you partly confirm my remarks by stating that you have found that Crest breeders won't part with good birds. You will find also that the N.P. of to-day (taking the birds on exhibition) show too much of an "Alien" character—great size, length of feather, and silky, browy heads. From where these properties have been obtained is obvious. There can be no objection to any fancier manufacturing his own strain, but I do object to this production being put on the show bench when only half-way through its course, and many judges giving such preference over the pure, typical, beautifully modelled bird which complies with the standard. It does not matter to me how you breed them—double buff, double yellow from Crestbreds, Greens or Cinnamons—so long as you show a bird complying with the standard. If judges won't adhere to the standard, who is to blame? Are they masters of the situation, or is the Fancy? The N.P. classes have for some years now been losing their popularity. Do societies approve of the standard being strictly adhered to? If so, then select only judges who can and will conform to your request without fear or favour.

Barker Clegg.

A Hard Hit at the Small Hen.

Sir,—I am not in the habit of writing to the Fancy Press, but perhaps your readers will allow me a little liberty on this occasion owing to my having bred the N.P with a little success. In the first place the present winners are birds of size, type, quality, and colour. Thus the best birds for stock purposes are the winners; but we cannot have a quantity of winners (some not at all) so we must try to breed them in another way. I agree with one of your writers that the hen must play a prominent part in breeding for size. I also say that it is feather that makes most show birds appear larger than they really are, but the said feather must be of good quality and lie the right way. I once bred a winner that had feather sufficient to clothe a Thrush, but this was of such quality that it fitted the bird like wax. As there is a plentiful supply of stock birds, if only we move about to look for them, I need not recommend a cross, and have never used an outcross myself to produce size; still, the remark has been made of my birds: "Too large for Norwich." But when does the small bird win? It never should if there is a good big one in the class. From my first year of breeding the N.P. it has been the same old story—breed from a big cock and a small, typical hen. To my mind this is all bunkum, and a roundabout road of reaching the goal. If you visit a room of one of these advocates you will find that he also has some large hens, which are not for sale. When starting a stud, my advice to the novice and to the unsuccessful exhibitor is to go in for size, type, quality and colour, for without these as a foundation in male and female the first prize red ticket will be long looked for.

R. P. Bixter.

The Combined Parental Influence.

Sir,—If Mr. J. Bastock will keep in mind that at the moment I am referring to size in our breed, he will not find it difficult to reconcile points he is apparently experiencing some difficulty with. Although I have advocated a wealth of feather, or "padding," as desirable in establishing "cobbiness," I have never associated it with size, which feature is determined by actual size of frame; at least, should be so, in my opinion. Where the obtaining of size is the chief consideration, I have suggested breeders might rely upon large hens, with partners equally as large, or larger, as a more reliable mating than the general one of large cock paired to small or medium sized hen. Surely the combined parental influence towards size is greater than when this influence is derived from only one parent, through successive generations! Also if, as I have already suggested, a blend is seldom produced from any pair, but the progeny are distinctly like father, or mother, in characteristics, including size, are not our chances towards more size vastly increased where both parents excel in this respect? In theory and practice the heavy-boned, well-developed female must have an influence towards size, though I will not say equally so with the male in our breed.

E. W. Allsopp.

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More Twin Canaries.

Sir,—I have a Yorkshire hen which laid four eggs on 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th of Feb., and hatched out three young ones on the 25th. I had a look at the two remaining eggs, and one was fertile. I let it remain until the 27th, when I saw the shell was broken, and on examining it I found it contained two birds, barely alive. I freed them from the shell, but they only lived a few hours.

P. Hayes.

A Substitute for Egg Food.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. A. R. Fox for a receipe for an egg food substitute, I can recommend Mr. Thos. Chiswell's, which appeared in Cage Birds of Feb. 21, 1914. This was one pound of whole wheat meal and as many eggs as it will absorb (about eight it takes). Bake in a slow oven for three hours. Let it get cold, then cut it into four pieces, put these on a wire and hang them up for a week. Then crush and dry in the oven. I put half pound of the best lard in it, which makes it better to crush. When making up the food for the birds I put two or three drops of cod liver oil emulsion in, which makes them strong and healthy. I wish all fanciers a good breeding season.

M. Rainford.

Bird-song and Sunrise.

Sir,—I have been very interested this winter in noting the exactness of the relationship between bird-song and sunrise in the case of two of my pet birds—a pair of Starlings. Noticed accidentally one morning, the habit grew of comparing their first shrill "good-morning" whistle with the hour mentioned in the local time-table as sunrise, and the feathered chronometers never varied more than half a minute. It was not just a question of light with them apparently (many pet birds will sing at any hour if exposed to artificial light, I know) as during the very dark days of December the gas in my bird-room had to be lit fully an hour before sunrise, but they remained on their perches, seemingly sound asleep. The moment 8.40 a.m. dawned, however, they woke up suddenly, came down to the door of their respective cages and lustily sang for breakfast worms. This may be quite usual in a state of freedom, but in caged-birds (and hand-reared ones at that) it is surely an instinctive habit which five years' happy captivity has not eradicated.

Dan McArthur.

Mice and Rats in Cages and Aviaries.

Sir,—On the morning of Feb. 7 I went to feed birds as usual, and found nothing left of four Bullfinches but feathers. They were advertised for sale in Cage Birds of the previous Friday. My aviary is divided in the middle by ¾-inch mesh netting; all netting outside is ½-inch. I had three pairs of Budgerigars in the other half. One was sitting in a husk; I found her dead, but not eaten. The others were all right then, and as I thought this creature wouldn't return till night I left the birds there until I had prepared a room indoors for them. Then I went to catch the birds up. To my dismay, when I opened the door, an animal about eight inches long with brown fur rushed out of another husk and was gone instantly. It had nearly eaten up another hen, which had gone into the husk to lay. From inquiries I find this pest is a weasel. I searched for the entrance hole and found one about ¾-inch across at the top of aviary, behind a post (aviary is built against wall, and part of roof is covered with ivy). My idea is that mice made this hole, as I had caught four one night previously. I have tried several devices to catch the animal, but have not succeeded yet. It got in a trap one night, but managed to get out, and has not been there since. One of the Bullfinch cocks was the largest I have ever seen.

Devonport Harry Hood.

A Method of "Outing" Mice.

Sir,—I read that Mr Johnson and others are troubled with mice in their aviaries. I had no trouble in getting rid of mice in my pigeon loft. The above named gentleman should get some traps from Samuel Young (Misterton, Crewkerne, Somerset); he sells them at 3d. each. I then get a piece of board 2½in. wide and tack a piece of cardboard in an arch over the board; tack in one side first, then turn over the cardboard and tack it to the other side of board, which makes the arch. It is better to flatten the top of the arch so that it be 2 inches over the board of the trap, to let the spring of the trap have room to work. Bait with a small piece of cheese and scatter a little canary seed on the trap. There will be a mouse in the trap in the morning. The object of the arch of cardboard is that pigeons cannot walk on the trap; the same will keep off the small birds, but for them close up the ends of the arch, leaving a small hole for the mouse.

Cork Man.

Club Reports.

ROSSENDALE R.C.C.

Meeting, Mar. 2. Decided to hold annual singing contest, Nov. 19 and 20. Also decided that members must pay their annual subs. before being supplied with rings. Secs. of Roller Societies please note date, and save clashing of shows.—H. Wantling.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 20. Mr. Cresswell chair, G. Forster and F. Carter were made members. Officers stand the same as last year. Annual show date fixed for Dec. 18, a week after Gateshead.—W. Thompson, Sec.

BLAENAVON C.B.S.

Well attended meeting Crown Hotel, Mar. 4. After the usual business Mr. Geo. Broome gave a paper on Breeding, which was read in a very able manner, and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Another new member was made, a noted pigeon breeder having turned over.—G. T. Jones, Sec.

STANLEY (Victoria Club) F.F. and C.B.S.

Meeting Feb. 28, Mr. R. Peart chair. Election of officers: Chair, J. Armitage; sec., R. Hutchinson. Moved we keep our old show date, Dec. 4 and 5. Vote of thanks given to the retiring officers, R. Peart and W. Elliott. Now, members, give us your support in making this club the best in North-West Durham by attending the meetings.—R. Hutchinson.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Meeting, Mar. 2. The Chairman, Mr. W. H. Vale, who had been unavoidably absent from previous meetings this year, was given a hearty welcome. Sec.'s report on the pair show showed a satisfactory profit of about 5s., and prize money was paid to winners present. At next meeting, April 6, a discussion will be conducted by the Sec., Mr. T. J. Hose, on egg-foods and soft foods generally, and as Mr. Hose is a fancier of many years' experience, we confidently anticipate a good meeting.—A. R. Coe.

WARRINGTON C.B.S.

Meeting, Feb. 25, Mr. Rice chair. Messrs. H. W. Battye, George Large, and J. D. Leigh were appointed judges for the annual show, Oct. 15 and 16. Mr. G. M. Nelson gave a washing exhibition chiefly for the benefit of the novices. He carefully explained the various stages as he proceeded, and for the final stage used one of Wilsou's patent drying cages. Several of the members afterwards tried their hand, some for the first time, and the final results showed that a very profitable evening had been spent.—H. Warburton, Hon. Sec.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Special meeting Mar. 2. Mr. Gibbons, who presided, spoke feelingly of the loss the society had sustained by the death of Mr. E. Noakes. It was resolved that a letter of sympathy be sent to the widow and family, and to grant a sum from funds to head subscription list. A gift class was added to schedule for next table show, all birds to be sold and the proceeds to be given to fund. Mr. Gibbins was elected to judge next show. The usual table show was held, Mr. Jno. Allen judged. Nor. Unflg. Buff Ck.: 1, hc, Hulse; 2, Sturgess; 3, vhc, Moores. Nov. Buff Ck.: 1, 2, 3, c, Jolley; vhc, Butler; hc, Deakin. Mule or Hyb.: 1, 2, Brooks.—A. Freestone.

GREENOCK, PORT GLASGOW AND GOUROCK O.S.

Meeting, Mar. 3, Headquarters, Shepherd's Hall. President, W. L. Stewart, chair, and a good turnout of members. Office-bearers for 1915 elected:—Pres., D. Molloy; vice-pres., W. L. Steward; treas., J. Preston; sec., J. Dooley; committee, Messrs. D. Brown, W. McDiarmid, (Port Glasgow), J. Allison, M. E. Campbell (Gourock), D. Best, J. Roddin, C. Stewart, J. Ralston (Greenock). Three new members were proposed by Mr. Preston. Next meeting April 7, when we hope there will be a good attendance. Any fancier in the district not yet in touch with us will be made welcome.—J. Dooley, Sec.

PERTH CITY & COUNTY C.B.S.

Meeting, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, Mar. 1. Mr. R. Crawford, vice-pres., chair. Sec. read correspondence. New rules were gone over very carefully, and approved. Mr. W. Blyth's motion from previous meeting was then gone into re cups for each section. After an amendment had been proposed, the motion was unanimously carried. Cups for Crest or C.B., Nor, Borders, Scotch F., Yorks., British, Mules, Hybrid, and Foreign. A committee, Mr. R. Crawford, D. Carstairs, and the sec., was appointed to go round the jewellers. New members elected: G. Wylie, J. Curbert. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Meeting, Mar. 6, Lockhart's, Briggate. Mr. H. J. Mennard chair. Sec. read balance sheet for 1914, which showed a balance on the right side of £6 2s. 3d., and seeing that the Society was over £5 in debt at the beginning of the year, this was considered very satisfactory by all present. Members elected: Messrs. C. Walker, A. Senior, E. Wrightson, and J. Lamb. Chairman made an appeal for specials for the coming season, which brought forth specials from Messrs. W. A. Wilson, E. Middleton, H. J. Mennard, H. Yelland, J. Smith, and 2s. 6d. each towards the special fund from Messrs. J. Owen, E. Norton, H. Reed, E. Reed, E. Longley, W. Tose, J. Livingstone, H. Simms, A. Appleyard, T. Wadman, and R. Watkinson. Mr. W. Bolton, cage maker, Mercy Street, Leeds, kindly gave three 14in. stock cages, enamelled white, with all fittings, one double breeder, fully fitted, and two Yorkshire show cages with case, to be competed for at members' shows during the season. The Chairman spoke a few words on the work done by the Sec. during the year; he was supported by other members present, and the sum of £5 3s. was granted as an honorarium to the Sec., who responded, thanking the members for their kindness and for the very loyal support they had given him in the past, and hoping for a continuation of the same in the future. The rest of the evening was taken up with an interesting pair show, judged by Messrs. W. Hornby and J. Chambers, who gave entire satisfaction. Yorks. Champ. (5): 1, vhc, H. Simms; 2, W. Johnson; 3, 4, J. Sykes. Nor. (8): 1, hc, W. A. Wilson; 2, 4, J. Livingstone; 3, W. Johnson; vhc, c, H. Heald. A.O.V. (4): 1, 3, H. J. Mennard; 2, 4, W. Hornby. Mule or Hyb. (12): 1, H. Heald, 2, c, E. Middleton; 3, 4, vhc, hc, J. Owen. Nov. Yorks. (1): 1, E. Wrightson. Nor. (2): 1, 2, J. Lamb.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

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SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting, Waterloo Hotel, March 3, Mr. W. G. Fellows chair. After electing a new member (Mr. A. H. Baker), table pair show and judging competition was held, Mr. W. J. Hartnell winning the judging prize (kindly given by chairman). A very fine lot of birds were benched. Nor.: 1, Chandler; 2, 3, hc, Page; vhc, Fellows; vbc, c, Washer. Yorks.: 1, hc, Hayter; 2, 3, Egerton; vhc, Snowden; c, Winter. Crest: 1, Fellows. Hyb. or Mul. Pairs: 1, vbc, Hartnell; 2, 3, Fellows; hc, c, Vale.—G. J. Slade, Assist. Sec.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Adjourned annual meeting, with a fair turn-out of members, who decided to have an annual show, the date for which was fixed for Nov. 12 and 13, and to write several gentlemen as to their terms, etc., for judging same. The members regret to announce that one of their members, Mr. R. S. Bewick, of Newfield, has sustained a severe loss by the death of one of his sons, who was accidentally killed in the pit at the early age of 27 years, and leaves a widow and one son; it was decided to send a vote of sympathy to Mr. R. Bewick in his severe loss. Election of officers adjourned to next meeting.—Geo. Havver, Sec.

NEWARK C.B.S.

Annual general meeting, Mar. 3, Friendly Societies' Room, a representative attendance present. Balance sheet was adopted, showing the society had had a prosperous year's working, and still leaving a balance in hand of £3 11s. 5½d. Officers elected:—Pres., Ald. Appleby; vice-pres., Mr. J. R. Starkey, M.P., the Mayor (Mr. J. C. Kew), Mr. H. A. Colefax, Mr. E. F. Nicholson, Mr. V. Warwick, Mr. J. T. Parnham, Ald. W. E. Knight; chair, Mr. A. Wells; vice-chair, Mr. W. Toynbee; hon. sec., Mr. W. Lidgett; hon. treas., Mr. W. Lamb; committee, Messrs. W. Measham, W. Fitchett, W. Staniland (Collingham), G. Hopkinson, W. Ashton (Besthorpe), G. Brunning, H. Stevenson, F. C. Lees, F. Burbidge.—W. Lidgett, Hon. Sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Meeting Feb. 27, Mr. W. Brotherton chair, and a good muster. Mr. D. J. Heyward elected a member, making eight new members this year. Decided to hold N.F. shows June 12 and July 10, and to ask Mr. J. Warrender, Hoyland, to judge the first, and Mr. F. Gregory, Sheffield, the July show. Decided to hold a table show next meeting night, when members are requested to bring a bird or two. Members are to judge same, and give slips in to sec., when Mr. J. Webster, Rotherham, will judge the birds finally. Decided that Mr. W. Bagnall become a life member of the society, he having given his birds up to his son, who is also a member of the society. Decided to hold meetings in future at 7 p.m., owing to early closing.—J. E. Taylor, Sec.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

Adjourned annual meeting, Mar. 4, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, Mr. W. Espie chair, and a good attendance. Sec. absent owing to illness. Election of officers for 1915:—Pres., vice-pres., and patrons as 1914, with addition of Mr. T. C. Crawhall; chairman and show manager, Mr. R. Tindale; vice-chair, Mr. W. Espie; auditors, Messrs. C. Farrer and M. Cossar; sec. and treas., J. W. Reed; committee, Messrs. W. Mackenzie, J. Mackenzie, J. Maddison, W. Curry, F. Wyndham, J. Irving, C. Farrer, H. Wellsbury, A. Holden, F. W. Laidlow, C. G. Pettersson, T. Smith, A. Montgomery, J. Johnstone, J. McGuire, A. C. Young, M. C. Potts, J. B. Bell, H. Bird, S. Lindsay, W. Lyst, T. Hall. Lord Mayor's Fund stands over for present. Open show fixed for Oct. 22 and 23. Discussion opened by Mr. Tindale, "Pairing, Breeding, and Rearing of Canaries." Several members afterwards gave their views on the subject, which had proved very interesting, and created a friendly feeling throughout the meeting. Mr. Tindale was accorded a hearty vote of thanks for opening. Next meeting, April 1. Mr. A. Holden will give a paper on the Norwich Canary; every fancier is given an invitation, whether a member or not. Subs. are now due.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

GREAT HORTON (Good Intent) O.S

Social and prize distribution, Feb. 27. The night was wild and wet, and we were agreeably surprised at the turn-up, which was 70. Mr. J. W. Kaberry, vice-pres., introduced Mr. D. Sunderland, who was chairman for the evening. Mr. Sunderland said that the novice was the backbone of the fancy, but we want to keep them after they have won the novice medal. One way was for the novice to keep his best bird instead of selling to the top sawyers, for he then goes down and sometimes out of the fancy altogether. Your subscription is low, said Mr. Sunderland, and I do not see why you should not have a lot more members. I think breeders should have more money for their surplus, and I should be pleased to hear of your society having a meeting to discuss it. We then started off with the programme. Glees were rendered by the Aberdeen Male Voice Glee Party, recitations by Mrs. Sunderland, and comic songs by Mr. T. Brook. Mrs. Sunderland presented the prizes won during season 1914:—Cup and gold medal, A. Firth, 106 points; smoking cabinet, G. Ackroyd, 85; silver medal, gold-centre, D. Bartle, 84; two-cage show case, G. H. Warburton, 80; 2s. 6d., J. W. Kaberry, 59; novice most points, Mr. W. G. Wheelwright, 40 pts.: most pts. with birds fed on Dibb's colour feed, A. Firth. Supper was then served, and Mr. Pedder brought his gramophone into play until the meeting finished. Next meeting Mar. 13 George Congregational School, All Saints Road.—A. Firth, Sec.

GLASGOW C.B.A.

Presentation to Mr. W. Hutchison.

First annual smoker, Bank Restaurant, Queen Street, Glasgow, Feb. 19, with a representative gathering of fanciers from the city and surrounding districts. Mr. J. F. Park, president, presided over the carrying out of a most enjoyable and extended programme. The health of the Royal Family was toasted, and the company joined in singing God Save the King, after which Messrs. Reid, McGregor, McLellan, and Muir rendered songs in good style, and Mr. Campbell amused the company by the clever manipulation of a little dancing figure. The chairman explained that the chief object of the gathering was to do honour to a much respected fancier, Mr. W. Hutchison. They all knew that Mr. Hutchison was a great worker, and a most popular sec., how ungrudgingly he had laboured for the well being of his society, and the association felt that the time had come when they should show their appreciation of his valuable services by presenting him with some token of esteem. They likewise could not forget Mrs. H., who is a rare assistant in the work. Mr Park therefore asked him to accept a handsome writing bureau for himself, and a richly silver-mounted umbrella for Mrs. H. On rising to reply, words seem to fail Mr. Hutchison in his efforts to convey his thanks. He felt that he only had done his duty, and he would continue to discharge that duty so long as he held the post; he hoped that he would be spared for many years to use and cherish the gifts. Mr A. Crawford, an elocutionist of no mean order, delighted the audience with recitations and selections from the poet Burns' works in fine style. The Glasgow and Dis. C.B.A. was toasted by R. H. Livingstone, who spoke of the great work done by the society, and the uphill fight the management had had. With the support of the fancy they had earned success, and they would continue to push on so long as they received the support they justly deserved. Mr. Barron replied in suitable words. Mr. McLay proposed "Kindred Societies," Mr. R. B. Gibb replying. Mr. Black proposed "The Press," to which R. H. Livingstone replied. Mr. S. Dunlop, who is a crack hand in the art of whistling, then rendered "Killarney" beautifully, and his second effort, a comic song and patter, with whistling accompaniment, was greatly enjoyed. Songs were given also by Messrs. McKenna, Hare, Hislop, McGlennan, Silver, Cameron, and Fraser, and Mr. Middleton delighted the company with his manipulation of a bunch of paper; this he seemed to be a master hand in turning into anything.

YORKSHIRE CANARY CLUB.

Meeting Mar. 6, Mr. H. H. Towers (president) in chair. Decided to hold prize distribution in conjunction with the C.M.Y.C.C. at Market Tavern, Godwin-street, Bradford, Mar. 20, at 6, when I trust that all members who can make it convenient will attend to receive prizes, etc. A hearty invitation is extended to all fanciers who care to be present. There are still a few outstanding subs. which I should be pleased to receive.—John Greaves, Hon. Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting, March 3, headquarters, Mr. A. H. C. Legg, chair, and a good attendance. Prize-money was awarded for show of Feb. 24, which proved a great success. Winners of specials: Legg, most entries, most points, and in classes 14 to 18; Greeves and Richards, Nor., 1 to 3, and best col.-fed.; Baker, Yorks., 4 to 6; Evans, Bord., 7 to 10; Jones, muling pairs, 11 to 13; Emanual, best Brit., 19 to 21; Jones, best single bird, Nor., Yorks., or mules, 22 to 26. Please attend next meeting, March 17, at headquarters; Mr. Greeves will give a washing exhibition; also bring all unsold admission tickets. Members in arrears, please pay up, as we intend to make the society one of the best in Wales. By the look of our show we can do it, for I have never seen a nicer lot of birds, and by next show, early in July, we shall have something to look at in birds and prizes, for quite a lot of specials have been promised.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

GREEN CANARY ASSOCIATION.

Annual dinner and distribution of prizes will take place March 17, at Bee Hotel, St. John's Lane. Everything points to a splendid evening; prizes to be presented by the President. All fanciers interested, please write for a ticket, 2s. 6d. each, to F. Handley, 23, Coventry Road. Despite the war, our competition throughout the season has been one of the keenest known, both in champions and novices. Winners for each section: Champ. Yorks.: 1, Metcalfe, 92 points, cup; 2, Skilling, 58; 3, Handley, 48; 4, Jones, 33. Nor.: 1, Handley, 56, cup; 2, Walker, 47; 3, Thornton, 38; 4, Lawson, 34; 5, Bull, 32. Bord.: 1, Middleton, 60, cup; 2, Johnston, 54; 3, Montgomery, 51. Nov., Yorks.: 1, Rogers, 104; 2, Stewart, 74; 3, Richardson, 56; 4, Evans, 54; Smith, 42. Nor.: 1, Lester, 74; 2, Pugh, 72; 3, Steel, 71; 4, Bache, 60; 5, Parsons, 31. Bord.: 1, Collier, 186, cup; 2, Longmoore, 82; 3, Evans, 72. Medal, most points for outside shows, Stewart. Next meeting general, March 25; please attend.—F. Handley.

GLASGOW & W. COUNTIES P.C.

Meeting and muling and hyb. pairs show Mar. 6, Good Templars Halls, 122, Ingram Street, before a good muster. After routine business the show was held. Mr. Peter Pettigrew put down a grand team, and had quite his share, both of the prizes and specials; it would be well if other members would take a pattern from the veteran, both in enthusiasm and punctuality. A bumper entry is desired for show, April 3. Classes: Goldf., Linnet F.M., ditto H.M. Decided to have a ramble in May, place to be decided upon by vote at next meeting. Messrs. P. Pettigrew, W. Jamieson, W. Hamilton, J. Findlay, and G. Buchanan kindly supplied the specials for show, and were cordially thanked for same. Judges were Messrs. J. Downie, Bridgeton, and Jas. McGowan, Glasgow, and their awards met with general approval. Goldf. and Can.: 1, 2, Pettigrew. Linnet and Can.: 1, Baunerman; 2, sp, Findlay; 3, 4, spl., Pettigrew. Muling: 1, 2, Pettigrew; 3, sp, 6, Findlay; 4, Fitzpatrick; 5, sp, 7, Baunerman. Hyb.: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Pettigrew; 5, Jamieson; 6, 7, Findlay. Fanciers desirous of becoming members can have full particulars from J. H. Adam, Hon. Sec., 15, Alexander Street, Sandyford, Glasgow.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

3rd annual social and prize distribution, Mar. 3, St. Thomas's School, Ardwick. The special prizes, comprising Dr. Twigg's silver challenge cup, rose bowls, teapots, gold and silver medals, framed pictures, etc., were on view, Mr. W. Robinson chair, and a company of over 100 members and friends. The chairman, who was responsible for the musical part of the programme, provided an excellent array of talent. The pianist, Mr. Seed, opened the evening with a pianoforte solo. Songs were rendered by Mr. J. Schofield (tenor), Mr. Sellers (humorist), Mr. Riddlesworth (baritone), Mrs. Hill, and Miss Hunt, all receiving great applause, and several encores having to be sung. Mr. A. Conduit gave an exciting and thrilling recitation. During an interval of 45 minutes the company did justice to the good things provided. The president, Rev. C. E. Gaul, presented the prizes for the past year. Mr. S. T. Oldham, who, unfortunately, was not present, was the winner of Dr. Twigg's silver challenge cup for the first year, accompanied with a gold medal from the society, also rose bowl, most points British, and several other prizes. Mr. J. Vint won silver-plated teapot most points amateur; Mr. J. Richards, silver rose bowl most points novice, bound volume 2nd most points open show; Mr. A. H. Hill, teapot and stand most points novice British; Rev. J. W. Wragg, framed picture; Mr. H. Bootliman, silver medal. A vote of thanks was accorded to the pianist and artists for the excellent musical programme which had made it a very enjoyable evening. On behalf of the artistes Mr. Sellers replied, and thanked the company for their appreciation, promising to come and assist the society on any future occasion. A most pleasant evening was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem. J. Spencer, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

COUGHS AND GASPS (M.B., Cardiff).—I suspect you have kept the bird in unhealthy surroundings, probably in the way of direct cold draughts, or sudden extremes of temperature, or too near a burning light in the evenings, or, perhaps, banging in a window. Any or all of these exciting causes of the condition must be removed before you can hope to bring about any material improvement. Then treat as follows for a few weeks. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape mixed together. In addition, give separately twice a week half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed. On two other days each week give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and linseed. Give a little green salad —dandelion, chickweed, or watercress—daily. Stop all other items, and limit the diet solely to this for a month at least. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice for three consecutive days, and every second day after for the rest of the week. After this give five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight.

WILL IT BREED? (B. Steel).—If the hen continues in good health and active, I see no reason why she should not breed successfully, in spite of the fact that she has not moulted her head plumage. She has evidently changed most of her plumage, and although there is some little risk of her finishing up the moult in the next week or two, I do not advise you to attempt to force her into moult, as she appeals to be in a normal state of health. To do so now would render her useless for breeding during the best part of the breeding season, as you could not expect her to be fit for breeding for at least six weeks after the commencement of the moult. Better leave well alone, and mate her up and get what you can during the early part of the season. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this in the drinking water two days in every three for a fortnight to brace her up.

MAKES TICKING NOISE (R. McL.).—The bird seems to be in a bad way, and suffering from advanced bronchial trouble. You must see that it is kept in a fairly equable temperature, and quite free from cold draughts and sudden extremes of heat and cold, as well as protecting it from the fumes of burning lights. Then you may try what a few weeks of the following treatment will do for it. As staple diet, give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every third day half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, or

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

you may vary this occasionally with an equivalent quantity of bread and milk instead of the sponge cake. On the alternating days give first a morsel of banana, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle, and also a little green food of some kind—dandelion, chickweed, or watercress. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of tolu, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for two or three weeks. Offer the bath in quite mild weather only until bird is better. Continue this treatment for a month, and if not then well, write again, and repeat particulars.

BIRDS DYING (Downhearted).—It would certainly be very judicious to distemper the walls and ceiling of the room with a good sanitary distemper, and also overhaul and disinfect the cages in which birds have died. But whether it is absolutely necessary depends upon whether the post-mortem reveals any infectious element in the cause of the deaths. If disinfection is essential, you would find the Nutshell Booklet No. 9 very useful in helping you to carry it out efficiently. The sample of sawdust sent would do very nicely to cover the floors of cages to assist in keeping them sweet and clean, but as it is very fine it would be as well to mix about an equal bulk of common sand with it to prevent it being blown about so much. You must, of course, supply gritty sand in a small vessel for the purpose of helping digestion when using sawdust on the cage floors. But during the breeding season, for birds that are breeding, it is much preferable to have the floors covered with gritty sand.

SIGNS OF SEX (W.G.T.).—Sorry, but really I do not know a single sign, certain and conclusive, by which a mere tyro can tell the sex of a given bird without fail. Distinctive signs of sex are practically obliterated in the Canary, so that it needs some experience and close observation to distinguish the sexes. Even the most experienced fanciers are not infallible in the matter. If you purchased the bird recently, and could get the vendor to look at it now, he might, if it is really a hen, remedy what was, after all, probably only an error of judgment. The best sign is the song, which should now be bold, full, ringing, and unbroken, and the throat should be well inflated, and throb perceptibly as the notes are produced. But all cocks have not an equally long and unbroken strain. Most cocks in high breeding condition will at this time pick up and toy with stray bits of material, particularly if they can see a hen, but they soon drop them after carrying them to the perches, whereas a hen would retain them longer, and make attempts to fix them in some part of the cage. Also, a second thought, if your bird grips a beakful of its own breast feathers and makes believe to be carrying them about, it is practically certain to be a hen, and in that case should be mated at once, if kept in a fairly equable and not too cold room.

PLANT IN AVIARY (C.S.G.).—I cannot say from actual experience, but I do not anticipate any harm accruing to the birds from the presence of the conifer in the aviary. Possibly some reader could say whether they have kept a plant of Thuja or Thujopsis in an aviary with Canaries, and the result.

WIRE FRONTS AND SAWDUST (Nutty).—I'm afraid it is not practicable to clean wire fronts to make them look like new. The only way to do so would be to remove all external dirt or rust, in a chemical bath if necessary, and re-tin them, and to do a few would probably cost much more than the fronts are worth. Your best course is to coat them with two quite thin coats of Brunswick Black, allowing the first coat to dry thoroughly before applying the other. Wash well with a strong solution of common soda, to remove all trace of grease before applying the first coat. When the final coat is quite dry and hard there will be no risk of the birds injuring themselves by nibbling it off and eating it. (2) There is no objection at all to mixing an equal bulk of sawdust with the sand on the floor of your cages to assist it absorbing moisture and keeping cage floor clean. There is practically no risk of the birds eating it. You could also, if you wish, use sawdust alone for the purpose, but in this case you must provide gritty sand for the purpose of digestion in a small vessel in one corner of the cage.

NOISY AT NIGHT (A.E.L.).—There is just a possibility that the condition is due to overfeeding. But you should first of all make quite sure that it is kept in a bright and comfortable place, and is quite free from cold direct draughts. Also see that the cage is quite free from red mites. Then treat as follows for two or three weeks, and if not quite well in that time, please write again, and repeat particulars. In addition to the staple seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day, and on the alternate days give a good sized spray of watercress. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and in the next week give instead 20 drops of whisky, five each of syrup of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken together, every second day. Continue the latter for a fortnight, if necessary.

SITS HUDDLED UP (General).—Keep the bird in a comfortable temperature, not necessarily overheated, but just off the chilly side, and see that it is fairly equable, and not subject to a considerable drop at night, and do not allow it to be exposed to the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. Then treat it the same as advised to "A.E.L." in this issue, except that in your case you omit the eucalyptus oil and substitute in its place five drops of sweet spirit of nitre. Continue the treatment for three weeks.

SCURFY ON WING (Perplexed).—See that the bird and cage are both quite free from insect pests, especially grey lice. Keep in a fairly warm and equable temperature for a time, and allow it to bathe freely, adding just enough crystals of permanganate of potash to the bathing water to tinge it a pink colour. Give a morsel of bread and milk slightly sprinkled with soft sugar every third day, and on the intervening days give a little green salad of some kind, which is easily procurable now. In the drinking water add 20 drops of fluid magnesia every second day for a week, and in the next week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the dosage of the two first weeks in the same order. Slightly moisten the scurfy patches once a week with sulphur ointment.

AGE AND SOCIETY (D. Green).—(1) No definite age can be given at which a hen ceases to be of use for breeding, as individuals vary to a very great extent. Possibly in the great majority of cases the fourth or fifth season marks a diminution in fertility, which is progressive afterwards, but individuals have been known to breed well at twice this age. As long as a hen is in good health and active, and evinces a desire to nest, she may be given a chance with a reasonable hope of success. (2) There is no danger whatever in keeping cocks caged together provided they have a reasonable amount of "elbow room." During the winter months they will agree together in quite small quarters, but at this season they are apt to become a little quarrelsome, but their differences of opinion rarely get beyond calling each other bad names. An occasional scrap may take place, but no real damage is done, unless it be in very rare instances. The risk of damage is practically nil if the birds have a fair amount of space allowed them.

A YORKSHIRE TRIO (F.M.B.).—(1) Keep in a moderately warm place, but do not overdo it, and see that it is free from cold direct draughts or sudden extremes of heat and cold. In addition to the staple diet of seeds give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana or two crisp young leaves of dandelion. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the water two days in every three until the feathers cease dropping. (2) Treat same as No. 1 for a fortnight. (3) Keep the Yorkshire hen under the same conditions as No. 1. Offer her the bath early in the day only, and in quite mild weather. About three times a week will be quite sufficient. In addition to the seed diet, give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, sprinkled with soft sugar, every third day, and on the intervening days give two or three crisp young leaves of dandelion. In the drinking water add every second day for a week as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice, and in the next week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day. Repeat this dosage in the same order in the third and fourth weeks.

BREEDING AND BLINDNESS (A.B.C.).—Close in-breeding would certainly increase the tendency to blindness, but there are other factors to cause it, so that it is impossible to say whether in-breeding is the cause in any particular case, without closely studying the bird's pedigree. But when once established it is strongly hereditary, so that the bird you now have affected should be discarded totally as a stock bird. The only rational way of dealing with it is to rigidly weed out all affected specimens as soon as they are detected. By applying this principle you will be fairly safe in breeding with the cocks, especially if you introduce a little fresh blood from a stock that is not affected in this way. The hereditary taint can certainly be eliminated by careful selection, and even if you did a reasonable amount of in-breeding, you could still weed out the tendency to blindness by this means. Close in-breeding is not absolutely essential to the production of good birds.

C.J.—Replied by post.

SEED SAMPLES (Kaiser Bill).—Yes, all the seeds sent are quite good enough for feeding high-class Rollers. The mixture of canary and rape would be all the better for a rather larger proportion of canary. The canary is a very good and sound sample, fit for any class of bird. Rape No. 1 is a first-rate quality of summer rape, good all round. No. 2 rape is very good, but not quite so well matured as No. 1. Still, it is of good all-round quality, and fit for feeding good stock.

SOFT MOULT (Novice, H.J.).—The moulting will certainly affect the birds' breeding, as they will be quite useless for this purpose until some little time after the moult is quite stopped. See they are kept in an equable temperature, free from cold direct draughts, though you need not overheat them. In addition to the staple seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana and half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Give each two young leaves of dandelion daily. Also dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the drinking water two days in every three until the feathers cease dropping.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BREEDING WITH ROBINS (Alpha).—I see no reason why you should not breed with Robins, or at least try to do so, if you can manage to secure a hen as a partner. If you do, I would advise you to introduce them to each other very carefully, as they are particularly pugnacious, and if one happens to be more forward than the other there might be considerable damage done. Nearly all birds sing better or more continuously as bachelors. Family duties, if properly carried out, naturally keep them pretty well occupied and do not leave much time for singing.

LINNET NOT READY (Schofield).—Your birds are not doing badly, and you cannot do better than go on as you are, excepting for a little change in diet. The reason the birds do not quite agree is because they are not yet ready for breeding. It is quite early yet, and if they settle down in a month's time you will have all the summer for

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them to nest in. Do not be too liberal with hemp seed for the Canary. A little in with some mixed seed about twice a week is quite sufficient. As regards the Linnet, he will, of course, have the same seed as the Canary when they are together, and a good staple food would be: 4 parts canary, 2 and a good staple food would be: 4 parts canary, 2 parts teazle, and 1 part rape. When you part them at night give the Linnet occasionally a little lightly cracked hemp; this will help him wonderfully and soon bring him into condition. Both birds should have a little green food, chickweed, or young dandelion leaves if you can get them. The nearest society to you is the one at Croydon, for all live stock. There is one at New Cross confined to cage birds only; the sec. is Mr. Burton, 126, Lee Road, Lee Green. Drop him a postcard; he will send you particulars.

LINNET WITH BROKEN WING (Winged).—All birds and animals quickly recover from injuries, and broken bones soon unite. Put the bird in a cage without perches and stand it in a quiet corner of the room, where it will be disturbed as little as possible. His food and water should be handy so that he can reach it without effort. He will soon get well again, but the wing will probably be carried a little lower than the other one, although quite young birds will sometimes make such good recovery that the difference is not perceptible.

COCK MULE AND HEN CANARY (A. Smales).—The general opinion is that Mules will not breed, although some fanciers claim to have bred with them. You can try without quite losing the song of your bird. Give the hen a nestpan and some moss and cowhair to build with, and when she has laid 3 eggs take him away and let her sit by herself. She will come off to feed at stated intervals, and if there are any young ones she will rear them without his assistance. When she wants to go to nest again you can run him with her night and morning for about 3 days.

HYBRIDS BETWEEN FOREIGN AND BRITISH (Goldie).—I am sorry I am unable to tell you if the cross you mention has ever been produced. (2) If they are on friendly terms they could fly together now, as this is the month when fanciers commence to pair up their birds. (3) It is impossible to give you the value of a certain bird, so much depends upon its various points, such as size, colour, and quality of feather. (4) If you get eggs and the cock bird does not interfere with them, you could risk it and leave them together; but you must not forget that all hen British birds are rather uncertain feeders, and few can be trusted even to sit with any regularity. The usual custom is to put the eggs under Canary hens to incubate and rear the young. As exhibition birds, the young Hybrids would be of scarcely any value.

AVIARY MATTERS (Bird Lover).—I fear you will not do particularly well in your aviary if you turn in all the birds you mention. You must either have all Canaries or just the three hens and the two British birds. If you put them all in, the cock Canaries would be sure to be the parents of the young, and the two British birds would be only in the way and possibly cause trouble. You did wrong in turning the newly purchased hen into the aviary. The weather is not nearly settled enough to put birds outside that have been sheltered indoors all the winter. Feed her up well with a little mixed seed and occasionally some egg food. Again, you were wrong to steam her. You want to prevent her casting her feather, not encourage it. Let her bathe on fine days and give a small teaspoonful of chemical food in the drinking water, or a few drops mixed in with the soft food.

GOLDIE NOT SINGING (J. A. Bramley).—I am afraid you have got hold of a hen. You had better put the bird in a cage by itself and if of the right sex it should soon commence to sing. Cock Goldies have a bigger blaze than the hens, and it runs back well over the eyes at the top. The beak is stouter and the head scarcely so round; but unless you have another to compare it with I am afraid these differences are not of much use to you. Your best plan is to cage it off and wait for its singing.

CONCERNING A BULLFINCH (Esperance).—I do not see anything the matter with your bird. It is quite natural for them to preen their feathers and have a scratch now and again. You say he has no insects. In addition to his usual seed give apple, banana, and as soon as you can obtain green food let him have a fairly liberal supply. This should keep him in health. Give the bath in the morning, not at midday, so as to allow him plenty of time to dry before going to roost.

MIXED COLLECTION (Outdora).—I would advise the following as a staple diet: Canary 4 parts, teazle 2 parts, summer rape 1 part. Then make another mixture of hemp and niger 3 parts, maw 1 part, and give some of this three times a week, say, half-teaspoonful to each bird. Also try to obtain some wild seed, and use in the same way. A little sunflower should be offered daily for the benefit of the Hawfinch and Goldie in particular. You could turn in the Canary hens, and watch the result. You may find one or more of the cock birds rather troublesome when the ladies are introduced; if so, you must remove the offenders. I do not think you will be able to keep the Tit with them; if there are any signs of breeding; he would be almost certain to destroy the young ones. The Greenfinch, Goldfinch, and Linnet would be the most likely to breed with the hens.

GOLDFINCH WITH SWELLING (B. A. L.).—You say nothing as to your method of feeding, which is most important, for the majority of these ailments are caused through improper treatment. You are probably giving him a lot of stimulating food, which is consequently aggravating the trouble. Give him an aperient of Glauber Salts at once. Dose, enough to cover a sixpence, dissolved in two tablespoonsful of water; repeat in three days time. Put him on a simple diet of teazle 4 parts, canary 3 parts, summer rape ½ part. Buy a good brand of wild seeds, and give a teaspoonful twice a week. If you have been using much hemp, gradually discontinue it. Offer half-a-dozen sunflowers 3 times a week. Soak some teazle, canary and rape, and give a spoonful daily. If he does not eat this freely, remove his dried seeds until he has consumed a fair quantity. Offer any green food you can obtain free from frost, and as the spring advances, feed liberally upon it. Bathe the wounds in warm water, adding a teaspoonful of wych hazel to a saucerful, and if there is no discharge, just touch the spots with a little of the neat extract, using a clean camel hair brush. Place the bird in a large cage, and let him bathe on fine days.

COCK BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (W. F. B.).—Yes, you could keep all the birds you mention in your aviary; they should do nicely. Be careful to have plenty of perches, as a scarcity of these frequently causes quarrelling. Make the seed mixture as advised to "Outdora," which will do very well for your collection. Watch the Goldie and Bullie, as these are the two requiring the choicest food.

BREEDING BRITISH BIRDS (F. W. P.).—If you are anxious to try your luck at breeding British birds in your small aviary, you had better procure a pair of either the Greenfinch, Redpoll, Linnet, Goldfinch or Siskin. The Greenfinches will be the most likely to reward you with young, and the hen will frequently sit and rear them, whereas the others can seldom be relied upon to do so, although instances have occurred where they have made good parents. Gather some heather or a bunch of furze and push into one corner of the flight, and in this place an old nest; failing one, use an old wicker cage or small basket, or even a nesting box. Supply them with plenty of nesting materials. Feed them well, not forgetting a liberal allowance of wild food.

TROUBLE WITH BULLFINCH (Esperance).—Sorry you have had a mishap with your birds. It is always risky to place two birds of opposite sex together without some kind of introduction; even Canaries, the most domesticated of all small birds, will frequently quarrel dreadfully. You should have hung one in a cage close to the other, when they would have got used to each other. Place the injured bird in a cage by himself, and take away the perches, so that he has no cause to use his wings, he will soon recover. I think you misunderstood my answer. I said "it was not safe to put two hen Bullies together; they generally quarrel." Bird shows are mostly over now; there will probably be some advertised in "Cage Birds" about June and July, and again in the autumn.

BIRDS IN THE AVIARY (Bramble).—I am rather afraid that if you introduce your Bramblefinch into your aviary you will have a little trouble. He may behave himself all right in a cage, but I very much fear that some night he would upset all the other birds. Of course, it would not matter so much just now and during the summer months, but it would be particularly tiresome to have some of them with broken plumage just as they are nearly fit for exhibition. You could try him now and let him be until July, but I would certainly not advise you to leave him there later than that. (2) A little colour food gives just a tone of pink to the breast and poll of the Redpoll, and some consider it to be an improvement, as it does not interfere with other parts of the plumage. Size, shape and markings are of more importance than colour in the Mealy.

FEEDING OWLS (Owl).—I do not think you will be able to feed you Little Owls upon anything but flesh food and insects. Supply them with raw meat, mice, small birds, and any insects you can procure, particularly black beetles, of which they are especially fond. If you have a kitchen where these insects exist, the Owls will catch them during the night, if they are allowed to be loose, or even if you stand the cage upon the floor and place a little meal near it, and on the bottom, the insects will be sure to go for this food. A small vessel filled with beer is also a good bait. You can only tame your birds by gradually getting them used to you. If you give them a tit-bit whenever you go near them, they will soon get steady. I have seen some of them particularly tractable. It may take some time, or they may suddenly become tame, when you will have no more trouble with them.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

VIRGINIAN CARDINAL, ETC. (A. E. C.).—Keep this bird's bowels moving quite freely (not continuously watery loose), by giving it once or twice a week one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in its soft food—add the magnesia to the dry mixture, then make crumbly moist as usual. Every other day put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in its drinking water; continue the use of both remedies till the bird is fit again. Omit the hemp from its seed mixture for a time, and only give about half a dozen sunflower seeds per diem; give it three mealworms each day and as much fruit as it cares to eat. Give it one dose of bromide of potassium—three grains dissolved in a little syrup and then stirred into the drinking water. Report progress a fortnight hence. Re Budgerigars, eggs will follow in due course; if they are delayed another week or two, so much the better for the birds. I presume you have husks in the cage for them to nest in. Your diet is about right, but leave out the niger seed.

DOUBLE-FRONTED AMAZON (A. S. S., Fleetwood).—A fortnight is none too long a period to allow the remedies to act in such a case; it is quite evident they have begun to act. In any case improvement will be gradual. You must continue the treatment regularly. Most certainly keep on with the sulphur, as this will assist feather production. Give one teaspoonful of the fluid magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and continue this for a good period, but if the bowels become abnormally loose then once a week should be sufficient. This will help to keep undue obesity in check. It is very evident that its blood is in an impure condition, and this is the main cause; that is all one can say by correspondence. If there are no sores, then spray the bird with a tepid solution of fir tree oil (directions on bottle) weekly, and oftener as soon as warm weather occurs. Reduce the quantity of brazil nuts; supply Spanish (Barcelona) nuts and walnuts, and only give, say, two Brazils per week. As soon as fine weather comes round, subject it to a good bit of outdoor treatment by putting the cage outside in some not too exposed or draughty place for several hours on all suitable days. It is a case of longish standing, and the treatment must be persevered with if complete recovery is to result.

BUDGERIGARS (J. E. Hawkins).—It is constitutional weakness, probably produced by inbreeding, or possibly by allowing the stock birds to have too many broods during the season. Sometimes young reared during the winter months show this weakness. The remedy is to make an exchange of either males or females with some other fancier in your locality, or introduce fresh blood by buying several imported birds when such are to be had. The introduction of several birds from some distinct strain should maintain your stock in a vigorous condition. If the birds referred to in your query are any good at all, under the influences of outdoor life nature will right itself, but if it is chronic weakness, then the trouble will become more pronounced, and it will be best to kill off all such birds as they occur; and, by the introduction of new blood, your stock will automatically right itself.

BUDGERIGARS (F. W. B.).—The cage is none too large, and if you can let them have a fly out occasionally it will do them good. Our Budgerigar Nutshell, 2½d. post free, would give you the fullest details as to treatment. The following is a good stock seed mixture:—One quart each canary and white millet and one pint of oats; well mix and keep supply in their cage; a millet spray is good for them. At this period of the year keep a slice of sweet apple between the cage wires for them to nibble at, and as soon as it can be procured free from frost supply as much seeding and flowering grass as they will eat. Get a bottle of fluid magnesia and put half a teaspoonful into the daily supply of drinking water every fourth day, and continue this for a few weeks. Keep a piece of cuttlebone in the cage and the cage tray covered with gritty sand. When in breeding condition the cere surrounding the nostrils is blue in the male and varies from deep cream to ruddy brown in the female.

PARRAKEETS AND LOVEBIRDS (R. B.).—In future queries please note rule re name and address. It is perfectly true that the majority of the Parrot tribe take a year or more to settle down; at the same time, this is no hard and fast rule, as some pairs will go to nest almost at once. It depends largely, of course, on the vigour of individual pairs. Having been in captivity elsewhere for a time is, of course, often a factor in quickly settling down. Red-rumps are quarrelsome, and an odd bird is a cause usually of much disquietude in an aviary. Black-cheeked Lovebirds often breed the following season, but the other two species not till a year later, but there have been exceptions in which they, too, have brought off young the following season. To get best results there should always be a second aviary into which odd birds and young birds, as soon as they are able to fend for themselves, can go.

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN (H. A.).—1 and 2, South America; 3, Australia; 4, 5, 6, Africa; 7, not a species, a domestic variety, Japan; 8, 9, 10 and 11, Africa; 12, 13, 14, India; 15, China, Japan, and Indo-Malayan region; 16, Europe. Re mealworms, I cannot give the exact period of the pupal stage, but it is not lengthy; the imago is a beetle; the longest period occupied is in the larval stage, before the worms become full fed, the skins being sloughed many times before the pupal stage is reached. The process is much accelerated if they can be kept in a temperature of 60 to 80 degrees F.

AILING BLUE-FRONT (W. G. R.).—Stop the milk-sop at once, and also the separate supply of hemp seed; the mixture should suffice for the seed. For a couple of months give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water every other day, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. In lieu of the milk-sop give a little boiled maize daily (it only keeps fresh one day), boil till soft, drain off all water, dust with flowers of sulphur, and supply to the bird when cool. The seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, and dry biscuits, will supply an ample varied dietary, without having recourse to table scraps, etc. Get several powders of three grains each of bromide of potassium, and after any future attack dissolve one of these in a little syrup and stir it into the drinking water, and after a day's interval give another. Treat similarly after each attack. Cuttlebone and grit (not sand) should be continually in the cage.

WHITE-FRONTED AMAZON (E. Swaffer).—Dissolve three drops tincture of opium in a little syrup and stir this into the drinking water every other day for a week, and in the case of any relapse repeat the treatment. I presume you are giving this bird boiled maize; if not, do so, and after draining off all water from the maize, allow half-teaspoonful of cod-liver oil emulsion to soak in before supplying to the bird. Also put a little honey and borax into the mouth daily, as this will help to keep the mouth and throat clear from slime and fur. Once a week put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia over the maize instead of the C.O. emulsion. If there should be any renewal of the abnormal looseness, prepare a little milk sop so:—Mix one teaspoonful of cornflour into a thin paste with boiling water, and at once pour it into vessel containing a little bread or sponge cake and a teaspoonful of condensed milk. Continue this while the looseness lasts. When in health all the seed-eating Parrots are better without sops and slops. All ailing birds should be kept warm in an even temperature and free from draughts. Should be pleased to hear how the bird progresses.

GOULDIANS, ETC. (Ulster).—As regards Gouldian Finches, the experiences of aviculturists vary considerably, and if your soil is a wet retentive one this species is better taken in during the winter months. On the other hand, there are many who keep them out of doors all the year round and suffer no heavier losses than those who take them indoors for the winter. Gouldians are impatient both of too strong sunlight and undue periods of wet and damp. An aviary for such species should have its ground area divided up pretty equally, say, in a space 12 feet square—the shelter (must be as light as a living room) 6 by 6ft., covered flight 6 by 6ft. (this to be roofed in and close barred round; only the front into flight should be entirely open), and open flight 12 by 6ft. Saffron and Red-headed Finches are much more enduring than Cordon Bleus, and should do well with your accommodation; in fact, the Gouldians ought to do well also, though they are difficult to establish at first. Some Saffron Finches are very pugnacious.

GREY PARROT (H. R. McM.).—There is no doubt your bird is an abnormal egg producer; six in three months is, I think, a record for this country. I can only advise you to continue the treatment so as to modify the effects of the habit as much as possible, or I fear she will continue to pluck herself just prior to the laying of each clutch of eggs. Of course, the remedy is to procure her a mate and give them a place large enough to breed in—a place 6ft. square, by the same height, would, I think, meet the case. You must fix up a log or small barrel high up in one corner, with the entrance hole facing the light, and you would probably bring off a brood of Grey Parrots. Failing this, get a large cage for her, large enough to take a small barrel, and in the occupation of preparing this for the clutch of eggs she may forget to pluck out her breast feathers.

KING GREY PARROT, ETC. (E. Swaffer).—I should advise you also writing the individual you bought it from, as he will know the peculiarities. As feather-pulling has been going on since September I much fear it is confirmed in the habit. Though it may live as it is, when this habit once becomes a vice it can seldom be entirely checked. Get a bottle of Fir-tree oil (this is a horticultural preparation), and paint it with a weak solution (instructions on bottle), continuing this for quite a little period. I should give the Dinneford's every fourth day for some little time, and on other days give syrup of phosphates. I should also give it a slightly moistened crust of bread, piece of biscuit or plain cake, to be dusted with flowers of sulphur after moistening. Give this twice a day if the bird will take it. Get a little Parrot grit and mix a pinch with the daily supply of seed. To keep its strength up give it 3 to 5 drops of cod-liver oil emulsion daily, direct to the mouth. Report progress in a few weeks' time. As regards the Amazons I fear they are not yet sufficiently mature to name with certainty, and that they will need to go through another moult before this can be done. The description you give of the smallest does not agree with any species of the genus *chrysotis* in the Brit. Mus. Catalogue. The size of Amazons ranges from a total length of 10ins. to 17ins.

BOOK ON PARRAKEETS (J. E. H.).—There is no cheap book. The most up-to-date is "Parrakeets," by D. Seth-Smith. The price is either 30s. or 40s.; it contains a number of coloured plates. D. Greene's "Parrots in Captivity" is still a useful handbook, but is out of print. However, one is often obtainable by watching the lists of second-hand booksellers.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

E. G. S. Everard.—Is in type and only waiting space to appear.

Henry Martin.—We can assure you that it is not at all an uncommon occurrence for two birds to hatch out of one egg. A search of our correspondence columns, wherein many instances have been recorded, would establish this beyond any question. See this week's issue for a case in point.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

Cock Roller.—Pneumonia following a chill.

J. Craig.—Septic fever.

T. A. B.—Ptomaine poisoning, inflammation of the bowels, resulting from same.

Magic.—Pneumonia was cause of death, preceded by congestion of the lungs.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES.

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Annfield Plain F.F. & C.B.S.—Mar. 13, Queen's Head, 7. Very important business.—M. Archer.

Alfreton C.B.S.—Mar 13, Red Lion, 5.30. Table show, Hybrid pairs, Mules, British.—G. Beardall.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Mar. 16. St. Thomas' Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel-st., 8. Discussion on open show date; social tickets to be paid for.—J. Spencer.

Abertillery C.B.S.—Mar. 13, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. Schedule for open show.—H. H. Mortimer.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Mar. 13, Shoulder of Mutton, 4.30. Annual tea and prize distribution, followed by usual social evening.—F. P. Terry.

Bradford East O.S.—Mar. 16, Park Chapel, New Cross-st., 8. Arranging members' shows and judges; lecture on pairing; new members cordially welcomed.—J. Spencer.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Mar. 16, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Night show of British birds, classes for all varieties, 1s. special each class, 5s. special presented by Mr. Caine; judge, Mr. J. Lloyd, Liverpool.—G. Morton.

Burnley C.B.B. Working Men's Club.—Mar. 14. General meeting 7.30; F.F. show competition for breeders' challenge cup; classifications; nomination of judges.—James Moorhouse.

City of Bradford O.S.—Mar. 13, Flying Dutchman, 7. Members' shows for 1915; members not having received special for 1914 please attend.—W. Helliwell.

Clydebank C.B.S.—Mar. 18, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Arrangements for F.F. show and other bus.—Wm. Kane.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Mar. 18, Maskell's Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting; elect officers for ensuing year; also notice of motion re cup rules.—E. Thomas.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Mar. 13, Raith Arms Inn, 6. Table show, 2 classes: Canary, British.—F. Baxter.

Crewe O.S.—Mar. 16, Burton Hotel, 8. Ticket money and prize-money for show.—N. L. Croft.

Cambois C.B.S.—Mar. 17, United Methodist F.C., 7.30. J. Elliott, Sec.

Cummock C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Town Hall, Auchinleck, 7. Classification and fixing of judges for show, and general business.—A. Wyper.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Black Bull, 7. Alteration in rules and other important bus.; subs due.—G. Hunt.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie-rd., 3. Replies from judges; table show, Brit. and Muling pairs, 10 classes, 3 entries and over 6d.; judging competition.—J. C. Charlton.

Fife C.B.L.—Mar. 20, Masonic Arms, Cowdenheath, 6. Election of officials, and other important business.—J. Cordery.

Great Horton O.S.—Mar. 13, Station Hotel, 6. Important.—A. W. Hartley.

Garston B.B.A.—Mar. 17, Club Room, 8.—A. T. Mullock.

Houghton-le-Spring.—Mar. 13, Queen's Head Inn, 7.30.—R. H. Dixon.

Huddersfield O.S.—Mar. 20, White Hart Hotel, 7. Lecture on "Feeding and Rearing of Canaries," by Mr. H. J. Chittenden, Bradford; fanciers invited.—A. Lawford.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—Mar. 13, Mechanics' Hall, 7.30. Annual meeting; election of officers and committee, and general business; please attend.—Wm. Tallantyre.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Mar. 16, White Swan, 7.30. Table show, 3 classes.—A. Freestone.

London & Provincial O.S.—Mar. 18, Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate-st., 8. Lecture on the "Yorkshire Canary," by Mr. House; non-members and friends specially invited.—H. L. Huggins.

Leicester C.B.S.—Mar. 17, Hare and Pheasant, 8. Gold., Bullf., Greenf., Chaff., or Bramble, Linnets, all Brit., F.M.—J. Hardbattle.

Leigh C.B.S.—Mar. 17, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Judging competition, judge, Mr. H. Taylor, fee 3d.—R. Charleson.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Mar. 20, Y.M. Halls, 7. Annual general meeting, balance-sheet, election of office-bearers, etc.—A. Thomson.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Mar. 18, Kelvedon Hall, Walham Green, 8. Pay out prize money, and other general business; several new members to be made.—H. F. Bowring.

Midland Roller C.C.—Mar. 25, Headquarters, "Seven Stars," John's lane, Wolverhampton, 8. Usual bus.; Gluck birds will be present. An enjoyable evening anticipated; important.—J. W. Thomson.

Manchester and N. Counties O.S.—Mar. 15, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open question night, and sharp practice debate; local fanciers invited.—F. Wilkinson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Mar. 16, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale-rd., 8. Lecture by Mr. Harrison, Altrincham, Colour-Feeding and Colour-Breeding; a cordial invitation is given to friends and new members.—A. Colley.

Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.—Mar. 18, Holy Trinity Schoolrooms, Beresford-sq., Woolwich. Pair and Finch show.—T. G. Crutcher.

Plymouth W.C.O.S.—Mar. 16, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley-st., 8. Paper on extension of classification, by an exhibitor. Fanciers welcome.—W. Luscombe.

Portobello C.B.S.—Mar. 15, Masonic Hall, Tower-st., 8. General business.—W. Baxter.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Mar. 17, Porth Hotel, 7. Washing exhibition, by Mr. Greeves.—I. S. Jones.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Mar. 17, Temperance Club, Toad-lane, 7.30. Judging competition, birds to be judged on points.—E. Lord.

South Moor Social Club F. & F. & C.B.S.—Mar. 14, Club Room, S. Moor, 6. Election of judges for annual show, and other important bus.—G. Lane.

St. Quintin F. & F.S.—Mar. 18, Tavistock Mews, Portobello Road, W., 8. Lecture on poultry by G. H. Bayliss, Esq.—A. G. M. Tarrant.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Mar. 13, Headquarters, 7.30. Adjourned annual meeting; balance sheet; then ordinary meeting; any other business.—J. Peacock.

South Moor C.B.S.—Mar. 13, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, 6.30. Nomn. of judges, fixing date of annual show, and other important bus.; new members invited.—G. F. Bates.

Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—Mar. 17, Cardiff Arms Hotel, 8. Settling up account of pair show, etc.; discussion re closed rings and appointment of officers for 1915.—H. Watts.

Windsor C.B.S.—Mar. 17, Star and Garter Hotel, 6.30. Pair show and election of officers for year.—H. Simms.

Walkden R.S.—Mar. 16, Stocks Hotel, Walkden, 7.30.—E. Hibbert.

Wigan and Dis. R.C.C.—Mar. 13, Legs of Man Hotel, 7. Discussion on rings, very important; please note change of headquarters.—P. Greenall.

Wanstead F. and F.S.—Mar. 18, Cambridge Park, Hall (Wanstead), 8. General meeting and show, all sections, Mr. P. King, judge.—H. S. Lofthouse.

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CLEAR buff unflighted Norwich cock, plenty size and head, 25/-; clear buff, good head, 17/6; buff variegated, 12/6; yellow variegated 7/6; good unflighted buff and yellow hens, 10/- each; see wins Carlisle, Glasgow: Bell, 35, Clementina-terr., Carlisle. (180)

NORWICH Canaries for sale; 4 hens and one cock; the cock is a splashed bird but the hens are all yellow; my price will be 5/- for the cock 2/6 each for the hens, or near offers: 1914 birds; apply to: G. W. Welfcar, Hale Cottage, East Peckham, Kent. (174)

TWO buff sib hens, 1913, good feeders, 2/6 each; 2 slightly cinnamon ticked yellows, 1914, 3/6 each; 2 short thick Norwich hens, buff variegated and cinnamon ticked, 1914, 3/6 each; cold-room bred: wanted, mule Goldfinch: Richards, 18, Margaret-st., Exmouth. (182)

ALL that is left of 47 birds: Grand variegated buff cock, £1; variegated buff cock, 12/6: 3 buff hens, 5/- each; massive buff cinnamon cock, can win, £1; yellow cinnamon cock, grand stock bird, 15/-; first P.O. for £3 gets the lot: must clear: Alexr. Macdonald, 27½, Monnt-st., Aberdeen. (183)

FOR sale, stock of breeder gone to front: yellow cock, buff variegated hen, 25/-; two buff cocks, two yellow hens, 10/6 pair; three buff hens, 6/- the three; two Norwich hens, 5/- the two; or would sell the lot for 45/-: bargain: cash or deposit; approval: Miss Gurr, Teston, near Maidstone. (180)

HIGH CLASS Norwich, which has won this season at Scottish National, Welsh National, L.C.B.A., Reading, Watford, Woolton, and Portsmouth; I have for sale good matched pairs from 20/- to 80/-, including many noted winners; kindly state requirements: birds sent on approval willingly: C. W. Silk, Glen Rosa, Ebsworth.

CLEAR yellow Norwich cock, 1st Llanelly (local), 2nd Pontypridd, 30/-; clear buff hen, 1st Welsh National, 70/-; clear buff cock, 3rd Abertillery (Six Bells), 20/-, including show cages, also 3 unflighted yellow cocks, 7/6 each; 3 buff cocks, 6/- each; 8 unflighted yellow and buff hens, 7/6 each; approval (see British): Jones, jun., 13, Raby-st., Llanelly.

HAVING selected my birds for breeding I have several pairs of good quality Norwich for sale, good size and type, also several odd buff and yellow cocks and buff hens, all related to my winners at L.C.B.A., Leyton, and Clapham; pairs from 12/6, cocks, 10/-, hens 4/-; seen Saturday evening or Sunday: Teasdale, 15, Valmar-road, Camberwell-st., London. (185)

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Cocks, 6/6 to 12/6; hens, 4/6 to 10/6; pairs, 11/- to 20/-; yellow cock, winner, 40/-: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley. (142)

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I am offering only my own breeding, and have a few nice ones left. Rare sized unflighted buff cock and splendid shaped and feathered unflighted yellow hen, 21/- pair; unflighted yellow cock, very typical and good head, and unflighted buff hen, extra deep chest, and very short, 27/6 pair; some odd yellows or buffs, either sex from 8/6; approval: W. Hudson, 117a, Gibbet-st., Halifax, Yorks. (186)

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Cod liver oil, cago bird food with added egg; keeps birds warm, healthy; 2d. and 1/6: Liverine, Grimsby.

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The same strain as the winners at all leading shows; cocks, large typical birds, good head and colour, 10/6; hens 5/6, 7/6 each; pairs mated to breed at once, 10/6, 15/6; a few winners 20/- pair; all honestly worth double; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (158)

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ROLLER hens, aviary bred; clear, 3/6; flecked, 2/6; ready for nesting: 160, Brooke-rd., N. (176)

1914 ROLLERS, two cocks, 5/- each; three hens, 2/- each; lot 15/-: Pearse, Printer, Bideford. (186)

PURE Rollers, only few left, at 10/6 and 12/6; hens, 3/-: J. Bennett, 28, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (140)

ROLLERS. Three grand pairs, cock in full song, 7/6 pair: A. Crossman, 9, Hampton-st., Northampton. (174)

HIGHLY-TRAINED Rollers, Kremmer's strain, two £1, a real bargain: Stott, 7, Bath-st., Ashby-de-la-Zouch. (176)

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ROLLERS, Fould's strain, club rung, cocks, 1914, 10/6, 12/6; hens 3/6, 4/6: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (161)

MAWHOOD'S Glucke Rollers, one cock 10/-, hens 3/6, two 6/6; B.4; approval: 26, Walton-lane, Nelson, Lancs. (174)

ONE Glucke Roller cock, 10/6; 8 hens, 3/6 each; lot 35/-; Randall's strain, 1914: Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (181)

ONLY 1 pair left, others all sold, bred from pure Randall's, 7/6 pair: E. White, 8, Conduit-st., Upper Clapton, N.E. (184)

HENS, grand singing strain Rollers, 2/6 each, 12 for 20/-; young healthy birds: Bluck, 3, Westbourne-terrace, Hove. (177)

SALE, 4 Roller hens, Chillcott and Tweed strain, ready for nesting, 3/6 or 12/- lot: Berry, 61, Sandy Gate, Burnley. (183)

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SEIFERT Roller hens, Wirth, Lister's Kremner breed, 24/- the doz. to clear, rung: Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot. (177)

FEW young Hartz Mountain Roller cocks, good songsters, 4/-, two 7/6; hens, 2/3, two 4/-: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (179)

WANTED, schoolmaster in exchange for 15/- new air gun and green 1913 hen, no rubbish: Macara, 447, New City-rd., Glasgow. (172)

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ROLLERS, two cocks, seven hens, cheap to clear, all green, cold-room bred: John Pollard, 10, Alderst., Great Lever, Bolton. (181)

SEIFERTS, Schoolmaster cock 12/6, hen 3/6, pair 15/-, worth 30/- for stock; offers; approval, deposit: Grant, Barrhill, Ayrshire. (184)

MR. INNES, Estate Factor, Large, Ayrshire, offers a few really first-class Roller cocks at 15/-; hens, 4/-; pairs, 17/6; letters only. (141)

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SIX high-class Roller hens, pure Randall's, 1914 bred, club rung, 3/6 each, lot 18/-: J. Trinder, 33, Main-st., Skibbereen, Ireland. (159)

HEALTHY Rollers, pure Roehl's strain, cocks 8/6, hens 3/6; approval, cash or deposit: Miss Hewett, Oakhanger, Hungerford, Berks. (182)

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PURE Seifert hens, 1914, 2/6 each, two 4/6; one stock cock left, 7/6; approval; cash or deposit: Chantrey, 24, Ethel-st., Northampton. (178)

PURE Roller hens, guaranteed bred from good strain of British Rollers, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each: Jones, 47, De Beauvoir-crescent, Kingsland, N. (176)

DEEP Glucke, Randall's Schoolmaster, 19/6; 1914 cocks, 10/6; related to winners; approval: Parker, 12, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (167)

PURE Randall Glucke hens, 3/6 each; nothing better; wanted, good B.14 Schoolmaster; exchange Borders: Short, 328, High-st., Cheltenham. (176)

WATER Glucke Rollers, good strain; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/- each; approval: Bennett, 1, Greenhow View, Burley, Leeds. (164)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

GLUCKE Roller hens, Christy's champion winning strain, B4 rung, three left, 3/9 each, 10/6 lot; satisfaction guaranteed: 5, Water Heys-terr., Wigan. (178)

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OWING to pressure of business, must sell my high-class British Rollers, cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 2/6, some B.R.C.C.: Underwood, 36, York-st., Hulme, Manchester. (183)

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MUST clear; high-class Seifert Rollers; cocks in full rolling song, 8/6, 10/6; hens 2/6, 3/6; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (168)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, pure-bred, Randall's and Bank's strain; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 and 15/-; hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-: Hall, 17, Pitt-st., Accrington. Member B.R.C.C. (184)

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Yorkshires.

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GRAND Yorkshires, 1914, cold room bred, buff cocks, full song, 7/-; hens, 5/6; matched pairs, 10/-: Adey, 56, St. Mary's, Weymouth. (166)

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YORKSHIRES; to be sold, a bargain, 8 cocks and 3 hens, related to my winners; cocks from 7/6, hens 4/6; seen any time: Mrs. S. Farley, 186, South Park-rd., Wimbledon. (175)

G. A. PARKER has a few grand Yorkshires left, in the pink of condition, winner of five cups; 1914 cocks 7/6 to 20/-, hens 5/6 to 10/-; 17, Litchfield-avenue, Romford-rd., Stratford, E. (175)

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LAST lot three Yorkshire hens, 2 buffs, 1 yellow, lightly marked green unflighted, 5/- each: approval, latest wins silver rose bowl and 3 specials: J. L. Thornton, Gold-st., Boothtown, Halifax. (180)

MR. HORACE N. HARVEY has still a few exceptionally well-bred birds to dispose of, and the present time affords a rare opportunity for securing reliable stock birds: Churchgate, Spalding. (135)

J. S. Fairman has three pairs and six hens still to dispose of, all bred by me from birds that have won four cups this year, prices reasonable; inspection invited: 28, Pepler-rd., Old Kent Road. (188)

WINNING unflighted buff Yorkshire cock, 1st Stratford last January, only time out, 10/6; deep fed yellow hen, 3rd Stratford, 7/6; exceptional bargains: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (187)

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JUDSON'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; approval; carriage paid: 48, Market-st., Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (186)

YORKSHIRES two splendid buff hens, grand length and quality, 5/- each, ready for breeding, accept 9/-, both approval, from my own stock; no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (180)

L.C.B.A. WINNING, typical, colour-fed yellow Yorkshire cock, 10/6; buff hen, 3rd Stratford, also 20/-; Linnet, L.C.B.A., 7/6, in faultless condition, and worth treble: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (187)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires; splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long, cocks 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/6 upwards; hens 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (183)

HIGH class Yorkshires, grand typical healthy birds, in fine condition, from my winners, cold room, yellow and buff cocks 8/6, buff hens 5/-; approval willingly: Radford, 128, Sandy lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (114)

YORKSHIRES for sale, 16 typical birds for disposal, mostly 1914 cold room bred, nice condition, pairs, singles, prices moderate; seen by appointment: Saturday afternoons: Hatton, 26a, Ewart rd., Forest Hill, S.E. (180)

H. T. JONES, the strain that breeds winners, several hens from 5/-, extra long cock 10/- upwards, mostly unflighted, will sell cheap to clear, for breeding, inspection by appointment, 21, Worcester rd., Walthamstow, E. (156)

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Twitterings.

In the report of Widnes C.B.S. Show in our issue of March 6, Mr. Stewart is named as winning in the G.C.A. classes; this should be Steinart.

The National Green-Marked Y.C.C. are holding their distribution of prizes along with the Y.C.C. and the C.M.Y.C.C. at the Market Tavern, on March 20, at 6, writes Mr. J. Chambers, Hon. Sec.

I have sold my unlighted buff Yorkshire cock, winner at the Welsh National Show, Bournemouth, etc., for a good figure, to Mr. R. Pinnell, Warminster, to whom I wish every good luck, and hope it will do well for him in the future.—Mrs. E. Holliday.

Nominations of Y.C.C. officers for 1915-16, writes Mr. John Greaves, 279, Hollings Road, Bradford, must be in the secretary's hands not later than March 31st. Nomination forms will be found in centre of Club's handbook, and should be filled in and sent as early as possible.

At the meeting of the British Roller C.C., held last week, writes Mr. J. W. Norris, Hon. Sec., it was decided that only B.R.C.C. rung birds will be allowed to compete in the young bird point competition, promoted by the B.R.C.C., and that birds wearing two or more rings will be disqualified. 16 new members were elected at the meeting.

It may interest you to know that last Easter, armed with the tips gathered from your "Nutshell" booklet on the Grey Parrot, I purchased one of these birds, and I have had the best of luck with him. He is in the best of health and says thirty-five words. I consider I owe my good luck with him to following the advice in the book of Mr. W. T. Page.—T. Goold (Small Heath).

The rule book and balance-sheet of the London and Counties A.C.B. are to hand. The book details the rules of the society, the show rules, and an attractive programme of lectures and shows for 1915, while the balance-sheet shows that the balance of £4 11s. 3d. brought forward from 1913 has been increased to £5 17s. 2d., and there are assets valued at £1 1s. 11d. The hon. sec. is Mr. W. Gilbert, 42, Cowcross-st., E.C.

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We have received the rule book of the City and Suburban A.C.B. Besides the rules the booklet contains a list of officers and the names and addresses of members, the latter showing the very satisfactory number of 146 paying members, a record upon which the society is to be heartily congratulated. The syllabus of lectures and other fixtures for the year is of a most interesting nature, the subjects covering every aspect of the hobby of bird-keeping, no less than 21 items being included in this programme. The hon. sec. is Mr. Victor Wynn, 22, Park Lane, W., who informs us that three more members were elected, and ten nominated, at the meeting on March 8; he has still room for more!

One of the oldest established firms in the United Kingdom catering for live-stock fanciers is the Old Calabar Co. (Chapel Street, Liverpool), and none stands higher in repute for the high quality and fair prices of its goods. We strongly recommend our readers to send to the Old Calabar Co. for a copy of the illustrated price-list of the specialities supplied by the firm, and to order the latter from their local corn and seed dealers. Their packets of mixed seeds, Parrot mixture, Finch mixture, and the like, have long been favourably known amongst the very best of their kind, while "Avicultura" cage sand cannot be beaten. Old Calabar use only the purest and best ingredients because, as they say: "We are proud of the old name we possess."

I regret to inform you, writes Mr. W. S. Proudfoot, hon. sec. Glasgow W. End C.B.C. that our respected president, Mr. Archibald Hendry, has been laid aside with a rather serious illness for the past fortnight, but we learn that he is progressing favourably, and all our members join in wishing him a speedy return to his usual good health.

I have taken over the secretarial duties of the Northern Border Fancy C.C., writes Mr. C. Farrer, 222, Jefferson Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne. At the annual general meeting on March 3, the name of the club was altered, the Scotch Fancy being dropped owing to lack of support. The radius was also extended to include the six northern counties, and the rules were altered to suit the extended radius. We shall be pleased to welcome new members. The annual subscription is 2s. 6d.

One of the very best catalogues of bird-room requisites, foods, etc., that we have seen for many a long day reaches us from Mr. E. Tams, the well-known dealer, of Church Street, Longton, Staffs. Novices just starting, and old fanciers in search of new ideas, should certainly write at once for a copy. It contains close upon 200 illustrations. Mr. Tams informs us that although the war has made all goods cost him more, he has not raised his prices, hoping in that way to help fanciers keep their stocks together.

£5 for Sick Children.

We have handed to the Leicester Children's Hospital fund the sum of £5, the proceeds of a combined show, between the Leicester "Hand-in-Hand" and the Leicester Cage Bird Societies, write Messrs. J. Hardbattle and A. Freestone, Hon. Secs. Through your columns we wish to thank those who have supported us in the good work.

Strange Birds Arriving.

Many strange birds, which neither the fisher folk nor others more learned in ornithology can identify, says the "Pall Mall Gazette," are now making their appearance on the Hampshire coast—and presumably elsewhere. The supposition is that they have been driven across the Channel by the ceaseless cannonading on the Continent.

Thawing the Pheasant

As the landlord of the Plough Inn at Sleights, near Whitby, opened his door one cold morning this week, he was, according to "The Star," considerably surprised to see a cock Pheasant waiting to be admitted. The visitor at once walked in, past the smokeroom, and upstairs, warmth being evidently the bird's requirement. When the ice melted from him the bird departed, much comforted by his visit. He flew off in the direction of a neighbouring wood. [The only blot on this little story seems to be the failure to record the fact that the bird took a little whisky, hot, with lemon and sugar.—Editor, "C.B."]

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Cage-bird breeders may well ask themselves at the present time, when money is not exactly easily come by, what they are getting out of their birds; also whether they might not be getting something more than mere interest for their expenditure. We advise readers who really wish to achieve something in the way of success at next year's shows to acquire a copy of "Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds," and to systematically study that book and faithfully follow the plain directions set forth therein, founded on years of patient study. It is a really reliable, definite and practical work.

This grand encyclopædia gives a great deal of shrewd advice as to the successful breeding and rearing of every known Canary and Hybrid. Much of this information has never before been tabulated. The enthusiastic fancier will also be interested in what the learned contributors have to say about those particular "crosses" that have not so far been produced. The book will pay for itself over and over again in enabling fanciers to work systematically on the lines laid down and to breed birds true to type that will do them credit at the 1915 shows. A fine anatomical model of a Canary is presented free to purchasers.

Further particulars can be obtained from the Publishers' Free Booklet, which will be sent post free by the Waverley Book Company, from 7, 8, and 9, Old Bailey, London, E.C. This attractive pamphlet also tells of the firm's offer to send "Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds" for a merely nominal first payment of one shilling only, the balance being paid by a few small monthly payments to be made while the fancier is using the book and deriving profit from its use. Fill up the free form on page 171, which will bring the book to you.

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Should Birds Live on Canary Seed Alone?

An old Bird-keeper answers with an emphatic "No."

Sir,—I have read with interest the correspondence, and to my mind some of it is very misleading, especially to the novice. In my experience of birds (that is, over forty years) I have found you cannot make a hard and fast rule in feeding any variety of Canary or British Bird. Foods that would starve one species would kill others with fatness. I had a Goldfinch once that I could not bring into condition. I tried him on my usual mixed seed, that is 1 pint canary, ½ hemp, ¼ flax, ¼ teazle, ¼ summer rape, ¼ niger, with a little thistle added twice a week (all seeds of the best quality), but he did not thrive. So I put him on a diet of plain canary, with a little maw seed three times a week. Still no better result. So I thought I would try him on a diet of nothing but hemp, with ½-teaspoonful of Spratt's cod liver food three times a week. In a month's time I had him singing stoutly. So you see you cannot treat all birds alike. I recollect as a boy at my home in the West of Scotland we never heard of half the varieties of seeds that are on the market now. I used to go and fetch a quart of canary seed with a little hemp added, and a pennyworth of turnip seed, which is like our black rape, to give them as a treat once or twice a week. But you never saw the "bloom" on Canaries or British Birds then as you do now; and this "bloom" is the result of having so many different seeds with which to vary their diet. I always feed my Canaries on good Canary seed; I don't care whether it is Spanish or Turkish as long as it is sweet and plump. And as a tit-bit I give them a little gold of pleasure, hemp and rape twice a week. You should see how they enjoy it. Another change I give, is ½-teaspoonful of Spratt's cod liver oil food for my breeding hens; I add a little inga seed. I never use egg and biscuit now. I find cod liver oil food better; it contains all that is required to keep your birds in health. My advice to novices is not to stick to any hard and fast rule because Mr. So and So does it. Find out on what your birds do best, and make that your guide. One word of warning especially to British Bird fanciers; that is, always boil the water you use for drinking purposes if it has been lying in a tank; there may not be anything in it to do ourselves harm, yet enough to upset the stomachs of our birds. I maintain there are more British birds, especially fresh-caught ones, lost through the water than by using mixed seeds. John Jeffrey.

A supporter of plain living alleges Mixed Seeds caused bird's tail to drop out!

Sir,—I was most interested in reading Mr. Balcombe's letter on plain feeding, and I must say I heartily agree with all he said. I myself have often found that, through feeding too lavishly at the commencement of, and before, the breeding season, instead of getting the birds into high condition, it has just brought about the reverse. I consider that if your birds have plenty of good food and fresh water daily, and are cleaned out at least once a week, there will be no need of any extra feeding in order to get them into condition. My birds are all in splendid form, the cocks are whistling from morn till even, and the hens are calling vigorously. They have been in this condition for about two months, and none has received anything except plain seed, water, and a pinch of rape once or twice a month. I have had no heat in the room, and have never ceased to give them baths since last breeding season. They had a little green food during the moult, but have had none since.

With regard to British Birds, I had always been told that they would never thrive on anything except mixed seeds. About three years ago I procured a nice Linnet, which I fed on mixed seed. Result, I never bred a single Mule, and in about a couple of months it departed from the land of the living. I bought another Britisher in a day or two. This I fed on plain seed, and it is now enjoying life, singing, and relishing the plain seed also. I must admit about once a quarter it gets a couple of sunflower seeds, which it seems to appreciate, whilst once a month it gets a bit of rape, which it also seems to enjoy. I have also another Britisher, which has been fed on the same diet for a couple of years, and without spending many hours hunting in field and lane for wild seeds, in order to get it into condition, I managed to make it the happy parent of a brood of Canary Mules, which it seemed to fancy very much, and funnily enough, it never ate one of them! So this shows that it was not hungry, like some Britishers which live on mixed seed. The other got highly commended the other day, so the plain diet does not seem to spoil their show condition.

I remember the first season I was in the Fancy. I then knew nothing about birds except that they ate canary seed and that if you put a pair of birds in a cage they might breed. Well, mine did, and I reared seven young, which I don't think was bad for a first try. These were fed on plain canary seed, and nothing else.

I might also mention one other fact which goes to prove that plain diet is better than rich. Long ago I had an old Canary which I always fed on mixed seed, and sure enough before Christmas it had always lost its new tail. This happened for five or six years, and it was never nicely feathered. After a lot of puzzling, I thought that the seed must be the malefactor. So I gave it nothing but plain seed, and it never afterwards lost its tail, and was always nicely feathered. I have that bird stuffed now, as it was a great favourite, and when it died it was in splendid feather. Try the plain seed diet, and give your birds plenty of exercise, as much bathing as possible, plenty of fresh air, clean seed and water daily, and don't forget the sand, or you may find you get egg-bound hens, which, in my opinion, are not nice sights to see. Give good green food (mind it has not been touched by the frost). With a little care and common-sense success should be experienced by all the readers of this worthy paper, Cage Birds, which I wish the greatest success both now and in the future.

E. Geo. S. Everard.

St. Philips' Vic., Sheffield.

The Shows.

GUISBOROUGH PRIORY C.B.S.

Annual pair show at Charlton's; Mr. Papple judged, and gave every satisfaction. Champ. Yorks. Vell. Ck. Buff Hen: 1, 2, Cook; 2, Mays. B.C.V.H.: 1, Cook; 2, Wilson; 3, Barker. Nor. Y.C.B.H.: 1, 3, Cook; 2, Marsay. B.C.V.H.: 1, 3, Mays; 2, Cook. A.O.V.: 1, Marsay; 2, Cook. Muling: 1, Mays. Brit.: 1, Wesson; 2, Cook. Nov. Yorks. Yell. Ck. Buff Hen: 1, 2, Wesson; 3, Graham. B.C.V.H.: 1, Kirk; 2, Graham; 3, Wesson. Nor. Y.C.B.H.: 1, Dundas; 2, Knaggs; 3, Kirk. B.C.V.H.: 1, Dundass; 2, Knaggs.—A. Knaggs, Sec.

TORBAY O.S. (Paignton).

Annual pair show, March 1, Rabbich's, Winner-st., a cosy and well lighted room, in which the birds could be seen to advantage. Entries were good, and some really good Norwich and British birds were staged. Mr. F. Redwood gave every satisfaction as judge. Nor. Yell. Ck. and Buff Hen: 1, 2, Daw; 3, vhc, Wyatt; hc, Hodge. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, 3, Wyatt; 2, vhc, Daw. Yorks. Y.C. and B.H.: 1, 2, Roper. B.C., Y.H.: 1, 2, Roper. Gr. Ck. and Hen: 1, Innes. Can. Ck. and Brit. Hen: 1, Roper. Goldf. and Can.: 1, Roper. Linnet C. and Can.: 1, Skitch; 2, 3, Roper; vhc, Innes. Redpoll and Can.: 1, Roper. For.: 1, Skitch. Brit (Single): 1, Roper; 2, Burridge. F.F. show fixed for June 21st. Wyatt and Hedge, Joint. Secs.

EAST LOTHIAN C.B.S.

First table show, Feb. 20, over 60 entries. Mr. A. Titilah judged Borders, and Mr. P. C. Fairgrieve the remainder. W. Scott won spl. best Bord.; C. Barrie best Nor.; E. Docker best Brit.; J. Fairgrieve best matched pair. Cl. or Tkd. Ck.: 1, Barrie; 2, 3, Fairgrieve; 4, 5, Buglass; 6, Goodall; 7, Scott. Hen: 1, Sanderton; 2, Fairgrieve; 3, Steel; 4, Barrie; 5, Greenan; 6, Scott; 7, Buglass. Variegs.: 1, Fairgrieve; 2, Sanderton; 3, Steel; 4, Goodall; 5, 6, Barrie. Gr. or Cinn.: 1, Scott; 2, Barrie; 3, 4, 7, Fairgrieve; 5, Steel; 6, Buglass. Pair: 1, 2, Fairgrieve; 3, Buglass; 4, Barrie. Nor. Ck.: 1, 2, 3, Barrie. Hen: 1, 2, 3, Barrie. Brit., Large: 1, 2, Stoddart. Small: 1, Docker; 2, 3, Steel; 4, Goodall; 5, Barrie. A.O.V.: 1, 5, Barrie; 2, Docker; 3, 4, Steel.—J. Fairgrieve, Sec.

CAMBRIDGE C.B.A.

Members', Prince of Wales' Hotel, Feb. 18th, competition in many classes being keen. Mr. C. G. Williams judged.

NOR. CK.: 1, Bishop; 2, Hart; 3, Taylor. HEN: 1, 2, Bishop; 3, Taylor. PAIRS: 1, Hart; 2, 3, Bishop. YORKS. CK.: 1, 2, Bishop; 3, Taylor. HEN: 1, Hart; 2, 3, Bishop. PAIRS: 1, 2, Bishop; 3, Hart. BORD. PAIRS: 1, Manning. NOR., 1914: 1, Hart; 2, Bishop. YORKS.: 1, 2, Bishop. NOR. NOV.: 1, 2, Manning; 3, Hill. YORKS.: 1, 2, Ridgewell. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Hart. PAIRS FOR MULE BREEDING: 1, Hart. HYB.: 1, Taylor; 2, Hart. MULE: 1, Hart; 2, Williams; 3, Taylor. HYB.: 1, Hart, 2, 3, Taylor. GOLDF.: 1, Williams. BULLF.: 1, Hart. LINNET: 1, Manning; 2, Ridgewell; 3, Hill. GREENF.: 1, Hart; 2, Williams; 3, Manning. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Hart; 2, Taylor. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 3, Taylor; 2, Hart.—C. G. Taylor, Assist. Sec.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

First members' show, Feb. 27, Station Hotel. 79 birds staged. Quality was quite up to the standard. Mr. P. Mason judged, and gave satisfaction.

CHAMP. CL. or TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, vhc, Hartley; 3, S. Midgley; 4, F. Self; hc, Lingard. BUFF: 1, 2, c, Ormonroyd; 3, vhc, Jennings; 4, Lingard; hc, Hartley. GR. MKD. CK.: 1, vhc, Hartley; 2, hc, Geo. Midgley; 3, S. Midgley; 4, Ormonroyd. HEN: 1, Hartley; 2, Ormonroyd; 3, S. Midgley; 4, Lingard; vhc, Geo. Midgley. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 2, F. Self; 3, Lingard. HEN: 1, 2, F. Self; 3, 4, vhc, Hartley. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Lingard; 2, Jennings. BUFF: 1, S. Midgley; 2, F. Self; 3, 4, vhc, Hartley. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, E. Self; 2, Hanson; 3, Shackleton; 4, C. Self; vhc, Hunter. BUFF: 1, Hanson; 2, hc, c, Shackleton; 3, E. Self; 4, Oliver; vhc, Hunter. GR. MKD. CK.: 1, Hunter; 2, Collins Bros. HEN: 1, hc, c, Hunter; 2, 4, Collins Bros.; 3, Hanson; vhc, Firth. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, E. Self. HEN: 1, C. Self. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Neale; 2, Oliver; 3, 4, Firth; vhc, E. Self; hc, C. Self. HEN: 1, E. Self; 2, Hanson. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, E. Self. BUFF: 1, Collins Bros.; 2, vhc, E. Self; 3, Oliver; 4, Neale; hc, Firth.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEYS

Annual pair show, Feb. 24, Porth Hotel. The society has been extremely well suited in moving their headquarters to this hotel. Notwithstanding the number of recruits that have left this enterprising Colliery district, the Porth and Rhondda C.B.S. is still making progress, and with Mr. J. Challenger as show manager everything passed off most satisfactory. Committee: Messrs. Hillman, Baker, Stone, James, Ernest, Hubbard, J. Jones, Greeves and Richards, and Evans, with chairman, J. H. Bevan; vice, A. H. C. Legg; treas., T. Emanuel; and sec., J. S. Jones, pull all together for success. As an attraction for visitors, who turned up well, a large number of extremely well-benched birds not for competition were on view. Special for most entries and for most points were captured by Mr. Legg with 53 points. Quality was good, some exceptionally good Norwich and Yorks, being put down, and Goldfinches were extra good. T. L. Castree judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN: 1, 2, two splits., Greeves and Richards, promising pair for marked breeding leading, full of col. and well balanced; 3, Beavan. B.C., Y.H.: 1, 2, Greeves and Richards, well marked, typical cks. and good qual. short barrelled hen leading. GR. OR CINN.: 1, Legg. YORKS. Y.C., B.H.: 1, spl. Baker, we missed the other awards in this class. B.C., Y.H.: 1, J. S. Jones. BORD., Y.C., B.H.: 1, spl., Evans, saddleback cks., cl. hen, well balanced. B.C., Y.H.: 1, Legg, well staged. A.O.V.: 1, Stone; 2, Hillman. GOLDF. OR GREENF. AND CAN.: 1, spl., J. S. Jones, Goldf. and heavily marked Nor hen, promising for dark Muling. LIN. OR TWITL AND CAN.: 1, Greeves and Richards, Linnet and Cinn. mkd. Nor. hen; 2, Hillman, Twite and Yorks hen. SISKIN OR REDPOLL AND CAN.: 1, Legg, Lesser Redpoll and Nor. hen. GOLDF. OR GREENF. AND BRIT. LIN.: 1, Greeves and Richards, Greenf. and hen Bullie. LIN. OR TWITL AND BRIT HEN: 1, spl. best Hybrid pair, Legg, Linnet and Bullf. GOLDF., ETC., SINGLE: 1, spl., Emanuel, Goldf., grand size, well mounted and buttoned, bright, clear, and well cut blaze; 2, Greeves and Richards, Goldf., good all-round, beautiful polish, just behind in face; 3, Hillman, H.M. Bullie, lovely shape, good col., vhc, hc, Stone. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 2, Legg, Linnet and Redpoll respectively, leader has it in size and marking; 3, Stone. NOR., SINGLE: 1, 2, Beavan, cl. buff, good head and chest, leading; 3, 4, Legg. YORKS.: 1, spl, J. S. Jones, well drawn, upstanding pos.; 2, 3, Baker, good pos., bit pinched in neck, otherwise good. BORD.: 1, Evans, cl. yell., nice pos., good qual. feather; 2, vhc, Hubbard, cl. buff, good type; 3, Legg. MULE: 1, J. S. Jones; 2, Emanuel; 3, Stone.

LEIGH C.B.S.

Table show, Feb. 17. C. Walkden took spl. most points. Mr. W. Ordish judged, and his awards gave satisfaction. Brit. (9): 1, 2, Walkden; 3, Charleson; vhc, Hill; hc, c, Cann. Self (8): 1, c, Dawson; 2, Walkden; 3, hc, Taylor; vhc, Cann.—R. Charleson, Sec.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.

Members' show, Granby Hotel, Feb. 20. Mr. J. H. Fowle judged the 42 birds. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Ck.: 1, Myers; 2, 3, Ambler; 4, Farrer; vhc, Jowett. Buff: 1, Sharpe; 2, vhc, Ambler; 3, Myers; 4, Allatt; hc, Rolfe. Mkd. Yell. Ck.: 1, Sugden; 2, Myers; 3, Sharpe. Buff: 1, Sugden; 2, Sharpe; 3, Farrar. Cl. or Tkd. Vell. Hen: 1, Allatt; 2, Sugden; 3, Williams; 4, Myers; vhc, hc, Sharpe; c, Farrar. Buff: 1, Williams; 2, Sugden; 3, 4, Ambler; vhc, Rolfe. Mkd. Yell. Hen: 1, Myers; 2, Sharpe; 3, Sugden. Buff: 1, 3, Allatt; 2, Williams; 4, Sugden. Cuflig. Ck.: 1, Williams; 2, Sugden; 3, Farrar; 4, Rolfe; vhc, Myers; hc, Jowett.—Wm. Jagger, Sec.

LINDLEY F.A.

Show held Jan. 23, in the Bandroom, Lindley. The two classes provided for Canaries came up very well, some excellent birds being put down, and the society will do well to keep in touch with the Cage Bird Fanciers. Mr. F. Archer, Oakes, judged, and his decisions were very well received.

CAN. CK. (10): 1, sp, Cotton, cl. yell. Yorks., good type, lovely col.; 2, 3, sp (2), Shanks, 2nd, tkd. buff, larger than winner, but not the type, good qual. feather, nice pos., 3rd, cl. buff Yorks., good bird, but not the shape or style of 2nd, put down well; res, vhc, c, Smithies; hc, Moore. HEN (8): 1, sp, 3, Shanks, 1st, lovely yell. Yorks., good at all points, put down well, wins with something to spare, greatly admired; 3rd, cl. buff Yorks, lovely feather; 2, hc, Cotton, cl. buff, nice shape, feathered like a Java; res, Moore; vhc, c, Smithies.

LEITH O.S.

Annual table show and judging competition, Kinnaird's Hall, Kirkgate, Feb. 13, with a fair entry and some really grand birds well staged. Mr. J. F. Dewar judged and was awarded a hearty vote of thanks. Thirteen members took part in the judging competition. W. Allan won with 111 points, the sec. and president being 2nd and 3rd respectively, with 98 and 95. A special prize was awarded to every 1st prize bird.

Scotch Fancy: 1, West; 2, Muir. P.H.: 1, Weir; 2, 3, 4, 5, Watts; 6, Mainland. Cl. or Variegs. Bord.: 1, 2, 5, Rodger; 3, Brown; 4, Muir. Gr. or Cinn.: 1, 3, 5, Lumsden; 2, Brown; 4, Weir; 6, Stevenson. A.O.V.: 1, Stevenson; 2, 3, Smith, Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, 5, Watson; 2, Allan; 3, Brown; 4, Watson. Linnet: 1, Allan; 2, Weir. Greenf.: Allan. Bramble or Chaff.: 1, 2, Allan; 3, Mainland. A.O. Finch: 1, 3, Allan; 2, 4, Mainland. Softbill: Watson. F.M. Brit.: 1, 2, 3, Allan; 4, 6, Mainland; 5, Weir. Mule: 1, Allan; 2, 3, Watson; 4, Brown; 5, J. Allan; 6, Adams.

IRVINE C.B.S.

Show, Masonic Halls, Bank Street, Feb. 20, under the patronage of the Border F.C.C. Entries numbered 160. The judge, Mr. A. Chalmers, of Kirkintilloch, tackled his work in masterly fashion, and gave satisfaction to all. Mr. W. S. Clark won B.F.C.C. medal.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, McKean; 2, 3, Raeside and Savage. HEN: 1, 3, Raeside and Savage; 2, Aitken. BUFF CK.: 1, Aitken; 2, Raeside and Savage; 3, Conway. HEN: 1, Aitken; 2, Raeside and Savage; 3, Conway. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Aitken; 2, 3, McKean. HEN: 1, Aitken; 2, 3, McKean; 4, Ferguson. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, Wilson; 3, Miller. REDPOLL OR TWITE: 1, McKean; 2, Spratt; 3, McKean; 4, McColl. LINNET, F.M.: 1, Jeffrey; 2, 4, McKean; 3, Wilson. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Wilson; 2, Nairn; 3, Jeffrey. SCOTCH FANCY CK.: 1, Smith; 2, Ferguson; 3, Pearson; 4, Reid. HEN: 1, Ferguson; 2, Reid; 3, Pearson. BORD. CK. YELL.: 1, Clark; 2, McColl; 3, Alexander; 4, Nairn. HEN: 1, Kroezen; 2, Alexander; 3, Ferguson; 4, Clark. BUFF CK.: 1, Kroezen; 2, Clark; 3, Kilpatrick; 4, Nairn. HEN: 1, Clark; 2, Nairn; 3, Nairn; 4, McColl. CK., 1 OR 2 MARKS: 1, Nairn; 2, Gillis; 3, Young; 4, Gartland. HEN: 1, Murray; 2, Clark; 3, Kroezen; 4, Young. VELL., VARIEG., ETC.: 1, Clark; 2, Murray; 3, McColl; 4, Niven. HEN: 1, Nairn; 2, Spratt; 3, Nairn; 4, Kroezen. BUFF: 1, Murray; 2, Spratt; 3, Kroezen; 4, Clark. HEN: 1, Clark; 2, Kroezen; 3, Gartland. YELL. GR. OR FOUL CK.: 1, Kilpatrick; 2, Adrain; 3, Murray; 4, Rubie. HEN: 1, Gillies; 2, Gillies; 3, McColl; g, Harvey. BUFF CK.: 1, Gillies; 2, Rubie; 3, Murray; 4, Nairn. HEN: 1, Kroezen; 2, Murray; 3, Adrain; 4, Clark. CINN. OR FOUL CK.: 1, McColl; 2, Kroezen, 3, Murray; 4, Murray. HEN: 1, Murray; 2, Rubie; 3, McColl; 4, Kilpatrick. Admission to show was by ticket, entitling holder to participate in prize-drawing for seven singing birds presented by members of the society. After paying the expenses of the show, the balance goes to the War Funds.—Hugh M. Ferguson, Sec. and Treas.

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HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

Annual members' winter show, Feb. 26th, headquarters; 51 birds, all Yorks., staged. Mr. S. Binns, Cleckheaton, judged. Vell Ck. (5): 1, Atkinson; 2, F. Sykes; 3, Buttle and Coupland; vhc, Cotton; hc, W. Sykes. Buff (6): 1, hc, Buttle and Coupland; 2, vhc, Radley; 3, F. Sykes; c, Townend. Yell. Hen (4): 1, F. Sykes; 2, Townend; 3, Shanks; vhc, Radley. Buff (5): 1, Radley; 2, F. Sykes; 3, Townend; vhc, Buttle and Coupland; hc, Armistead. Unflig. Yell. Ck. (9): 1, 2, F. Sykes; 3, Smithies; vhc, c, Cox; hc, A. Atkinson. Buff (8): 1, Whitehead; 2, F. Sykes; 3, Skinn; vhc, Smithies; hc, Radley; c, Shanks. Unflig. Hen (7): 1, vhc, F. Sykes; 2, Crowther; 3, Whitehead; hc, Radley; c, A. Atkinson. Cinn. Mkd. Hen (4): 1, 2, vhc, Wood; 3, Armistead.—A. Lawford, Sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Members' annual pair show, Feb. 6, Mail Coach Inn. There was a splendid entry of 57, one of the best seen for some years. Mr. Brotherton won most points in Yorks., also special. Mr. Wall second most points. Mr. Wall won most points in Nor.; 2, Jones; 3, Stafford. Most points British, Brotherton; 2, Jones; 3, Smith. Spl. best pair, Mr. Bagnall. Mr. J. Warrender, Hoyland, judged, and his awards gave satisfaction.

YELL. YORKS. CK. AND BUFF HEN: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Brotherton; 3, hc, Wall; c, Wiltshire. B.C. AND Y.H.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Brotherton; 3, Wall; 4, Hicks; c, Wiltshire. NOR. Y.C. AND B.H.: 1, vhc, Wall; 2, Stafford; 3, Dyson; 4, Jones; hc, Webster; c, Bagnall. B.C. AND Y.H.: 1, spl, Bagnall; 2, Jones; 3, 4, Wall; vhc, Webster; hc, c, Stafford. BRIT. HARDBILL CK. AND CAN. HEN: 1, 3, Brotherton; 2, vhc, Jones; 4, Dyson; hc, Smith; c, Bagnall. PAIRS FOR HYB.: 1, Smith; 2, 3, 4, Brotherton.—J. E. Taylor, Sec.

CRYSTAL PALACE & PENGE C.B.A

Successful pair show, Feb. 17. The entry was scarcely up to last year's total, but there was a distinct advance in quality. Some of the Norwich were particularly typical, and the Yorks. of fine length and quality. A few good Borders and British made up quite an interesting collection. Sp. best champ. went to a very fine pair of Yorks., sent in by Mr. Foxen, Mr. Last winning novice sp. with a pair of typical Borders, in fine condition. In Mr. Fryett the society has a hard-working secretary. Mr. Hutton once more kindly lent the room for the show, and erected the staging in quite an artistic manner. Mr. H. Norman judged, and gave the members a short lecture upon pairing.

NOR. CHAMP.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hutton; vhc, hc, Smith. YORKS.: 1, 2, Foxen; 3, 4, Hutton. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Last; vhc, Rev. Soames. NOR., NOV.: 1, Legg; 2, 4, vhc, c, Halhead; 3, hc, Whiffen. YORKS.: 1, 4, Poingdestre; 2, 3, Last; vhc, Fryett; hc, Humphries; c, Powell. GOLDF.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Humphries. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 3, 4, Cory; 2, Fryett. A.O.V.: 1, Rev. Soames; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Cory; hc, Humphries. HYB. PAIRS: 1, 2, Whiffen.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Feb. 6, in the cosy end of the Assembly Room, Crown Hotel, Station Street. Entries were excellent considering how near the date was to breeding season, and quality was very good. Yorks. were well represented, many noted winners being present, and the running was very close in some of the classes. British came up well. Mr. J. H. Jones, the able sec., was well supported by several members, who attended to the exhibits. Mr. J. H. Roe judged, and gave every satisfaction.

CHAMP. NOR. BUFF: 1, Bastock; 2, 3, Taylor. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Taylor; 2, Bastock. NOR. YELL.: 1, Jones; 2, Clarke; 3, Derry. BUFF: 1, 2, Derry; 3, Clarke; 4, Hinton. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Jones. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Wells; 2, Cowley; 3, Swinden; 4, Allen. BUFF: 1, 3, Wells; 2, Cowley; 4, Allen. HEN: 1, 4, Wells; 2, 3, Cowley; vhc, Swinden. UNFLIG.: 1, Cowley; 2, 3, Wells; 4, Allen. NOV. YELL.: 1, 2, Austin. BUFF: 1, Clarke. HEN: 1, 3, Clarke; 2, 4, Austin. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 4, Clarke; 3, vhc, Austin. CREST: 1, 2, Cox. C.B.: 1, 2, Cox. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Jones; 2, Ward. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, Raby; 3, Ward; 4, Jones. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Raby; 2, 3, Ward. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Ward. FOR.: 1, Ward. STOCK: 1, 2, Taylor; 3, 4, vhc, Wells.—A. C. Shirley, Assist. Sec.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Inter Club Show, Jan. 23, Headquarters, Duke of York, when the final of the Inter Club cup only attracted an entry of about 125 from four societies, not a single entry coming from West Bromwich, and only two exhibitors sent from Walsall. Mr. P. V. Williams' well-known winning yellow was much admired. Messrs. Wells, Weaver, Gough and Loach, Garfield and Gibbons, J. Weeks, and J. A. Tonks, Esq., also staged large teams, and quality all round was grand, many well known winners being on view. The Inter Club cup will for the second time find a resting place at Wolverhampton. The keenest struggle was for the members' challenge cup, as all the year only four points have divided the first six, and in the final Messrs. Gough and Loach and J. Gibbons tied with 66 points each. Mr. G. Baker judged, and left no room for grumbling.

NOR. YELL. CK. (3): 1, 2, Williams; 3, Garfield. BUFF (6): 1, Rowley; 2, Shirley; 3, Williams; vhc, c, Garfield; hc, Gough and Loach. MKD. (6): 1, hc, Gough and Loach; 2, vhc, Weaver; 3, Rowley; c, Garfield. HEN (6): 1, 3, hc, Gough and Loach; 2, Garfield; vhc, Williams; c, Gibbons and Weekes. UNFLIG. YELL. (2): 1, Williams; 2, Gough and Loach. BUFF (4): 1, Williams; 2, Weaver; 3, Gough and Loach; vhc, Garfield. HEN (6): 1, 2, Gough and Loach; 3, vhc, hc, Garfield; c, Weaver. YORKS., YELL. CK. (7): 1, Hepwood; 2, Williams; 3, vhc, Gibbons and Weekes; hc, Wells and Clempson; c, Burke. BUFF (3): 1, 3, Williams; 2, Gibbons and Weekes. MKD. (6): 1, vhc, c, Gibbons and Weekes; 2, 3, Wells and Clempson; hc, Williams. HEN (3): 1, Burke; 2, Gibbons and Weekes; 3, Wells and Clempson. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, 3, Wells and Clempson; 2, Cowley; vhc, c, Gibbons and Weekes; hc, Hepwood. BUFF (4): 1, Wells and Clempson; 2, Cowley; 3, Williams; vhc, Hepwood. HEN (6): 1, Cowley; 2, hc, c, Gibbons and Weekes; 3, Burke; vhc, Wells and Clempson. NAT. COL. (4): 1, Gough and Loach; 2, Trusselle; 3, Gibbons; vhc, Hinton. PK. MULE (5): 1, 2, Tonks; 3, hc, Hepwood; vhc, Weaver. A.O. MULE OR HYB. (2): 1, Raby; 2, Weaver. GOLDF. (6): 1, Raby; 2, 3, Tonks; vhc, Price; hc, Barrett; c, Weaver. LINNET (5): 1, 2, hc, Tonks; 3, Price; vhc, Raby. SISKIN, ETC. (4): 1, Raby; 2, Tonks; 3, Price; vhc, Garfield. GREENF., ETC. (3): 1, Hepwood; 2, Tonks; 3, Garfield. A.O. HARDBILL (3): 1, 2, Tonks. BRIT. HEN (4): 1, Price; 2, 3, vhc, Hepwood. SOFTBILL (3): 1, 2, Williams. NOV. NOR., CK. (4): 1, Barrett; 2, Hampton; 3, Bendall; vhc, Shirley. HEN (5): 1, Barrett; 2, 3, Hampton; vhc, hc, Bendall. UNFLIG (3): 1, 2, Shirley; 3, Hampton. YORKS. CK. 1, Hinton. HEN: 1, 2, Trusselle. UNFLIG: 1, Trusselle. J. Gibbons, Hon. Sec.

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HARROGATE C.B.S.

Last monthly show, Feb. 27; 61 birds staged. Cup most points throughout season, Hamlyn; runner-up, Gill; most points in unflig.: 1, 2, 3, birds only, cup, Veitch; runner-up, Ireland. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged. Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Ireland; 2, Hamlyn; 3, hc, Cottam; 4, vhc, Gill. Buff: 1, hc, Cottam; 2, 3, Hamlyn; 4, vhc, Gill. Mkd.: 1, 4, Hamlyn; 2, vhc, Gill; 3, Cottam; hc, Barnwell. Unflig.: 1, Veitch; 2, Hamlyn; 3, Gill; 4, Brown; vhc, c, Ireland; hc,, Cottam. Hen: 1, Hamlyn; 2, 4, vhc, Ireland; 3; c, Veitch; hc, Brown. Yell. Hen: 1, Gill; 2, 3, 4, Hamlyn; vhc, hc, Cottam. Buff: 1, Gill; 2, 3, Hamlyn; 4, Veitch. Pairs: 1, Gill; 2, Cottam; 3, Gill; 4, Barnwell; vhc, Hamlyn; hc, Veitch; c, Brown,—G. H. Baruwell, Sec.

READING C.B.S.

Pair show, Palmer Hall, March 3. A good number of members present, including a few ladies, who are beginning to take a real interest in the meetings. The birds were not so numerous as usual, especially Yorks., but some really good pairs were shown. Mr. Lewin, Oxford, judged, and afterwards gave comments on the birds, and also answered questions bestowed upon him from all parts of the room. A hearty vote of thanks was recorded Mr. Lewin for his very interesting and instructive comments.

CHAMP. NOR.: 1, 2, sp., Dearlove; 3, hc, Lovegrove; vhc, Smith; c, Vince. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, sp., Chalker. AMAT. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, sp., Larkcom; hc, Colburn; c, Foster. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, sp., Sergt. Thomas. NOV. NOR.: 1, 2, sp., Munday; 3, Mrs. Wright; vhc, hc, Rout; c, Colburn. A.O.V.: 1, 2, sp., Meadowcroft. MULE and HYB.: Colburn, two firsts and sp.—O. C. Smith, Sec.

LARKHALL C.B.A.

Last of winter series of table show, Y.M. Halls, Mar. 6. The entry was very disappointing, for after such a fine turn-out at other table shows a large entry was expected. Mr. W. P. Campbell won Mr. Marley's sp. most points throughout table shows; best pair Bord., Thomson; best pair Nor. and sp. best pair Brit., Kennedy. Messrs. D. Hamilton, T. Morrison, and G. Marlin judged, and their awards were very satisfactory. Bord. Yell. Ck., Buff Hen: 1, Thomson; 2, 3, Pollock; 4, Rundell; 5, 6, Kennedy. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, sp, 2, Thomson; 3, Pollock; 4, 6, Kennedy; 5, Rundell. Nor. Y.C. and B.H.: 1, Rundell; 2, 3, Campbell; 4, Rundell; 5, McEwan; 6, Kennedy. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, sp, c, Kennedy; 2, 3, Campbell; 4, McGregor; 5, 6, McEwan. Muling Pairs: 1, 3, 6, Campbell; 2, Kennedy; 4, McGregor; 5, Rundell. Hyb., Bullf. Hen: 1, McGregor; 2, Kennedy; 3 Campbell. A.O. Hyb.: 1, 2, Campbell; 3, Kennedy; 4, McGregor. For.: 1, sp, Kennedy; 2, Campbell.—A. Thomson, Hon. Sec.

CREWE O.S.

Annual show, Feb. 27, with nearly 400 entries. Mr. P. Victor Williams presented a challenge cup for most points at the three shows by six nominated birds. Competition was keen, and resulted in a tie on points, the cup to go to winner of most money. Mr. Chas. Houlton judged, and gave satisfaction. The Sec. had everything in good order, and promptly got through his work.

CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Lawton, big strong pair, looking first class, neat throughout; 3, vhc, Long, very breedy and stylish. BUFF: 1, 2, Potts, in fine order, typical; 3, Elks, very neat. VAR. BUFF (8): 1 Lawton, grand shape, rare carr., col., pos. and cond.; 2, Elks, paler, otherwise equal; 3, hc, Dunn; vhc, Potts; c, Long. HEN: 1, 2, Elks, very smart; 3, Potts, gives way a little in cond.; vhc Dunn. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, vhc, Elks, very typical; 2, 3, hc, Potts, strong trio, nice order; c, Dunn. BUFF: 1, Elks, well posted; 2, Potts, shorter, grand qual., etc.; 3, Dunn, beaten in cond. BORD. CL., ETC., YELL. (11): very good class; 1, 3, Lawton, very stylish, jaunty, fine type, carr. and feather; 2, c, Croft, good col. nice type and style; vhc, Heaton; hc, Betteley. BUFF (7): 1, hc, Croft, mkd., gay jaunty carr., fine qual. and cond.; 2, 3, Heaton, 2nd best type, etc.; 3rd, thicker through; vhc, Lawton. HEN (7): 1, 2, Heaton, grand pair, win well; 3, Lawton, neat buff, grand carr.; vhc, hc, Croft. MULE, ETC.: 1, 3, Dunn, good Goldf.-Greenf. leading, and a dk. Linnet-Can.; 2, Lawton, good blaze, buff Goldf.-Can.; vhc, Elks. GOLDF. (7): 1, Jaycott, regular wagon-horse, grand moons and bars, and shape; 2, hc, Morgan, narrower body, good blaze and moons, nice colours; 3, Lawton; vhc, c, Long. GREENF. or BULLF.: 1, Morgan, very good Greenf.; 2, 3, Jaycott, nice shape Bullf. and Greenf.; vhc, Lawton. LINNET: 1, 2, Morgan, wins easy, fine bird; 3, Long, slimmer, nice cond.; vhc, Lawtou; hc, Jaycott. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Heaton, pretty moulted Redpoll; 2, Lawton, medium sized Twite; 3, vhc, Jaycott, good Redpolls; hc, Croft. BRAMBLE, ETC. (7): good lot; 1, Dunn, Bramble, fine col. and spangle, bit defective in feet, but wins; 2, Betteley, pretty Chaffinch; 3, Lawton, nice Bramble, smaller and paler; vhc, hc, Jaycott; c, Morgan.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Pair show, Feb. 17, Naish's Royal Stores, a room well adapted for the purpose of an evening show. The quality of the 106 exhibits was exceptionally good, amongst them being several noted winners, and with the amount of new blood introduced into the society, and so many veterans at the helm, a promising future seems to he a certainty for this most enterprising society. Mr. T. L. Castree judged.

NOR. YELL. CK. (4): 1, 3, James and Wells, cl. and variegs., 1st leads in type; 2, Mrs. Weeks, nice exhibit; 4, Thomas. BUFF (4): 1, 4, Thomas, good depth, nice barrel, bit pinched in head; 2, James and Wells, good qual. and col.; 3, Mrs. Weeks. HEN (1): 1, James and Wells. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN (6): 1, 2, vhc, he, James and Wells, well balanced pairs; 3, Thomas; 4, Mrs. Weeks. B.C., Y.H. (5): 1, 4, Thomas, cobby, deep chested, clean cut under, good qual., well mated; 2, 3, James and Wells; vhc, Brailli. NOV. NOR., YELL. CK. (2): 1, Phelps, good type and qual.; 2, Rev. Jolliffe. BUFF: 1, Rev. Jolliffe. HEN: 1, Rev. C. B. Jolliffe; 2, Jenkins. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN (7): 1, F. Jenkins, good type and qual., promising; 2, 3, Rev. Jolliffe; 4, c, Phelps; vhc, he, Townsend. B.C., Y.H.: 1, Rev. Jolliffe, promising, well balanced pair; 2, Phillips; 3, hc, Townsend; vhc, c, Phelps. OPEN YORKS., YELL. CK. (10): 1, c, Smith, well up on leg, stands like a rush; 2, hc, Bale, just behind in length; 3, he, Weeks, well rounded shoulders, nice pos.; 4, vhc, James and Wells. BUFF (10): 1, Weeks, clinking pos., handles well, good qual.; 2, 3, Bale, well moulded, long sided, good pos.; 4, Smith; vhc, Dugmore; hc, Howard; c, James and Wells. HEN (8): 1, hc, Dugmore, cl. yell., lovely pos., clean cut; 2, James and Wells; 3, Smith; 4, c, Bale; vhc, Weeks. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN (7): 1, 2, Bale, well mated, nicely balanced; 3, Weeks, close up; 4, c, James and Wells; vhc, Dugmore; he, Smith. B.C., Y.H. (10): 1, c, Dugmore, evenly balanced; 2, Smith, nice position, well mated; 3, Weeks, close up, promising; 4, James and Wells; vhc, he, Bale. NOV. YELL. CK. (4): 1, 2, Deere; 3, 4, Merritt. BUFF (2): 1, Merritt; 2, Deere. HEN (3): 1, 3, Merritt; 2, Deere. Y.C., B.H. (3): 1, Dallimore; 2, 3, Deere. B.C., Y.H. (1): Merritt. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, Brailli. BUFF (2): 1, Pearee; 2, Brailli. HEN: 1, Pearee; 2, 3, Brailli. Y.C., B.H.: 1, Pearee; 2, Brailli. B.C., Y.H.: 1, Brailli; 2, Pearce. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Davies; 2, Brailli. MULING PAIRS: 1, 2, Brailli. BRIT.: 3, classes, 1, each, all Davies.

LINCOLN C.B.S.

Annual pair show, Central Hall, Mar. 2, with a fairly good entry, some grand pairs being on show, both in Nor. and Yorks. Mr. Barnes, Grantham, judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Sisson; 3, 4, J. Cordwell. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Sisson; 3, Walker. YORKS. YELL. CK. and BUFF HEN: 1 vhc, Harris; 2, hc, Spurr; 3, Pinchbeck; 4, J. Cordwell; c, Pleasance. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, Walker; 2, J. Cordwell; 3, Pleasance; 4, Harris; vhc, Spurr; hc, Cordwell; c, Pinchbeck. CINN.: 1, Walker; 2, Harris; 3, Cordwell. A.O.V.: 1, Spurr. MULING: 1, Pinchbeck; 2, c, Sisson; 3, Mrs. Brackenbury; 4, Hewson; vhc, Pleasance; he, Spurr. HYB.: 1, 2, Spurr; 3, 4, Cordwell; he, Hewson. Mr. W. Brotherton has been engaged to judge N.F. show, July 3, and Mr. J. Robson annual show, Dec. 4.—R. W. Sisson, Hon. Sec.

LEICESTER.

Third combined Charity Show of the Leicester "Hand in Hand" and the Leicester C.B.S., Feb. 6, Vaughan College, in aid of the Children's Hospital Fund. Entries were equal to previous shows, and the exhibits were of the highest quality. Nor. were the feature of the show, many well-known birds being staged. In nov. competition was very keen; some of the winners should have held their own in the open. British classes were filled, and the winners much admired. The exhibition proved a great success and a good sum was realised. Mr. E. Noakes judged Canaries, and Mr. J. A. Pinsent Mules and British.

NOR. NAT. COL.: 1, Pole; 2, Kilsby; 3, Wormleighton. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Freestone; 3, Day. BUFF: 1, Walton; 2, Freestone; 3, Day. GR.: 1, Day; 2, Loundon and Start; 3, West. YELL. HEN: 1, Freestone; 2, Moores; 3, Day. BUFF: 1, Leavesley; 2, Moores; 3, Day. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Hulse, 2, Herbert; 3, Moores. BUFF: 1, Jolley; 2, 3, Claypole and Crane. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN: 1, Hulse; 2, Sturgess; 3, Claypole and Crane. BUFF: 1, Moores; 2, Sturgess; 3, Hulse. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Forster; 2, Allen; 3, Barber. BUFF: 1, 2, Foster; 3, James. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Wholton; 3, Gamble. MULE: 1, Kilsby; 2, Claypole and Crane; 3, West. GOLDF.: 1, Brooks; 2, Roberts; 3, West. BULLF.: 1 Lamdon and Start; 2, West; 3, Brooks. LINNET: 1, Orme; 2, Allen; 3, Brooks. GREENF.: 1, 2, Brooks; 3, Hardbattle. CHAFF.: 1, Brooks; 2, Kilsby; 3, Hardbattle. SISKIN: 1, 3, Brooks; 2, Hawthorn. A.O. FINCH: 1, Kilsby; 2, Hardbattle. BRIT HEN: 1, Deacon; 2 and 3, Hardbattle. NOV., NAT. COL.: 1, spl, Crane; 2, West; 3, Welch. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Hughes; 2, Bent; 3, Pearson. BUFF: 1, Weldon; 2, Farmer; 3, Henney. GR.: 1, spl, West; 2, Hewitt; 3, Roberts. YELL. HEN: 1, Hewitt; 2, Hulbert; 3, Bent. BUFF: 1, Hewitt; 2, Henney; 3, Cobley. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Cobley; 2, West; 3, Bent. BUFF: 1, Tyers; 2, Steel; 3, Jolley. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN: 1, West; 2, Roberts; 3, Pearson. BUFF: 1, Jolley; 2, Tyers; 3, Brooks.

DONCASTER C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Feb. 6, Druids' Arms, Bentley. Entries totalled 152. Gold medal (given by Mr. A. Marshall) for best bird went to a charming unflig. buff Yorks., shown by Mr. Truman; gold centre silver medal, also given by Mr. Marshall, for 2nd best, to Mr. Hartshorn. A beautiful Bullfinch, shown by Mr. Truman accounted for the Harry Barker challenge cup, and the F. Barker cup. Dr. Gray cup for most points with three starred birds, Mr. Blanchon, and the silver challenge cup, Mr. Blanchon; novice cup, Mr. Evans, with 47 points, runner up, Simpson, 36. Section specials: Yorks., Nor., and Brit., Truman; Mules and For., Hartshorn; A.O.V. Can., Twine; Mr. Brotherton (Rotherham) judged, and gave every satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, vhc, Truman; 2, Spittlehouse; 3, Whitington; 4, Hunt. BUFF: 1, Blanchon; 2, 4, Truman; 3, Spittlehouse; vhc, Lumby; he, Whitington. VARIEG.: 1, Hunt; 2, Whitington; 3, Truman. YELL. HEN: 1, 3, Truman; 2, Norman; 4, Blanchon. BUFF: 1, 4, Hunt; 2, vhc, Truman; 3, Spittlehouse. UNFLIG. YELL: 1, 2, vhc, he, Blanchon; 3, Lumby; 4, Truman; c, Whitington. BUFF: 1, 2, Truman; 3, Hunt; 4, vhc, Blanchon. CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, he, A. Smith; 2, Simpson; 3, Flint; 4, H. Smith; vhc, Smedley. BUFF: 1, c, Evans; 2, Truman; 3, H. Smith; 4, vhc, Hartshorn; he, Simpson. A.O.V.: 1, Truman; 2, Simpson; 3, Evans; 4, Smedley; vhc, Twine; he, H. Smith. YELL. HEN: 1, H. Smith; 2, 3, Truman; 4, Blanchon; vhc, Smedley; he, Simpson. BUFF: 1, Twine; 2, A. Smith; 3, H. Smith; 4, he, c, Flint; vhc, Evans. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Flint; 3, Truman; he, Twine. BUFF: 1, Truman; 2, he, Evans; 3, Simpson; 4, Twine; vhc, c, Flint. A.O.V.: 1, Twine. UNFLIG.: 1, Twine. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Spittlehouse; 2, vhc, Truman; 3, Evans; 4, Ball; he, Wade; c, Tempertcn. GREENF.: 1, 2, vhc, c, Blanchon; 3, Cooke; 4, Evans; he, Brown. LINNET: 1, Evans; 2, Simpson; 3, Lumby; 4, Wade; vhc, Ball. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 4, Ball; 2, Simpson; 3, vhc, Cooke; he, Wade. A.O.V.: 1, Tomkinson; 2, Simpson; 3, Truman; 4, H. Smith; vhc, Brown. F.M.: 1, 2, 6, Truman; 3, Ball; 4, Evans; vhc, Tomkinson; he, Norman. BRIT. HEN: 1, Simpson; 2, Smith; 3, Ball; 4, Wade. MULE: 1, Evans; 2, 3, Blanchon; 4, vhc, Spittlehouse; he, Simpson. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, c, Hartshorn.—G. Hunt, Hon. Sec.

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BEDFORD C.B.S.

Annual Pair show, headquarters, March 3. A Mule or Hybrid class and several British classes were added. Mr. Markham judged, and gave satisfaction.

NOR. YELL. CK. AND BUFF HEN: 1, Notley, massive mkd. ck., smart, typical hen; 2, Beauland, nice qual. cock, bit too long, short chubby hen, plenty of size; 3, Notley, cl. ck., nice type, massive hen; 4, Hunter. B.C. and Y.H.: 1, Notley, well made Mkd. ck., fine big hen, bit loose in feather; 2, Johnson, massive ck., trifle long, and smart, heavily mkd. hen; 3, Beauland, lengthy ck., fine, typical hen; 4, Johnson. NOV.: 1, vhc, he, Crawford, cl. buff ck., trifle small, lovely heavily mkd. hen; 2, Crawford, excellent mkd. ck., correct type and smart cl. hen; 3, c, Hudson, smart but small cock, big bouncing hen; 4, Simons; he, c, Coley. MULING: 1, Notley, nice cock Greenf. and hen Nor. HYB.: 1, Hunter, smart Goldf. and Redpoll. JUNIOR NOR.: 1, Thompson, smart yell. ck., large mkd. hen; 2, 3, Crawford, jun., yell ck., lacks subs., good buff hen; 3, good gr. yell. ck. and smart buff hen. MULE or HYB.: 1, Wilmot, smart, evenly mkd. Goldf. Mule; 2, Notley, large Greenf.-Goldf.; 3, Hunter, pretty Redpoll-Goldf. BULLF. or GOLDF.: 1, ——, Bullf., grand cap, good col., steady; 2, Wright, good Goldf., nice blaze; 3, Notley, smart Goldf., steady, good cond.; 4, Simons. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Wright, Siskin, rare fettle; 2, Simons, smart Redpoll; 3, Notley, good Redpoll; 4, Brewer. CHAFF., ETC.: 1, Wilmot, good col. Chaff; 2, Wright, fine big Greenf.; 3, Brewer, Bramblef.; 4, Hunter; vhc, Brewer; he, c, Notley. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Brewer, fine Yellowhammer, good markings, and large Corn Bunting.

Club Reports.

LEYTON C.B.A.

At the table show, Mar. 1, new headquarters, Parish Hall, Church Road, Leyton, about fifty birds were staged, and seventeen members took part in a judging competition, the winner being Mr. W. L. Taylor. The final judge was our old friend, Mr. J. S. Clarke, who, at our special request, emerged once more from his shell of retirement. Special for best bird went to Mr. Pettit's Corn Bunting, 2nd best Mr. Underhay's Norwich. Fanciers within fifteen miles' radius of Leyton, who desire to become members, will be heartily welcomed. A show or lecture is held on the first Monday each month, sub. 2s. 6d. per ann. The hon. sec., Mr. G. King, 1, Kimberley Road, Leytonstone, will be pleased to send particulars to all who apply.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

BURNLEY O.S.

Meeting, Headquarters, Star Inn, Church Street, Mar. 3; Mr. West chair. New members made: Mr. Richardson and Mr. Dunderdale. Decided to hold F.F. show June 19, three birds to be shown for cup and special, to be nominated when entered. Classes: Cl. Yell., Tkd., and Var. Nor., ditto buff tkd. and var. Nor., ditto Yellow and Ciun.-mkd. Yorks., ditto Buff, Mules or Hyb., Brit. Soft and Hardbills. Mr. T. Lingard gave a lecture on "Pairing Birds for Breeding Winners." The lecture was very interesting, and was greatly appreciated, and a lively discussion followed, most of the members taking part. The information which he gave was well worth recording in print. Ill-health has kept him from showing much during the last two seasons, but we wish him better luck in the future. The society is making steady progress, but there is room for more. I think that we shall get a few more yet through our paper, CAGE BIRDS. Full particulars will be supplied on enquiry, and we hope to cater for more varieties. Members are requested to attend next meeting, Mar. 17, as we want to get the show business settled.—T. Chadwick, Sec., 42, Shale Street, Burnley.

ECCLESHILL C.B.S.

Annual supper and prize distribution, March 6, Fountain Inn, with a good attendance. Mr. J. W. Kaberry, Lidget Green, presented prizes, and made a splendid chairman. He said he had been to several members' prize distributions, but had never seen one as good as Eccleshill. It being a little society with only about 20 members, such a grand display of prizes was a credit, and he was surprised we had not more members. To keep the ball rolling, he said, I will give a travelling case for next year's competition. Mr. Airton proposed the health of the new President, Mr. O. Partington, M.P., and said we had got a good man in the place of our old and esteemed friend, Mr. P. Illingworth. Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilcock served the supper in fine style, and all seemed satisfied. After supper songs were rendered in fine style by Messrs. B. Hobson, W. Lee, M. Rider, and S. Wilcock, and Mr. J. Bousfield gave us some very good recitals, also two comics, which all enjoyed. Mr. G. A. Simonett proposed a vote of thanks to the host and hostess, Mr. W. Lee seconded. Mr. Wilcock responded, saying if we had all enjoyed ourselves, it was all he cared about. An enjoyable evening was brought to a close with singing "He's a jolly good fellow."—S. Wilcock, Hon. Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

A Good Year's Work Accomplished.

Annual meeting Mar. 1, 6, The Broadway, Mr. W. H. Stoakley presiding, the attendance being quite up to the average. Sec. submitted report and accounts. The year was started with a membership of 114, and although there had been several resignations the roll now numbered 115. There had been a great falling off in subs., but it was thought not advisable to worry the members just now. There had been an average attendance of 25 at meetings. Four judging competitions were held in which an average of 18 took part. The annual open show, which was arranged for November, showed every prospect of a great success, but after a deal of discussion it was reluctantly decided to abandon the show and to substitute a members' show. The committee's action was subjected to adverse criticism at the October meeting, but at the November meeting the chairman explained fully the committee's reasons for their action, and the explanation was loyally accepted by the members. The report concluded by the sec. paying a warm tribute to Mr. H. Smith, who had given him much valuable advice, and to others who had given considerable help at the shows of the society. The accounts showed a profit on the young bird show of 9d., a loss on the pair show of 4s. 2d., and on the annual show of 16s. 9d. The general accounts showed a balance in hand of £18 19s. 3d., as against £25 12s. 9d. the previous year, and the balance-sheet showed the total assets to be £39 17s. 2d. Mr. F. J. R. Piper was re-elected pres., but Mr. W. H. Stoakley, who has been chairman of the society since its formation, now insisted upon his resignation, whereupon Mr. J. W. Heath was elected, and a hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Stoakley for his ten years' service to the society. Vice-pres. were re-elected: J. Carson, Mrs. Griffiths, C. How, E. J. Lamb, J. Robson, P. Rorke, H. Smith, Dr. Spencer, Mrs. Thynne, and J. G. Warley. Committee: H. J. Bailey, A. H. Dyke, H. W. Hobden, R. A. Newley, F. W. Owen, Mrs. Owen, E. J. Pegg, F. Thynne, and F. Whiting. G. Griffiths re-elected hon. sec., very glowing tributes being paid him for the manner in which he had performed his duties during his first year of office. A slight alteration in the definition of a novice was made, and a vote of thanks was accorded the auditors. The result of the judging competitions for the year was announced. Mr. E. J. Pegg heading the list and winning the chairman's prize with 50 points, Mr. J. H. Bailey runner-up 41. Members who got over 30 points were: C. E. Nash 36, Mrs. Griffiths 32, and F. Whiting 31. There was one nomination for membership, and a message of condolence was ordered to be sent to Mr. F. Whiting, who had lost his wife and had been attending her funeral that day.—G. Griffiths, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, March 4, Mr. Jones presiding. The movement to promote a combined show, similar to last year, by the local and district societies, has reached a business stage, and nearly all have agreed to support it. Messrs. Jones, Furniss and Cowley were appointed delegates to meet representatives from other societies to make arrangements, and further particulars will be published later. The N.F. Show had been fixed for the usual date, but one of the local societies having brought their show forward to the same date, and to avoid clashing, it was was reluctantly decided to hold onrs July 3rd. Balance sheet for 1914 was read, which showed a good balance to carry forward, and that the society was in a flourishing condition. There is every credit due to the secretary for the able and efficient manner in which he has handled the affairs of the society, and also thanks to the members for their support. Several members spoke as to the way in which to make the society even a greater success, and there is every reason to believe from the enthusiasm shown at the meeting that the members are prepared to do their best during the coming season. There was a profit on the members' show which goes to the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund. A vote of thanks was accorded to the auditors, Messrs. H. Hobson and Varley. The question arrangement proved very interesting, and instructive. Various views were expounded as to dealing with egg-bound hens, and some of the hints should prove useful if required. Next meeting an egg food competition, members to bring their own utensils. Messrs. Bingham and Drabble have generously promised to pay for all eggs used, and will act as judges. Prize-money, 3s., 2s., 1s.; every member ought to be present, and show his method.—Mr. Williams, Penistone Road, elected a member.—E. Sisson, Assist. Sec.

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SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(Continued from page 141.)

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FEATHER plucking is mostly due to improper feeding, but may be caused by lack of occupation, parasites, or, more rarely by anxiety to breed where no opportunity is allowed of doing so. A feather-plucker should be placed on a plain diet of canary, millet, wheat, and oats, with dry bread and unlimited fruit and green food. It should be freely supplied with soft, rotten wood, and small branches to bite up and amuse itself with, and should be allowed as much freedom and exercise as possible. Baths should be freely supplied, and if the bird refuses to bathe it should be sprayed daily with quassia solution—a dessert spoonful of essence of quassia to a tumbler of tepid water where the presence of parasites is suspected. Liberty to roam at will with a cut wing in a large grass enclosure will cure the most inveterate feather-plucker that ever existed.

Loss of Feathers.—Apparently due to debility. The bird becomes entirely destitute both of down and feathers, the head being often the first part to become bare. The disease, which often renders its unfortunate victim a most grotesque and unsightly object, is generally very intractable. It is best to keep the patient fairly warm, allow it plenty of exercise and occupation, and feed it on a nourishing and varied diet. A few drops of Parrish's Chemical Food should be placed in the drinking water.

A Feather Trouble.

French Moult.—A popular term denoting a chronic inability to produce fully-developed feathers, particularly in the wings and tail, the bird being usually unable to fly more than a few yards owing to its primaries being very small and malformed. French moult is most commonly seen in Budgerigars which are the offspring of nearly-related, immature, or weakly parents, but it sometimes occurs among other species, and is often met with among Hooded Parrakeets which have been caught too young and received a severe check in their early youth. Treatment, which is seldom efficacious, should be the same as that recommended for birds suffering from loss of feathers.

Necrosis.—An infectious disease of a rather mysterious character, which attacks many birds and occasionally causes loss among members of the Parrot family: Roseate Cockatoos and Bourke's Parrakeets being the commonest victims. It is incurable and may assume either an acute or chronic form, the bird in the latter case becoming very emaciated.

Eye Disease.—An infectious disease of the eye, sometimes found among newly-imported King, Crimson-wing and *Polytelis* Parrakeets and certain Parrots, usually resulting in loss of sight; the eyes, in bad cases, becoming entirely closed up. The eyes may be bathed with warm water and directly afterwards with a diluted solution of rose-water and zinc. Cases of recovery are rare.

Egg-binding.—Usually the result of overfatness or an attempt to breed at a low temperature. Keep the bird very warm, and place a few drops of olive oil in the vent at fairly frequent intervals. Giving oil at the beak is naturally useless, but is sometimes done by those who are ignorant of avian anatomy.

Worms.—Parrots occasionally suffer from both round and tape worms, and these parasites, if allowed to increase unchecked, may cause the serious illness and even death of the bird. A dose of from 3 to 5 grains of cina given daily in the food or water will usually effect a cure.

Methods of Disinfection.

The subject of disease naturally leads to that of disinfection. For ordinary, everyday use, Condy's Fluid makes a harmless and satisfactory wash. But ordinary disinfectant fluids are not of the smallest avail in dealing with the germs of the more dangerous diseases. A Parrot cage, which has been occupied by a bird suffering from septic fever, for instance, should be scorched over with the flame of a painter's lamp and afterwards soaked in strong carbolic, finally receiving a wash of plain water to remove any trace of the poison which may cling to the perch or bars. A small indoor aviary should, as far as possible, be subjected to the same treatment as a cage, but an outdoor aviary containing earth and grass is far more difficult to deal with. For the disinfection of an outdoor aviary, or indeed any large area of ground containing avian disease germs, nothing gives such satisfactory results as common salt applied at the rate of three cwt. or more to the acre. Gaslime or soot are also useful, but as the former is rather poisonous, the birds should be removed for several weeks after it has been applied, and not returned until it has become thoroughly dissolved and washed into the soil by the rain, a process which may be accelerated by digging it in. Ordinary lime is absolutely useless as a disinfectant. It does not even kill parasitic worms, and why it is so often recommended I cannot imagine.

Hints on Treatment.

Having so far dealt more or less generally with the Parrot family, I will, in conclusion, say something about certain individual species of the treatment and characteristics of which I have had some personal experience.

Amazon Parrots (*Chrysotis*) are, as I have said once before, especially suited to cage life, birds of no species keep in finer plumage in close confinement, live longer, or appear more contented. Most Amazons, with the possible exception of the magnificent large island races, have a considerable talent for learning to talk, although the cocks are usually far better performers than their mates. Amazons quickly become attached to their owners and are extremely fond of being petted, though some are a little apt to give an unpleasantly sharp nip in moments of excitement. This weakness, together with a tendency to an over liberal use of their loud and raucous voices, constitutes their chief failing. In an aviary, my rather limited experience leads me to consider them far less quarrelsome than Parrakeets, and many species readily become inured to cold, the island forms being, I am told, the most delicate. When allowed complete liberty, they, as a rule, stay well, give little trouble and may often be safely released full-winged.

A Menu for Amazons.

Amazons should be fed on hemp, canary, millet, wheat, and oats, with fruit, dry bread and plain biscuit; they are usually free bathers. The sexes are very much alike in appearance, but the cock is in most cases a larger, bolder, and brighter-coloured bird than the hen, with a larger head and heavier beak. Amazons are less subject than most Parrots to infectious disease, a great advantage to those who have to buy their birds when newly-imported.

The Amusing Senegal.

Pœocephalus Parrots.—The best known member of this family is the Senegal, an active, amusing little bird, with (in the case of the cocks) a fair talent for talking. Its principal failings are a tendency to bite hard in moments of excitement and unprovoked annoyance, and a thin unpleasant scream, which however some individuals do not utter. It appears doubtful whether Senegals or any of their near relatives could be wintered altogether in an unheated aviary as, like many African Parrots, they appear to dislike very low temperatures. The food should be the same as that of an Amazon.

(To be continued.)

THE BREEDING AND REARING of CANARIES.

A Lecture by Mr. FRANK COLE to the New Cross C.B.S.

(Concluded from page 159).

GIVE a little hemp if the weather turns chilly; and a little maw and inga are excellent when the hen is about to lay. You can invariably tell when this may happen. The hen takes to her nest more regularly. Her body behind and between the legs is distended, and she looks slightly "soft." A teaspoonful of crushed egg-shells is very good for the hen at or just before this period, and is, in my opinion, a preventive of egg-binding. As most of you are no doubt aware, causes of egg-binding are weakness, want of sufficient material to form eggshell, etc. If from one cause or the other the hen is unable to properly coat her egg, then the hen will have considerable difficulty in passing it. On the other hand a properly formed egg, even if twice the normal size, does not appear to cause trouble. As a preventive, therefore, one must not pair up until one's hens are very forward. An extra month in the flight would be better, because I have found that an unlucky hen which has suffered in this way has often been useless for the rest of the season. This is not, however, one of my troubles in the breeding-room, and I only mention it in order to prevent you from hurrying your birds unduly.

Rearing the Young.

We must now assume that the eggs have been properly laid and the hen has sat for thirteen days. In the evening you must prepare some fresh egg-food. Half an egg and about one Osborne biscuit will be ample. The other half can be mixed up next day, unless you have other birds that need it. Give the birds a good teaspoonful, if both cock and hen are together, afterwards (when cleared up) half a teaspoonful will be sufficient. Little and often is the best maxim.

On the morning of the 14th day you should hear a faint "cheep," "cheep" coming from the nest. If you do, leave well alone. Don't try and force the hen off. Soon she must come off, and you can see how many chicks she has. I should have mentioned that when you give the egg-food on the 13th day the hen will nearly always come off. If she does, carefully lift the nest pan out, and sprinkle the eggs with tepid water. If, however, she has been using the bath during the previous few days, this will not be so necessary, although I think it is good to do it. I do not supply the bath to the hen during her first seven days of incubation.

As the Young Grow.

As the young grow, more egg-food may be given, watercress, or lettuce, a little hemp and soaked rape. If the hen does not feed well, a little maw seed may be added, but I think she is best without this stimulating seed, as it is apt to bring her on with eggs again. Care must be taken that the hen does not pluck the youngsters. A little watching will soon tell the tale. When this happens they should of course be put in a nursery cage, and hung on the outside of the breeder, or they may be put the other side of the partition. They will soon feed themselves, and when this is so they may be taken from their parents. Do not put them in a large cage at first, but feed them with the same items as their parents have been using—egg-food, hemp (which can be cracked) and soaked rape, with canary seed in the hopper. They will soon find this latter and then the other foods can be decreased in quantity; but do not leave them off entirely until after the moult.

Correspondence.

The Goldfinch and Its Bath.

Sir,—My Goldfinches won't bathe, so would some kind fancier inform me the best way of getting them to take to the bath while being kept in cages? I should also like to know the best treatment to moult them to get good plumage.

My Fancy.

A Scots Fancy Club for Ayrshire.

Sir,—For many years the Scotch Fancy has been dwindling to almost vanishing point, the reason, no doubt, being the stock getting into too few hands. To resuscitate the breeding of the Scots Fancy, it has been resolved to form a Club, confined to Ayrshire, and a meeting of those interested will be held in the George Hotel Kilmarnock, on Sat., March 27, at 6 p.m. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

Wm. Robertson.

Firbrae, Troon.

Two Interesting Points.

Sir,—Being greatly interested in the breeding of Mules and Hybrids and not so far having had much experience, I am writing to you for a little enlightenment. A gentleman who breeds birds in this district informed me the other day that last season he had a hen Canary in breeding condition. He put up with this hen, a British Goldfinch for one day, then changed his mind, took away the Finch, and ran a cock Canary with her until she laid. He informed me, the result was a nest of one Mule and three Canaries. I was inclined to doubt the tenacity of this statement, and I am now open to be convinced that such could happen. There is another thing that perplexes me, and the question is: Is it possible for a whole clutch of eggs to be fertilised before the first egg is laid; or is it a fact that each egg must be fertilised the day before laying? I shall be delighted to see in Cage Birds an answer to these enquiries.

Perplexed.

[We have ourselves had Mules and Canaries hatch out of the same clutch of eggs, under circumstances similar to those described by "Perplexed." It is quite possible for every egg of a clutch to prove fertile, although the cock bird is removed before the first egg is laid.—Editor.]

Four Eggs in Two Days.

Sir,—Would you insert the following in your valuable paper, Cage Birds, as I should say it is a record. The Canary hen belongs to friend of mine in this place (Parton), and I am wondering if any other reader has had a similar experience. This bird laid four eggs in two days before starting to sit on them.

D. Wilson.

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When Judges Disagree.

Sir,—I was very pleased to read Mr. Blake's remarks concerning Mr. Partlett's wonderful Canary-Bullfinch, "White Rose." Although I have never met the owner of this bird, I have every reason to believe that he is an honest fancier and a gentleman. We have had ample proof that the bird is genuine, and it has never been proved otherwise. I think it is the height of meanness for any man to hide behind a wall and sling mud at a brother fancier just because he happens to be more successful than us. I see no reason for doubting "White Rose's" parentage, and if I did I should never think of pulling a man to pieces until I could back myself up with proofs of my conviction. I hope "White Rose" will have the success it deserves for many more seasons, and that fanciers will try to beat it fairly and squarely, or not at all.

W. Hainsworth.

The Case for the Opposition.

Sir,—Your correspondent, Mr. R. Blake, states that he has taken a great interest in the correspondence concerning "White Rose," and yet his letter suggests that all fanciers who cannot accept it as a Canary Bullfinch allege that it is only a rare-feathered British Bird. His assumption is quite wrong, as it is generally admitted that it is a Hybrid. To observant fanciers, the stumbling block to accepting it as a Canary-Bullfinch is the very evident Greenfinch characteristics which it possesses, and which have never previously been seen in a Canary-Bullfinch. Mr. Blake asks, why are not some of the clear Mules kicked out, for being Canaries? Perhaps because they are Mules. It is a well-known fact, however, that dozens of alleged Clear Mules have been "kicked out," as he terms it, for being Canaries. Scarcely a show season passes without a few suffering. In fact so many alleged clear and lightly-marked Mules have been kicked out in recent years that it was quite recently suggested in the columns of Cage Birds that a special class should be provided for such birds! Mr. Blake then asks: Why should it not be possible to breed Canary-Bullfinch Mules with light feathers? I don't think anyone would be so rash as to say they cannot be bred. As a matter of fact, variegated Canary-Bullfinches were bred many years before the advent of "White Rose," but they showed the Canary and the Bullfinch only—no trace of Greenfinch about them, consequently their parentage was never doubted.

Patrick.

(Correspondence continued overleaf.)

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

The Production of Winning Yorkshires in the South.

Sir,—May I be permitted to thank the author of the notes on Mr. Dykes' green-marked yellow Yorkshire for his kindness in giving me the credit of breeding the bird. Needless to say, it was a very great pleasure to me to see that the bird had done so well for his new owner, and appreciating the difficulty of producing a really "top hole" specimen makes the achievement all the more gratifying to me. At the 1900 Palace Show I was purchasing birds from off the bench, when I was told by the most successful exhibitor of Yorkshires in London at that time that I would never do any good if that was the way I was going on. The variety down south has wonderfully improved since then, so much so that several birds have recently been sold to go North, one of them being the yellow cinnamon-marked hen which carried off premier honours at the Welsh National show for her new owners. For type she is probably the best of her variety living, and without doubt has secured more first prizes than any other hen of her time. I had the good fortune to breed her in 1910, and exhibited her at the Horticultural Hall, but not thinking her very robust, I catalogued her at £2—a very different figure to that at which she changed hands on the last occasion.

R. L. Crisp.

Mice and Rats in Aviaries and Birdrooms.

Sir,—I am still of the opinion that mice will not touch the birds (unless, as Mr. St. John said, the birds attack them, or there is nothing to eat). Still, even then I do not think a mouse could do the mischief that was done to mine in 1913. To my idea there is absolutely nothing that can be done to prevent mice getting in anywhere (I do not say "rats," I stipulate "mice") their bodies are so elastic that the smallest hole is large enough to admit them. Perhaps the following would interest readers. The other Monday I went into my outdoor aviary, and everything looked as usual, birds all right, etc. Just as I was coming out I noticed a piece of white cardboard placed across the opening of one of the cocoanut husks hung in a branch for my foreign birds. It reminded me of the piece of wood the mothers put across the door (in the country) to keep their little kiddies from running into the road. Being curious, I put my hand into the husk, and to my great astonishment found it beautifully warm inside. You can imagine my delight, as I thought one of my birds had given me a reward at last. But alas! as my hand went in out scooted a regiment of six young mice, like the Germans before the bayonets of the Allies, not even waiting to take their baggage with them. This is certainly a proof that mice do not injure the birds, when they even come and make their home in their very midst. I saw nothing of Mamma Mouse. She must have escaped by a hole which I found, on closer inspection, had been made at the back of the husk (exactly like a back-door). As for the Papa, I think he must have disappeared inside "Tiddles" (my cat), for I saw him ("Tiddles") looking very pleased with himself, sitting on the lawn, just outside the aviary, a short time after my discovery.

M. A. Feist-Madewell.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—It is with sincere regret that I note the apparent contempt of Mr. W. Spillman in reference to what I have written from time to time. Had I in my article assumed an almightiness, and declared my stock never produced any wasters, or insinuated my ways of success were not as those of other men, I would pass his reference with as much silent dignity as I could command; but inasmuch as I have always kept before my readers how modest my undertaking in the Fancy has been, and how manifold were my shortcomings, I do say, whilst not forbidding friendly criticism, that his remarks are sadly lacking in tone, and would have been better left unsaid. If he really intends to convey to readers and myself that his Plainheads do not contain any Crestbred or Lancashire blood, then allow me to say that I have in mind the knowledge of purchases and exchanges he has made of fresh blood, and which I defy him to prove were in each and every instance free from the blood of the crosses mentioned. Inasmuch as I know he cannot prove this, any more than I can with my own stock, I would warn beginners against his "red herring," which insinuates the Crestbred and Lancashire are not mainly responsible for the size in our breed.

As for his challenge, what a hollow roar it is. Who is to be the bold judge that will sort out the best current year stock birds? Upon what standard of excellence are they to be judged? Is his record with current year birds in open champion classes at the Plymouth show during the past seven or eight years so wretchedly poor that he fears to tackle me with the finished product of his incomparable stock and almighty brains? Inasmuch as the real worth of stock birds is not in what they appear, but in what they will produce, allow me to suggest to my critic that he amends his challenge upon the basis of show, and not stock, birds, of the current year, and if his conditions are reasonable I will accept with alacrity, even though my breeding stock is only eight hens and six cocks, but in which I will nevertheless put my trust, for in times of need they have never failed me, nor do I think will even now do so, just because the green-eyed monster has roused Mr. Spillman from his enforced lethargy and obscurity.

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—According to two of your correspondents I am wrong. They have, of course, as much right to their opinion as I have to mine. Mr. Fuller makes me say that the cross I advocate is the best. I only say that it is my opinion. Of course everyone must use discretion in working any cross. He says, why not advise breeders to breed from good Plainhead Norwich, as they were in my own young days? Such birds, I may say, would be useless, that is, if one has any ambition to produce winning specimens of to day. Mr. Pavey's advice is to stick to the Plainhead, using birds with large heads and full necks. Yes, they are what I want; but where do you get the large head and thick neck from? That is what I want to know. Mr. Clegg seems to desire the Ideal on paper; but I want to produce it in my cages. I have the bird I require strongly engraved upon my mind, and I want to get at the best method to manufacture it.

J. Bastock.

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CAGE BIRDS' ANNUAL FOR 1915

(See Notice on page 174).

The Heavily-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—I must say I entirely agree with H. J. Davies in sticking to his protest against the three winners being allowed to stand in this class. It is not a matter of sportsmanship or of the full pound of flesh, but is of vital importance to all exhibitors. The real question is: Are judges and committees to be allowed to alter the conditions of any class after the exhibits are at the shows? These exhibitors have been given an unfair advantage, not only over the other exhibitors in this class, but over all exhibitors of lightly-marked Norwich. During the last fifteen years I have made over 3,000 entries at live-stock shows, and have never heard of such a case before.

T. Patterson Riddle.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Henry J. Davis, we should like to inform him that we have not yet (up to the time of writing) received any prize-money from the Welsh National Society that we have not won. If he refers to Class 29, he is making a great mistake, as what we received in respect of the said class we duly won on the merits of our bird. If he can prove we have received any prize-money we have not won, we shall refund it with pleasure. Has he himself received any prize-money that his birds have not won?

Greaves & Richards.

Sir,—Let me inform Mr. Crawshaw that as I was not a visitor at the above show, so I could not very well walk into the Hon. Sec.'s office and lodge a protest. I have done the next best thing, namely, lodge an objection, and have returned the prize card and prize-money that were wrongfully awarded me. Will that suit you, Mr. Crawshaw? There the matter ends till the Committee decide what course to take. Now, Mr. Crawshaw, you have done as much exhibiting as almost any other fancier this season. Perhaps you will give me and others concerned the reason you entered those two birds in the heavy-marked class, when you could, as a matter of undisputed fact, have entered them in the lightly-marked class. There was no definition in the latter as to the extent of markings, as was so distinctly made in class 29. Am I right in assuming that you were after the £7 10s. cup for most points in the Norwich classes, a valuable trophy that the Rev. Jolliffe so despises that he says you may have it, although the Rev. gentleman claims to have won it, and rightly so, too. Or did you, by mistake, enter in the heavy-marked class birds that were not eligible to compete? Your letter in last week's issue is plain proof that you are capable of understanding a schedule, including the rules. It is quite plain that you would have run against that famous saddle-marked buff and its stable companion, birds you perhaps could not beat.

Henry J. Davis.

[We have deleted one paragraph from the above letter, as we wish this correspondence to keep strictly to the point at issue.—Editor.]

Sir,—When "Exhibitor," "Another Exhibitor" and "Three Scotties" have the courage to attach their names to their contributions I shall be pleased to reply.

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—As an exhibitor in the heavily-marked class at the Welsh National show, I think Mr. Norman only did his duty in placing the matter before the exhibitors not able to get to the show. I am surprised that Mr. Allsopp should have to go and ask the officials' opinions before he knew what action to take, as the schedule read quite plainly: "This class means more dark than light." If exhibitors sent birds more light than dark then the fault was their own, and the birds should have been disqualified. I am sure Mr. Crawshaw is riding the wrong horse when he refers to rule 2 in this matter, as all exhibitors cannot get to the show to deposit their 5s. The main point is, why did not the judge use his power and disqualify? What is the use of putting a schedule out if the judge is not to go by it? Mr. Jolliffe says it was looked upon in a sportsmanlike way. He may think so, but other exhibitors don't. Does Mr. J. think exhibitors want to send birds out to shows to have "wrong class" birds placed before them? This is the situation.

H. Hathaway.

Sir,—Inasmuch as Class 29 reads "Heavily-marked, or variegated yellow or buff" (this class to mean more dark than light), and strictly does not admit birds such as those to which I awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes, perhaps my critic, Mr. Henry Davis, and others who declare the schedule was so plainly worded, will say what I should have done with the three or four self greens in the class, for after all such birds are not "variegated," nor "heavily-marked." With these disqualified as well, the class would have stood at six birds as eligible. What Mr. Davis may now consider is, whether the committee would have awarded full prize-money or not under the circumstances, and, if so, whether I should have exercised my prerogative and withheld the 1st, 2nd, and perhaps even the 3rd prizes, for lack of merit. At present he enjoys the tacit understanding, upon his own showing, of being a 1st-prize winner, with the 4th prize in cash. Perhaps the pushing home of the matter to a court of law may leave him considerably poorer than this.

E. W. Allsopp.

Border Fancies at the Horticultural Hall Show.

Sir,—It seems very late in the day to make any reference to the last Horticultural Hall Show, but it was not my good fortune to hear at the end of November what has come to my knowledge recently. As the outcome of conversations with one or two fanciers, may I ask Mr. D. Jenkins (who judged the Border Fancies at the above show) the following questions:—Did he, after judging, express the emphatic opinion to several fanciers present that several of the winning birds were "assisted" in colour? Was the bird he awarded three specials to (including the one for best Border in show) among those which were "assisted" in that way? Did he leave the bird cardless at Cardiff (when shown by another exhibitor) for the above alleged reason? I am not one of those who believe in judge-baiting; far from it. Neither am I a "disappointed exhibitor," but I shall certainly be a disappointed Border fancier if this matter is not cleared up. Whilst the present state of things lasts a stigma must of necessity rest upon the exhibitors of the birds in question. As this is in no way a personal matter, but one that all Border men must be interested in, I will, for the present, merely sign myself,

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Proposed alterations: Add to Rule 7, "No society to receive more in delegates' travelling expenses than they pay to the Union as members' fees"; for 97, against 106.

Add to Rule 18: "Any novice going in partnership with a champion exhibitor shall be deemed a champion when they dissolve partnership"; for 166, against 22.

Alter last par of Rule 19 to: "Any bird so disqualified to be sealed immediately and removed from the show room into the secretary's charge, and detained during the pleasure of the Council"; for 212, against 2.

Delete from Rule 33 the words, "five months"; for 132, against 59.

Proposed new Rules: (1) "No affiliated society shall hold a members' show during the hours an open Union show is in progress"; for 88, against 124; (2) "That there be a uniform subscription within a radius of five miles of Bradford"; for 87, against 85; (3) "That the list of Yorkshire Union shows shall be so arranged as to leave a vacant date the week before and the week following the Bradford National Show"; for 169, against 30.

[We have checked the ballot papers and found the above figures correct. We regret that by an inadvertence these results were not published in our last issue.—Editor "Cage Birds."]

MACCLESFIELD C.B.C.

Pair show, Daybrook Street School, Mar. 4; a fair number of birds were brought down, competition being very keen. Mr. H. Hall judged. CHAMP. (18): 1, c, Barrett; 2, 3, vhc, Lee; hc, Steel. NOV. (13): 1, 3, Moores; 2, vhc, Walker; hc, Jackson; ex vhc, c, Ratcliffe. Members and friends, please don't forget supper, Mar. 20, seven o'clock prompt. —H. Hall, Hon. Sec.

OXFORD C.B.S.

Annual pair show, Mar. 4, a fair number present. Mr. T. W. Wren judged. NOR. YELL. CK., BUFF HEN: 1, Lewin; 2, 3, Lees. — B.C., Y.H.: 1, Lewin; 2, 3, Lees. A.O.V.: 1, Gough. AMAT. NOR.: 1, 3, Wood; 2, Simms. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Gough; 3, Lees. AMAT.: 1, Simms; 2, King.—A. F. Fifield.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

ELVET.

Linnet contest, Black Horse Inn, Mar. 13; 23 birds entered. 1, 2, J. Walker; 3, Boyde. T. Burnside judged.

CASTLEFORD.

Contest sing, George and Dragon, Mar. 13, for 4 prizes: 1, Morley, 135; 2, Wainwright, 98; 3, Smith, 81; 4, Williams, 73. Mar. 14, for 3 prizes: 1, Morley; 2, Plows; 3, Caddy.—S. Morley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, headquarters, Commercial Hotel, March 13. 19 birds entered. 1, 3, Collinson; 2, Plows. Timekeepers, A. Bath, O. Potter; tappers, J. Wallis, W. Perkin.—R. Plows, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Linnet contest, open, Commercial Hotel, New Street, five minutes times singing, Mar. 13; 16 entered. 1, 2, Hardman, 12.59, 3.36; 3, Cawthorne, 3.6. Mar. 14, five minutes time sing; 1, 2, Hardman, 4.10, 4.5; 3, Irish Johnny, 3.18; 4, Armitage, 1.57.—J. Hardman, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair (club sing), Mar. 13; 26 birds entered for three prizes, four minutes time, and some good singing was done. 1, Pugh, 153; 2, Piper, 136; 3, Scottson, 120. Open sing Mar. 14; 30 entered for three prizes. 1, 2, Piper, 87, 67; 3, shared Beard and Pugh, 70. Biggest break this week, T. Piper, 53.—S. Pugh, Sec.

TYLDESLEY.

Open contest for time, Queen's Hotel, Mar. 12; 23 entered and some good singing was done. 1, Seddon, 223 secs.; 2, Fairhurst, 211; 3, Newton, 134; 4, Litherland, 113. Timers, Partington and Newton. Tappers, Bates and Forshaw. Minute man, Disley. Bird man, Morris. Open contest for time and quality at Leigh Mar. 20.—J. Litherland, Assist. Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, contest for quality Linnet singing, Mar. 13, 17 birds sang: 1, Bett; 2, Appleyard; 3, shared by Ward and Appleyard; judges Crane and Jennings. Mar. 14, 31 birds sang for four prizes: 1, G. Hirst; 2, Howarth; 3, 4, Appleyard; judges, Crane, Naylor, Butler.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing Linnet contest, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, Mar. 14; 19 good birds sang for 3 prizes: 1, Binns; 2, King; 3, Hullen. Judges, C. Clayton and J. Sellars.

LEEDS Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, March 14. 34 of the best birds in Yorkshire competed, and the singing was beautiful. 1, 4, Johnson; 2, Whitfield; 3, Banfield. Judges, P. Madden, A. Lorriman; timekeeper, C. Cooper.—A. Bryan, Sec.

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Club Reports.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.

Meeting, headquarters, Mar. 9, Mr. Massey chair, and a very large attendance. There was a lot of keen discussion as to what stand the club should take re P.R.C.C. rings and B.R.C.C. rings, and it was decided that members be allowed to please themselves which rings they used, as the club would recognise both. The open contest will be open to both sets of rings. Mr. Thos. Ormston was elected Assist. Sec. Four new members were made.—Jos. Kilshaw.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting Mar. 11, Oldham Hall, Mr. J. Abbott chair, and a good attendance. Letter read from Mr. W. R. Knowles expressing his regret for not being able to attend and give his lecture through illness. Syllabus was drawn up and several important items were introduced. Proposed that the points for season's specials be sectional, viz., Canaries and British; also that points gained at Pair Show will not count. Sec., was instructed to write to local societies re the annual amalgamated show.—T. R. Jones, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting, Mar. 13, with a fair attendance. Mr. T. Wilson elected member. Young Bird Show fixed for June 19, and Annual Show Oct. 30. Judges nominated: Young Bird Show, Messrs. A. Holden (Gateshead), J. Hands (Ryton), T. Dixon (Bedlington), W. Reid (Sunderland), J. Riseborough (Sunderland). Annual Show, A. Holden, J. Maddison, W. C. Duncan (Newcastle), J. Dixon (Wigton), F. Lawson (Carlisle), J. Riseborough and W. Reid (Sunderland). Decided that the position of chairman become purely honorary. Members are requested to look through "Club and Society Notices" for meetings of societies in which they are interested and to attend same.—G. F. Bates, Sec.

BRADFORD (West) C.B.A.

Annual tea and prize distribution, March 13th. About 50 sat down to tea. The social part of the programme turned out to be one of the best for some time past. The artistes included such talent as Mr. Starr, who kept them all alive with his "Wiga Waga," Mr. Bennett, Miss Lee, Mr. Medley, Mr. Robinson, Mr. E. Clegg, and Mr. Lee, all of whom rendered songs and received great applause. The most important item, however, was the prize distribution, and our Chairman, Mr. A. Whitley, came in for special approbation for the way in which he spoke and handed out the trophies, etc. Champ. Sec.: 1, E. Clegg, Payne cup and dinner set; 2, J. A. Whitwam, champ. cup; 3, N. Kirk. Nov.: 1, H. McEwen, novice cup; 2, F. P. Terry; 3, J. Ackroyd. A vote of thanks was accorded to the host and hostess, and to the artistes, who had provided us with a most enjoyable evening.—F. P. Terry, Sec.

NORTHERN YORKSHIRE C.B.S.

Annual meeting, called for 11th inst., had to be postponed, as there was not the required number present to form a quorum. The management have arranged for the meeting to take place at Shields Cafe, Big Market, March 24. Will members please attend, so that we may have the business of the past year confirmed, and arrangements made for the coming season. Financially, the club was never in a better position, having about £7 in hand. The following are the winners of the various competitions: Challenge cup, T. C. Crawhall; Ramsden's cup, J. Stewart; Crawhall cup, J. W. Witherley; 27 points; M. Coulson, 26; C. Cattell, 19; T. Hedley, 14. Winners of silver spoons: Newcastle, C. Cattell, T. Robinson; N.Y.C.C., T. C. Crawhall; M. Nattrass; Gateshead, R. Tindale, J. Willis; Sunderland, J. Stewart, W. Smith. Points gained over table shows for secretary's cup: T. C. Crawhall 112, C. Cattell 56, T. Hedley 55, J. W. Witherley 39, F. Mirley 38, R. Hutler 34, I. Smith 29, Wm. Fullerton 16, J. Baxter 14, F. Crossling 26, J. Willis 13.—R. Tindale, Hon. Sec.

GLASGOW (West End) C.B.C.

Meeting and show of Brit. Hardbills, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, Mar. 12, Vice-Pres. Mr. P. Allan presiding over a good attendance. Prize cards and specials for pairs show were given out to those present. New members enrolled: W. Jamieson, W. Halliday. Specials for British show were kindly given by Messrs. G. McGowan, G. Henderson, and P. Allan. A large number of visitors and friends attended the show, which totalled 44 entries, a record for these popular monthly shows. Quality was excellent, some stormers being forward, especially in the Goldf. or Bullf. class, where competition was very strong. Mr. J. Young (Rutherglen) judged, and gave satisfaction. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, sp, 4, Henderson; 2, 6, Stewart; 3, sp, M. Gown; 5, 7, Gillespie. Linnet: 1, Henderson; 2, Gillespie; 3, Proudfoot; 4, Mitchell; 5, Glass. Greenf.: 1, Henderson; 2, Allan; 3, 5, Glass; 4, Gillespie; 6, Campbell. Siskin or Twite: 1, 2, Henderson; 3, Booth; 4, Proudfoot; 5, Allan. Redpoll: 1, Henderson; 2, sp, Campbell; 3, Gillespie; 4, Proudfoot; 5, Glass. Chaffinch or Bramblef.: 1, Henderson; 2, Lunn; 3, Booth; 4, Bannerman; 5, Allan. Hens for Hyb. Breeding: 1, 2, 6, Proudfoot; 3, Henderson; 4, Mitchell; 5, Stewart. Next meeting and show of Brit. Softbills and Foreign, Apr. 9, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, at 8.—W. S. Proudfoot, Sec. and Treas.

NORTHERN BORDER FANCY C.C.

Annual general meeting, Mar. 3, Pillar's Cafe, Mr. J. Johnstone presiding. Sec. presented financial statement for 1914, which shows a balance of £2 15s. 2d. on the right side. Officers for 1915: Pres., M. C. Potts; Vice-Pres., J. Johnstone; Chair, A. Affleck; Vice, W. Affleck; Sec., C. Farrer; Committee, Messrs. W. Espie, G. Greenwell, W. Smith, A. Montgomery, T. Smith, J. Craig, T. Davidson, M. Cossar, T. Render, T. Parker, W. P. Snaith, G. Wilson, M. Smith; Auditors, W. Smith, A. Montgomery. Chairman presented prizes, etc., won over patronage shows. Silver medal winners: Champ. section: Newcastle, W. Espie; Gateshead, J. Nicholson; Sunderland, A. Montgomery; Novice: Newcastle, T. Smith; Gateshead, T. Render; Sunderland, T. Davidson. Best aggregate: Champ.: 1st, gold medal, J. Johnstone; 2nd, W. Espie. Novice: 1st, gold medal, T. Smith; 2nd, A. Affleck. Most points over table shows: Champ.: 1st, rose bowl, W. Smith. Novice: 1, A. Affleck; 2, T. Smith; 3, W. P. Snaith. Decided to extend the radius of the club to include Northumberland, Durham, Cumberland, Westmorland, Lancashire and Yorkshire. Fanciers residing in these counties are given a hearty invitation to become members. Annual subs., 2s. 6d. Meetings every month, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane. Further particulars from C. Farrer, 222, Jefferson Street, Newcastle upon-Tyne.

SPRINGBURN (Possil Park) C.B.C.

Meeting, Mr. A. Sloan chair, and good attendance of members. Judges for annual show selected. Show of British, Reid Hall. Mr. M. Craig judged. Linnet: 1, 2, Webster; 3, Clark; 4, Fraser; 5, Waugh. Mealy Redpoll or Twite: 1, Clark; 2, Webster. Lesser Redpoll: 1, Webster; 2, Clark. Buff Hen: 1, Webster; 2, Brown; 3, Clark; 4, Fraser. A.O. Brit. Hen: Webster.—J. Waugh, Sec.

EDINBURGH WESTERN O.S.

Meeting, Riego Street Hall, March 4, Mr. Audrew presiding over a good attendance. Report from the Edinburgh Club was read, and it was agreed to minimise the advertisements in catalogue, also to do without complimentary tickets. The table show was then gone on. Mr. R. Craig judged, and gave entire satisfaction. Bord.: 1, Rodger; 2, Cockburn; 3, Andrew. Pairs: 1, 3, Rodger; 2, Windram. Nor.: 1, Brown; 2, Samuel. Pairs: 1, Ballantine. Brit.: 1, Clark. Muling Pairs: 1, Hogg.—C. Grant, Sec.

LOANHEAD C.B.S.

Meeting Mason's Arms, March 13, Mr. W. H. Nelson, vice-pres., presided over a good attendance. Decided to have three judges, and sec. was left with three nominated for each section to be written in order as voted, judges' names to be published on accepting. Decided to admit new members up to the end of April. Fanciers residing inside 10 miles radius can get copy of rules on application to the sec., at 13, High Street, Loanhead. Members elected: Messrs. J. King, A. Douglas, R. Miller, and A. Bell. Vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.—W. B. Smart, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR (Social Club).

Meeting, March 14, Mr. Taylor chair, and a good attendance of members, some that we have not seen for a long time. Messrs. Dixon, Bedlington, and M. Hodgson, West Pelton, were elected judges for show, Nov. 6. There was a big discussion about members showing in partnership, and it was left over till our next meeting, so as to give members who are in partnership a chance. If secs. of other Workmen's Clubs would avoid clashing their meetings it would be better for all, as many of our members are members of other societies.—Geo. Lane, Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting, Gardner's Restaurant, with a good attendance, was full of interest, Mr. Ireland giving a washing exhibition, which was enjoyed by all. We also had a novices' washing competition. This was very amusing and much appreciated by the novices. We were pleased to have a visit from an old member who has been away in America for some years. Table show for Brit., next meeting night, Mar. 24, Mr. Merella, from America, judge. New members were enrolled, also Mr. Gardner as hon. member. Nomination money came in fairly well. Members kindly note it is now overdue.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Mar. 6, Co-operative Hall, Low, Westwood, Mr. Geo. Barkess chair, and a fair turnout of members. Result of table show, which Mr. Wm. Curry judged very well. Nor. Hen: 1, 2, Barkess; 3, Campbell. Goldf.: 1, Jameson and Johnson; 2, 3, Barkess. Siskin, etc.: 1, Barkess. A.O.V.: 1, Jameson and Johnson; 2, Barkess. Decided to put next meeting back to the second week in April to allow of Mr. Jos. Lindsay, our late sec., to judge table show, with the following classes: Mule or Hyb. pair, Linnet, and A.O.V. Finch or Bunting. Previous winners barred. Special for most points. Trusting members will bring a few birds and give our worthy friend a good night's work.—Jameson and Johnson.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Meeting, Mar. 6, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C. Mr. R. J. Pretty presided. Mr. G. R. Davey was proposed for membership. Mr. J. Robson gave a lecture on Canary breeding, with full details of starting Canary breeding, getting room ready, its best aspect, pairing up the birds, and how to feed them in the breeding season. Afterwards a lengthy discussion took place and plenty of questions were asked, which Mr. Robson suitably answered. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Robson for his interesting and instructing lecture. Vote of thanks to chair brought a pleasant evening to a close. British bird show will be held Mar. 20, at the above hotel, Mr. A. J. Marley judge. Show opens at 7. Fanciers and friends will receive a hearty welcome.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN BRITISH M. & F.B.C.

Meeting, Mar. 6, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, Newcastle. Classes for next table show, the final: Linnet, Greenf., Goldf. or Bullf., Siskin, Redpoll or Twite, A.O.V.. Pairs for Mule or Hyb. breeding, Mules, For. Mr. J. Maddison judge. Members please note our next meeting is the annual, for election of officials, etc., Mar. 28, Shield's Cafe, at 7.30. Members elected: Mr. Heslop, Mr. J. Johnson. I will be pleased to hear from any Northern fancier who would like to join, annual sub. 2/6. We provide three cups and three medals for competition amongst our members at each show, where our patronage is granted. Further particulars on application. Table show was held, Mr. Chris. Waters, Sunderland, judged, his awards gave every satisfaction. Linnet: 1, Bertram; 2, Hooper. Greenf.: 1, Pettersson; 2, Bertram; 3, Voutt; 4, Hooper. Siskin, Etc.: 1, 2, Hooper. A.O.V.: 1, Bertram; 2, Pettersson; 3, vhc, Hooper; 4, hc, Almond. For.: 1, Pettersson; 2, 3, Voutt. As the next show is the final for the cup given by Mr. R. Tindall, I hope members will bring as many birds as possible. Mr. Pettersson is giving a special for most points in Foreign, donor not competing; 2s. 6d. given by Sec. for most points in British. Vote of thanks to Mr. Waters for judging brought a pleasant meeting to a close.—W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh place, Newcastle.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

YORKSHIRE HEN LAZY (Novice, J. W.).—In addition to the staple diet of plain canary seed give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four or five drops of sherry mixed in it twice a week, and on two other days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and rape. Give three crisp young leaves of dandelion daily. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon-juice every second day for a week. In the second week give instead four drops each tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the dosage of the first two weeks.

NORWICH NOT SINGING (W. J. B.).—(1) The wheezing noise in the throat is rather significant of bronchial trouble. You must see that this and its exciting cause are removed before you can expect any real improvement. Keep it in a comfortable place, not necessarily very warm, but fairly equable, and quite free from extremes of heat and cold, fumes from burning lights in the evenings, or direct cold draughts. In addition to the seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days add to the water 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece, and shake well together. (2) See that these young cocks are kept in healthful surroundings as suggested above. In addition to the seed diet give every second day for a week a morsel of bread and milk lightly dusted with soft sugar. Give two crisp, young leaves of dandelion daily, and in the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea for three consecutive days, and then every second day for the rest of the week. In the following week give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid.

NOW MOULTING (Roller).—Keep the bird in a fairly warm temperature, but do not overdo it, and see that it is as equable as you can get it. Throw a light cover over the cage until the feathers have ceased dropping. Continue the general treatment advised in last reply, but instead of the bread and milk give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day. On the alternate days add to the water 20 drops of a mixture made by dissolving half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, and adding a teaspoonful of glycerine. Continue this treatment until a week or so after the feathers have quite ceased dropping.

CONCERNING NORWICH (J. W.).—(1) Much of the increase in size accruing from the system of double-bulling is undoubtedly more apparent than real, being largely due to the great increase in quantity and substance of feather. But there is also a real increase in substance of body. The real object is to keep both points in view, and not be misled by the apparent increase in size which is due to a mere increase in quantity of feather. (2) It may be taken as a general rule that in double bulling no yellows are produced. There are cases on record in which it is claimed yellows have been bred from two buffs, but such an occurrence in any case must be extremely rare. (3) Quality, as a term applied to feather, is that indefinable something which places the feather above the common run. It is soft and silky to the touch, close and fine in texture, carries a natural polish, or sheen, and fits the bird "like a glove." Figuratively speaking, it is as the difference between a silken and linen handkerchief, or between broadcloth and shoddy, to mention extremes, as there are, of course, all grades of quality in both good and bad. Neither "fringes" nor "frosting" have necessarily any connection with this feature of "quality." "Fringes" are a usual accompaniment of too profuse feather, though such feather may be of either good or bad quality, and the same may be said of "frosting." A yellow bird, with no frosting at all, may still be of excellent quality. So far as I can understand your sketches, the types of "fringes" you refer to are simply differences in quantity of feather. (4) A bird has too much feather when the plumage is so profuse that, on a bird in good condition of body, it fails to fit, so to speak, and hangs around the thighs, wings, or root of tail in ragged fringes, or maybe forms folds on the back. (5) In certain moods every Plainhead has the power to raise its head feathers quite irrespective of quantity. It has nothing whatever to do with typical features.

MISS STAMPER.—Replied to by post.

WEAK ON LEGS (W. W. Roby).—Possibly the legs are a little inflamed, though you do not say so. You should not keep the bird hanging in a window, as there the draughts are often very injurious to the bird in many ways; and even if the window is one that does not open, the fluctuations of temperature are practically always so violent as to be quite as injurious as actual draughts. Keep it in a bright and cheerful place further in the room, out of the way of direct draughts, and where it is fairly equable. Bathe the legs once a day with a warm solution of boracic acid—a small teaspoonful of the acid to a saucerful of warm water—then dry gently, and anoint sparingly with Lanocyllin ointment. In addition to the usual seed diet give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana. Give two young leaves of dandelion daily. In the drinking water add 20 drops of chemical food four times a week for a month.

BORDER AND ROLLER (Novice, G. M.).—(1) In addition to the staple diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake twice a week; on two other days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle and millet; and on two other days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame. Give a little crisp young dandelion daily. In the water add 20 drops of whisky, five of oxymel of squills, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a fortnight. It would also be an advantage to let the bird hear another vigorous singer. (2) Keep the Roller in a fairly warm place, not necessarily overheated, but quite free from cold direct draughts or rapid extremes of heat and cold. In addition to the staple diet give every second day for a fortnight half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia, and sweet spirits of nitre. Otherwise treat the same as advised for No. 1.

STILL ROOSTING (Novice).—Try the following treatment for a month, and if not then quite well, write again and report result. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. Twice a week give a pinch of summer rape, and give a liberal supply of green food daily—dandelion, watercress, young shoots of chickweed or groundsel. Limit the diet strictly to this. In the water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice every second day for a week. In the next week give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the dosage of the first two weeks in the same order.

NOT SITTING CLOSELY (W. H.).—Some hens will sit much better when the cock is removed, but unless this removal is made as soon as the hen begins to sit it is not always safe to attempt it afterwards, unless one knows the temperament of the hen, as some hens will absolutely refuse to sit at all if the cock is taken away some time after incubation has commenced. Unless the hen remains off the nest for quite inordinately long periods I would not advise you to worry about it, as a hen which seems to gad about in this way very often brings off her brood in fine condition, contrary to all expectations of the owner, who might have felt sure on many occasions that the eggs had been spoilt by exposure. The closest sitting hen is by no means always the best or most successful sitter, and it is always best to give the eggs of apparently careless sitters the benefit of any doubt, and allow them to sit out their full time. There is nothing you can do to force a hen to sit more closely against her will.

LOSS OF PLUMAGE (F. C.).—The swelling was undoubtedly an abnormal feather growth, and the subsequent loss of plumage shows that the bird is in a poor condition of health generally. Try the following for a month or so, but I am afraid you will find little improvement until the bird has a complete moult. Give a staple diet of three parts canary seed to one part summer rape mixed together. In addition, give separately every third day half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake lightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and sprinkled with maw seed. On the alternating days give first a morsel of banana, and next a half teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, linseed and broken groats. Give a fairly liberal supply of green salad daily—dandelion, watercress, or young groundsel. In the water add 20 drops of fluid magnesia every second day for a week, and after this give instead ten drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny piece every second day for a fortnight. Allow bird to bathe freely in mild weather.

A DOUBTFUL BREEDER (W. R. P.).—You may possibly get the hen in condition time enough to get one brood from her this season, but I doubt whether you will do any more. Place her in a comfortable and fairly equable temperature, free from direct draughts, and throw a light cover over the cage for a fortnight or so. Give, in addition to the staple of plain canary, a liberal supply of green food any kind except dandelion—and twice a week a small teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. In the water every second day for a week add ten drops of lemon-juice and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence. After this dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this in the water two days in every three for a fortnight. If she is not then quite tight in feather continue the latter mixture a little longer.

GROWTHS ON BACK (Novice, A. S.).—I suspect that the growths you mention are abnormal feather growths, and indicate an unhealthy condition in the system. I doubt whether the bird will be of much use for breeding this season. Give it a course of treatment the same as advised to "F. C." in this issue, and at the end of the fortnight of giving the potash mixture, you may go on and give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid daily for a week, to tone it up generally.

Canary Queries continued overleaf.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

(Continued from previous page.)

STILL MOULTING (E. L. S.).—Make yourself quite sure that the bird is not exposed to great changes of temperature, especially during the night. Instead of the sponge cake, etc., give now a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar twice a week only, and otherwise continue the same method of feeding as before. For three consecutive days add to the water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice, and after this give instead six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel every second day for a fortnight. If feathers still drop at the end of the fortnight, stop the drugs in the water for a week, and then resume them and give for another fortnight.

NOT SINGING (W.B.B.).—Your diet does not seem sufficiently nourishing, which may be the reason for the bird being so long coming out. Give a staple of two parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition give separately every third day a piece of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and on the intervening days give first a morsel of banana, and next a half teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, maw, niger, teazle, and gold of pleasure, and just a sprinkling of mustard seed. In the water give six drops of glycerine and ten of lemon juice every second day for a fortnight.

FEATHERS AND BEAK (J. T. L.).—(1) Your staple dietary is certainly faulty. Leave out the hemp entirely and substitute in its place an equal quantity of summer rape. If the feathers have all been plucked out of the bare places they will soon reappear without any further treatment when the bird is caged alone. Possibly she is getting forward in condition, so you can do no harm by adding ten drops of lemon juice and as much Epsom salts as will lie on a sixpence to the water every second day for a week. Also stop during that time all extras to the staple diet, and give a good sized spray of watercress every second day. (2) Touch the beak of Border cock three times weekly with Lanocyllin until quite healed. There is no reason why you should not breed with him, if in good health and condition when the time for mating arrives.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

THRUSH DOING BADLY (H. Willets).—You should procure our Nutshell booklet on the Thrush, 2½d. post free from this office, or 2d. from your local newsagent; it would give you all particulars as to treatment. What your bird should have now is an aperient, and a change of food. Give as much glauber salts as will cover a shilling dissolved in his drinking water, and let him have it for one day only, repeating the dose three days afterwards. The food you are giving him is all right as a change, and might be used twice a week. Procure some good insectile food as used for more delicate birds, and give this twice a week; the other days soak some good chicken meal in hot water, first adding to it a teaspoonful of meat meal, or pour over the whole of it a little hot gravy. Mix the insectile food with scraped raw carrot or boiled potato. Let him bathe on all fine days, and keep his cage thoroughly clean.

BREEDING THE CANARY-BULLFINCH (H. C. E. Mason).—Finches can be kept all the year round in a sheltered outside aviary. They can be turned in at the end of this month; see that their seed is placed so that the mice are unable to get at it. You can mate your young cock Canary with the hen Bullfinch. I think you are more likely to be successful in an ordinary breeding cage than in the aviary, but there is no reason why you should not try in the latter if you are disposed to do so. If you put them in the cage, you should supply a bunch of heather or rough twigs in one corner, and

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/8); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insecticvorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insecticvorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

place an old nest, small wicker cage, or ordinary nest box, in it, and give plenty of moss, hair, wool, etc., for her to build with. Keep all the perches low and cover the floor thickly with moss or sawdust, as she may not lay in the nest, but drop the eggs from the perch; these should be collected and placed under hen Canaries to incubate. Hen British birds are not particularly reliable as mothers; they will sometimes sit well and hatch, and occasionally rear the young, but the failures far exceed the successes. Anyway, if you do not care to try them in the cage, you may be fortunate with them in the aviary; in Hybrid-breeding success frequently comes when least expected. You do not give me the size of your aviary, so I cannot help you as to the number of birds it will hold, but whatever you do, do not overcrowd them.

LINNET TROUBLE (G. A. Shaw).—Giving plain canary will not assist your bird to recovery. Make up the following mixture: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape and linseed 1 part each, as a staple food. Make another mixture of gold of pleasure, niger, maw, plantain, sesame and thistle in equal quantities, say, 2oz. of each, and give a teaspoonful 3 days a week. Soak a little rape and teazle and offer a spoonful daily, or keep some damp until it germinates. Give 5 grains of Epsom Salts in the drinking water for one day only, and follow this up with a small teaspoonful of dandelion juice for a week. If he will eat soft food offer a little egg and biscuit. Boil all his drinking water and then give a teaspoonful of chemical food in 2oz. water. Use a glass or china drinker.

MAGPIES IN AVIARY (C. E. B.). It would not be safe to turn any other bird in with your Magpies; they are not to be trusted with anything alive. I have found the common box as useful as any evergreen where birds are kept, but it is very seldom birds in captivity will allow any kind of tree to flourish that they can get at. (2) If your Thrush is of the right sex, and healthy, it certainly should be singing a little by now; of course, it may be a bit backward, and as the days lengthen, and the sun shines, will probably reward you with song. add a little minced hard-boiled egg to his soft food occasionally, and give a few mealworms; these will help him immensely. (3) You should procure the Nutshell booklet on the Bullfinch, which will give you all particulars as to treatment. For staple food give four parts canary, two parts teazle, and one part summer rape, then make a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, maw and linseed, and give a spoonful twice a week. Offer a few good, sound sunflower seeds daily, and a piece of sweet apple or green-food. Hemp in any great quantity is certainly not good for him. When the summer comes you will be able to give him various kinds of fruit, to which the Bullfinch is very partial.

LOSING BULLFINCHES (W. A. S. Shaw).—I am sorry to hear of your loss, and as the symptoms in every case appear to be the same, it looks as though you have some infectious disease among them, or your treatment is causing them to go off with inflammation. I would advise you, if you have any more deaths, to send the body to Mr. Yates for post-mortem examination. Take each variety of your seeds separately, and thoroughly examine each in turn, by smell, taste, and touch, and if you do not consider either of them to be perfectly sweet do not use it. I would advise you to discontinue the use of millet, or only in small quantities; add one part of teazle to every three parts of canary, and be rather more liberal with sunflower, which is an excellent seed for Bullfinches. If you are not able to procure green-food yet, offer a piece of sweet apple or some sprouting seeds. If you have another bird ill, try a dusting of bismuth on a piece of bread scalded in hot milk. You should not mix up various subjects on the same sheet of paper, or they have to be separately copied out before they can be dealt with.

TREATMENT OF FRESHLY CAUGHT BIRDS (Bramblefinch).—The usual method is to get the birds fairly steady before turning them into a large flight. Steadiness is absolutely necessary in exhibition British birds, and I would therefore advise you to give them a week or so of cage life occasionally during the summer. This will in a way prepare them for the final steadying process in the autumn, when you will find them much more tractable than at any other time. Handle the cage frequently, giving the birds at the same time a grain or two of hemp or any seed they are particularly fond of. If you leave them quite wild until the moult, you will find some difficulty in keeping their plumage intact. (2) Feed your Bramblefinch as follows: Canary and teazle 4 parts, summer rape, charlock and linseed 1 part each. In addition give sunflower seed daily, a little hemp once a week, and a spoonful of good wild seed mixture twice a week. Insects should also be supplied, mealworms, flies, caterpillars, aphides, earwigs, etc., as obtainable. Many Brambles are of good natural colour, but this is frequently assisted by judicious colour feeding, although it is usually a somewhat difficult matter to get any of the Finches to take it. If one can manage to entice them to eat a little soft food it can generally be accomplished, or in the case of Brambles and Chaffinches smashed walnuts can be the medium; they should be given these until they partake freely, when a slight dusting of colour can be added and the strength increased as desired. Ground seeds or any other medium can be employed in the same manner. (3) The above will apply equally as well to your Linnet, but rich oily seeds, such as linseed, hemp, and rape generally cause them to get darker with caged life. Hemp seed should not be given in big quantities, a little lightly cracked and offered three times a week will soon bring him in stout song, particularly at this time of the year.

HEN GOLDFINCH IN BIRDROOM (G. I. H.).—I do not quite follow your question, as I see no reason why your hen Goldie should not be left in the bird-room. It would not hurt her. Why not get a mate for her and try for some Hybrids?

SEEDS AND AVIARY MATTERS (J. R. H.).—Dealing with your seeds first, your sample of canary, etc., does not appear to me to be exceptionally good as a mixture. It has far too much millet in it. Why not make up your own in the following manner: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, and summer rape 1 part; give this as staple food. Then make up another consisting of equal quantities of hemp, sunflower, maw, niger, gold of pleasure, and give twice a week, say, a spoonful to each bird. You could, if you felt disposed, increase the sunflower, as several birds eat it freely. The screenings simply contain one seed, charlock, and I would certainly advise you to limit the quantity, especially during the summer months, when better wild food is plentiful. As regards your failure in breeding I am inclined to think the great trouble is your excess of cock birds. You have about double as many as hens, therefore it is impossible for all of them to find partners, consequently they are jealous and quarrelsome, pulling nests to pieces and breaking eggs. I would advise you to take out some of them, for instance, the Chaffinches, Brambles and about four of the Linnets, then you could add a couple more hen Greenfinches and a hen Linnet. With this alteration I think you will do better, especially if you give egg food or some kind of soft food, such as Spratts' Cage Bird Food, adding to it a slice of stale bread, using the crumb only. Soak for half an hour in cold water, squeeze as dry as possible, and add the biscuit, making the mixture crumbly moist; a little moist sugar will improve it. You will find most of the birds in the aviary eat this mixture readily.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

PARRAKEET (W.P.).—Your bird is a Ring-necked Parrakeet; once it has settled down and become acclimatised the species is not at all delicate, and the temperature of any ordinary living-room will suffice. The cage should be placed where it will get light and air, yet be free from draught. The dietary should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit (according to its taste), a few nuts, dry crusts and biscuits; cuttlebone, grit and water to be always in the cage. It is well also to keep a piece of a natural branch in the cage, so that the bird may naturally exercise its mandibles in whittling it away. Seed mixture: One quart each canary, white millet and oats, one pint each hemp and sunflower seed—well mix and keep a supply in the cage. The talking capacity of the species varies, some being really comical birds and good talkers, others only uttering an occasional word. The routine of treatment is to keep the bird supplied with food as above, the cage and food vessels and perches strictly clean, and the bird free from draught. If the bird will bathe it should have a bath once a week in winter (tepid water), choosing a mild day, during the summer months it can be allowed to bathe daily if it so desires, but while the plumage is wet it should be protected from air currents and draught. If it will not bathe it must be lightly sprayed (once a week in winter, oftener in summer) with tepid water, using same precautions as for bathing. Do not allow it to become the least constipated, the bowels can easily be kept moving freely (not loose) by an occasional teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water.

FEATHER PLUCKER (E.S.).—As we have frequently said in this column, feather-plucking is almost incurable, and it is not at all surprising that there has been a relapse. You must recommence treatment at once, and in the end there may be a longer time between the relapses, and also a lessened severity, and in the end I hope a cessation. I would impress the importance of giving it a piece of a natural branch to cut up, this not only supplying occupation, but also natural exercise for the mandibles. Get a mixture of ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts, and

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

put 10 drops of this into the drinking water every other day for two or three weeks; it will do no harm, though it is quite probable that the noise is quite a natural one. With this addition the treatment already advised should be resumed. The bird has benefited, and you must hope for final cure, but there are almost certain to be further relapses before this is achieved. Presumably the bird is tame and quite settled; make its surroundings such that "cannot" is crowded out. I must also emphasise the importance of keeping the bowels moving quite freely, yet watery-looseness must be avoided.

THE MOULT (Kenmare).—The majority of foreign species go into mount in the late summer and autumn, but there are many species which go into eclipse plumage for the winter (off season) and don a gorgeous nuptial garment for the breeding season, but yours are not among the latter group. It is probably only the change of domicile which is causing the shedding of a few feathers. You have now nine birds in the cage, and two more ordered, and I consider that if you bought a cock Avadavat as opportunity offers your cage would be fully stocked. In such a space I do not suppose there will be any attempt to breed; let your order for Green Singing Finches stand as it is. The hen Java Sparrow is always more silent than the male, and one has a more wedge-shaped beak than her mate. "Foreign Birds for Beginners" will supply you with all the information you need for them. As soon as it is procurable free from frost supply seeding grass, chickweed, groundsel, etc. Your dietary is satisfactory.

NOT ABLE TO PERCH (H. G., Bolton).—You must tell me more about the bird, how you feed, and all you can as to its general condition, also how long you have had it. I do not for moment think the broken nail is the sole cause of it being unable to perch. As you refer to nothing else whatever I am helpless and quite unable to help you. Repeat query at once, and get our "Grey Parrot" Nutshell (2½d. post free from our Manager). If it is very weak in addition to ordinary diet give a little milk sop, adding a few drops of brandy or whiskey to the daily supply.

CALIFORNIAN QUAIL (A. Johnson).—It is quite possible that the Budgerigars and Cockateels will interrupt and disturb the incubating Quail. Your best procedure will be to put a heap of brushwood in one corner of covered flight, leaving it so that there is a hollow space at the back, and if the quail nest there all should be well; put a depth of several inches of sand under the brushwood. It will be best to let them take their own course, if they should refuse to sit, then you could hatch out the eggs under a Bantam fowl. You will have to supply gentles and live and preserved ants' eggs while the chicks are small, also insectile mixture and seed. Let them have an abundance of garden weeds to pick over as greenfood. They frequently lay about fifteen or more eggs before commencing to sit.

VIRGINIAN CARDINAL (A. E. Cartwright).—This is such a hardy species that your bird must have been kept where draught has played upon it. I have one that is at least ten years old, and it has been out of doors in my garden aviary, summer and winter, for the past five years, and the present trying wet sea on has not inconvenienced it in the least. If your bird has a roomy cage it can be kept in a cold room all the year round; its cage must be placed where it can get light and yet be free from draught. Tame your bird and give it a fly round the room daily, such will be better than drugs. If fed on canary, white millet and a few sunflower seeds, with ripe fruit, green food and a few insects you should not be troubled with disease.

BUDGERIGARS (J. B. Bellville).—You do not state how or where you are keeping them, but I am assuming they are in a cage. Our "Budgerigar" Nutshell, 2½d. post free, would help you. Put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water once a week, for a month or more, and twice a week put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water. Also give a slice of ripe apple for them to peck at, and as soon as flowering and seeding grass is obtainable free from frost, supply this ad lib. Budgerigars, hardy though they be, get out of condition as soon or sooner than any species I know of when kept in a small cage which allows of but limited exercise.

BUDGERIGARS WITH FINCHES (C. G. Quinton).—The Budgerigars will fare well enough, but there is a probability that sooner or later some of the Finches will be maimed, but as the latter are all largish robust species, the risk may not be a heavy one. Nevertheless, if you allow the Budgerigars to multiply there is sure to be disaster sooner or later. There are two alternatives before you, viz., to leave the Budgerigars where they are and remove the young as soon as they can feed for themselves, or to arrange a separate aviary for the Budgerigars and leave them to multiply at will, daily selling as you become overstocked the latter is the most satisfactory, then, if space permits, you could keep a pair each of Cockatiels and Lovebirds with the Budgerigars.

BUDGERIGARS AND FINCHES (Ormonde).—Budgerigars are not malicious, but they are very mischievous in their play. Finches, etc., often get a leg or wing badly damaged, and the mixture is certainly not advisable, but how can I give you a definite answer, for you neither state how or where you propose to keep them? What is only normal risk in a roomy aviary is almost certain disaster in a cage. In a roomy avairy there would not be much risk from a single pair, providing the young are removed as soon as they are able to fend for themselves. A single pair will breed, but they usually in such case take longer to settle down to nesting than where several pairs are kept together. They are a gregarious species, and are more prolific in a small flock than when kept in single pairs. The "Budgerigar" Nutshell, 2½d., post free from our Manager, would help you. Diet: Canary, white millet, spray millet and a few oats; also green food, grit, cuttlebone and water.

BANDED PARRAKEET (M.R.).—Personally, I am not prepossessed with this species as a pet; it is somewhat dull and uninteresting, and very few of them make talkers. It is more commonly sold as the Moustache Parraket, and it is undoubtedly handsome when in good condition, but for a finger-tame pet it is not comparable with the others named in your letter. Wait your opportunity and secure an Orange-flanked Parrakeet or a Canary-winged do., the former for preference, though all the genus Brotogerys, to which the above belong, soon become more or less tame.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

J. F. Robbins.—The catching of the Goldfinch in Middlesex is illegal at any period of the year.

J. Barlow.—Thanks for cutting, which we will utilise should space permit.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

H. C.M.—Enlargement of the liver, following on disease of that organ; it was quite four times its normal volume, and the affection must have had its origin in some irritant poison partaken of at some time. It was incurable.

E. M. Lomer.—Parrot died of pneumonia. Both lungs were very badly affected. The bird was otherwise in fine condition but very fat.

Dead.—Canary succumbed to a fit. There were haemorrhages on the surface of the brain. The bird otherwise was very healthy and in excellent condition.

Gerald E. Rattigan.—There was no suspicion of paint poisoning. Death occurred from a fit. There were two large blood extravasations on the surface of the brain.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Barrington & Choppington C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Social Club, 6.30. Election of officers for 1915.—H. Secly.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Forester's Arms, 7.30. Booking of hens, nominations of judges for annual show, and general business.—J. Stirling.

Bramley O.S.—Mar. 20, Carnival Room, 7. Pair show; staged 6.45; judging competition and other business.—F. Page.

Beamish C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Bird Inn, 7. Nominate judges and dates of N.F. and annual shows, and other important business.—J. H. Eliot.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Mar. 22, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, 8. Egg food competition. Interested visitors warmly welcomed.—V. Wynn.

Chester C.B.S.—Mar. 23, Boot Inn, Chester, 8.30. Arrangements for N.F. show and other important business.—H. Hibbert.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Black Swan, 7. Judges, corespondence, etc.—A. Walton.

Grimsby O.S.—Mar. 25, Slatter's Rooms, 8. Hyb. pairs and Brit. table show and general business. New members cordially invited.—J. T. Cotterill.

Glasgow C.B.A.—Mar. 23, Nelson Temperance Hotel, 7.30. Half-yearly meeting; classification; election of judges.—W. Hutchison.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Mar. 20, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Fixing date for F.F. show.—Geo. Vipond.

London Federation of C.B.S.—Mar. 26, the "El Vino," 3, Piccadilly Place, 8. Ordinary business; delegates please attend.—J. C. Birch.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Mar. 20, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., 7. Brit. bird show, judge, Mr. A. J. Marley. Fanciers and friends welcomed.—W. Gilbert.

Midland R.C.C.—Mar. 25, Seven Stars, Johns Lane, Wolverhampton, 8. Members requiring rings for 1915 please attend.—J. W. Thomson.

National B.B. & Mule Club.—Mar. 25, Feathers Hotel, Westminster, S.W., 8. General business.—E. Stephens.

Northern Norwich P.C.—Mar. 27, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Balance sheet, election of officers; specials given out; members and intending members please attend.—F. W. Laidlow.

National Green Marked Y.C.C.—Mar. 20, Market Tavern, Godwin Street, Bradford, 6. Distribution of prizes.—J. Chambers.

Northern Yorkshire C.C.—Mar. 24, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, 8. Balance-sheet, election of officers; programme for 1915.—R. Tindale.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Mar. 21, Alhambra Club-room, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. General business, etc. Subs due.—A. W. Newton.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Leitch's Burgh Arms, 6.30.—F. Baxter.

Stanley Empire Club.—Mar. 21, Club Hall, 6. Pen com., and annual meeting.—W. Elliott.

Stratford & E. London F.S.—Mar. 24, The Eagle Evening show; staged 7, close 9.30. Judge, A. Skinner. Certificates best Canary, best A.O.V. Entries, Monday next to—A. Wasey, 18, Buxton Road, Stratford.

Warrington C.B.S.—Blue Bell Salernoms, 8. Table show British and schedule, 1915.—H. Warburton. (Date not stated.—Ed.)

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Mar. 23, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Receive prize money. General bus.—W. G. Andrews.

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COCKATIELS wanted. Will give H.M. exhibition cock Chaffinch and cash for good birds, or sell 10/-; approval: Robinson, 35, Bridge End-rd., Grantham. (174)

WANTED, good air gun, or rifle, exchange fishing rod, camera, and accessories, or grand pair glasses in leather case, new condition: Dawson, Blyburgate, Beccles. (182)

CANARIES wanted, exchange post-card pocket camera, all accessories, new condition, cost 90/-, take plate or film, sell 50/-: Andrews, 50, West-st., Harrow. (175)

WANTED large, clean, healthy, colour-fed Norwich Plainheads, also cock Mules, on full song; any quantity bought for prompt cash: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (177)

BUYER for buff Belgian cock, last one, big winner and vhe Crystal Palace, two show cages and case, 30/- lot: Holliday, Rockholm, Vincent-av., Shirley, Southampton. (176)

WANTED, for outside aviaries, adult yellow, green hen Budgerigars, cock Goldfinches, Bullfinches, hen Canaries, fancy prices useless: "Auldonbank," Windsor-rd., Southport. (183)

BIRDS wanted, Siskins, Goldies, Bullies, Mules, Hybrids, cocks and hens, house-moulted or otherwise; prompt cash; reasonable: Banuister, 24, Hulme-st., Burnley. (184)

WANTED, gent's cycle, wood rims, 2 or 3-speed gear; exchange 7 volumes, Battles of Nineteenth Century, beautifully bound, cost £3 5s.: Adams, Valley Bridge, Scarborough. (181)

WANTED, four cock Canaries, full song; state lowest for cash, or exchange Scotch blankets, or new English silver watch; sell 25/-: Drummond, Hutcheson-st., Glasgow. (162)

WANTED, offers in cock Canaries for new book, "Canaries, Hybrids, and British Birds," or would buy cock Canaries, cheap, Yorkshire or Norwich: Mrs. Swingler, 152, Liverpool-st., Salford. (182)

WILL buy for cash any quantity hen Goldfinch Mules, 1 each; hen Canaries, 1/3; all kinds of British birds, cocks or hens; write stating prices: Holyar, 55, Patmos-rd., North Brixton. (185)

WANTED, offers in Norwich or Yorkshires for four Black Minorca hens, 1913, pure Knowles Morgan's, cost 45/-; approval each way, yours first: Caretaker, St. Albans, Dyrdoke-st., Birmingham. (180)

WANTED, 100 pairs Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancies, Rollers; also Goldfinches, Bullfinches and Mules; must be reasonable; cash sent with order: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (139)

WANTED for export, surplus stock of Yorkshires and Norwich, in small or large lots, for cash; will give 7/- to 8/- a pair for good birds; colour-fed or natural colour: J. Taylor, 126, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (173)

WANTED, any quantity Canaries, any variety, good price given for good healthy birds; also cock Goldfinch Mules on full song, I will give 6/- each; deposit with Editor: Roberts' Buildings, The Liverpool Bird Market. (180)

WANTED, Canaries, surplus stock, healthy Norwich and Yorkshires, cocks and hens for cash, fair price given, deposit, business straightforward, same address 22 years: G. Smith, Central Bird Stores, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (175)

WANTED, bedding, watch, or 1914 Yorkshires, or anything useful; exchange 1 cock and 3 hens, Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, 1914 bred, Randall's, Whittaker's strain, sell 30/- cash; yours first: 7, Wellington-st., Westhoughton. (175)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules, give 1/3 each; good Norwich and Yorkshire hens, 24/- dozen; ordinary hens, 18/- dozen; Linnets and Goldfinches wanted, buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 267, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (174)

NOTICE; wanted, Norwich, Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules, any quantity, full market price, spot cash on receipt of birds, or deposit with "Cage Birds"; straightforward dealings only: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (184)

WANTED, Border Fancies, colour-fed Norwich and Yorkshire, any quantity, any quality, good prices for good stock; state prices and particulars; also Parrots, dogs, mice, and birds and animals of any description; state prices in all cases: Wilson, Scotland's Largest Naturalists, Argyle-st., Glasgow

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

WANTED, 1,000

High-class Norwich and Yorkshires, for shop sale, at the following prices, 8/- a pair for big colour-fed Norwich, must be good type birds, cocks to be in full song; 7/- a pair for good colour-fed Yorkshires; 5/- each for cock Goldfinch Mules, in full song; 1/- each for hen Mules, and 21/- dozen for hen Canaries; for prompt cash per return; references, Editor or bankers, London, City, Midland Bank, Bethnal Green Branch; stamped envelope reply to the Original: Enock Power, The largest Importer and Exporter in Great Britain; no connection with any other of the same name. Note the address— 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Wanted, Hen Canaries

24/- per dozen for good class Norwich and Yorkshire, 18/- doz. for ordinary hens, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

of colour-fed Norwich and Yorkshires and cock Goldfinch Mules for spot cash; best market prices given for good healthy birds; also odd hens; also buyer of Linnets, Goldfinches, Siskins, Bullfinches, Hawfinches, cocks or hens; cash by return; references Editor or bankers, London City Midland Bank, Bethnal Green-rd. branch: Enoch Power, Largest Bird Importers in Great Britain, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

CANARIES

Wanted, any quantity of Canaries, any variety; also cock Mules, good prices, cash, immediate birds arrive: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. Telegrams, Parrakeet; telephone, Central 689. (181)

Every Variety of Canary Wanted.

Will give 10/- per pair for good **Crests**, 8/- per pair for large **Colour-Fed Norwich**, 5/- each **cock Goldfinch Mules**. I also require **Yorkshires, Rollers, Cinnamons, Border Fancies, Scotch Fancies**, and **all other varieties** of Canaries or Mules. I will send cash first or will deposit cash with Editor. Send full particulars and stamp for reply.

H. GLEDHILL,
Fleet Lane, Queensbury, Bradford.

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

LARGE hen Hawfinch, F.M., 5/6, or exchange for healthy hen Siskin: Welsh, Reform-st., Stamford. (180)

EXHIBITION h.m. cock Hawfinch and show cage, 22/6; approval, deposit: D. Ray, Derwydd, Burry Port, Carm. (175)

EXCHANGE two good cock Bullies, one hen, two cock Linnets, for Norwich or Crested hen: H. Pinnell, Warminster. (184)

WANTED, a pair of Canaries, cock and hen; exchange real good cock Goldfinch: Ellis, Boot Manufacturer, Welshpool. (188)

GOOD pair of Norwich, 15/- pair; three hen Bullies, 1/- each; one house-moulted hen Goldfinch, 1/-: Cockram, Tatworth, Chard. (178)

COCK Linnet, 1913, Canary reared, healthy, exchange large yellow Norwich hen: T. Russell, 81, Back Brae, Kilsyth, N.B. (180)

EXCHANGE yellow cock Siskin, cock Redpoll, nice bill, cock Chaffinch, all h.m., for good pair Norwich: Russell, Hairdresser, Gosport. (X7)

EXCHANGE three cock Linnets for a good Norwich hen, sell 2/-, or what offers anything: Pratt, Market-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (186)

EXCHANGE British birds or choice flowering shrubs for good muzzle loader; offers; apply letter: Collins, Morchard Bishop, Devon. (182)

EXCHANGE twice house moulted cock Goldfinch, sure mules, for good 1914 variegated Norwich cock: E. Osborne, Swayfield, Grantham. (180)

WANTED, offers in cinnamon hen Canaries for 6 large British Goldfinches as caught: Wright, 11, Maunering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (183)

EXCHANGE two cocks, hand reared Larks, last years, for Norwich hens, or sell 7/6: Walls, 5, Dartmouth-rd., Bournbrook, Birmingham. (180)

EIGHT Scotch cock Linnets, 1/3 each; 4 cock Greenies, 6d. each; cock Bullie, 3/-; exchange Canaries: Wright, 14, Rosedale-st., Partick. (183)

TWO fine Aviary moulted cock Goldfinches; exchange a pair of Rollers or a pair of lady's boots; yours first: A. Draper, 55, North-st., Halstead, Essex. (172)

EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch and large Yellowhammer, will make good show bird, for pair Borders, or sell cheap: Bisset, 83, High-st., Fraserburgh. (181)

SALE or exchange, 4 two-year-old clean moulted call-bird Linnets, full song, £1; or laying pullets to value: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (181)

HENS: Bullfinch, Greenfinch, Goldfinch Mule, two good Canaries; cocks: Greenfinch, Bramblefinch, Chaffinch: Rhodes, 273, Stretford-rd., Manchester; offers wanted. (179)

EXCHANGE cock Goldie and hen Canary, both feeding, bred mules last year, for gent.'s gold ring, or sell 15/6, or offers; approval: Clough, 156, Moss-st., Blackburn. (181)

EXCHANGE two feeding hens for Goldfinch Mule or singing Goldfinch wanted. Black Minorca pullets or Leghorns, for cash: Pace, III, Haggerston-rd., Dalston, London. (181)

SIX Linnets, 6 Bramblefinches, 3 Chaffinches, Yellowhammer, Greenfinch cocks, 2 pairs Redpolls and hen Bullies; exchange Norwich hens, or offers: Ord, 9, Hopetown-lane, Darlington. (183)

FOR sale, make winners, Goldie-Greenie, Siskin Mule, Greenfinch Mule, Bramblefinch, Chaffinch; all house-moulted; 25/-, or exchange Canaries: Strafford, Exhibitor, 86, Wellington-st., Gorton, Manchester. (181)

TWO house moulted Greenfinches paired hen Bullfinches, brilliant Goldfinch paired hen Bullfinch, Goldfinch mated yellow Norwich hen, winning Linnet, yellow Norwich hen, winning Bramble, Greenfinch hen, exhibition cock Hawfinch, 35/- lot; exchange motor cycle parts, belts: Goodenham, Cla. High-st., Stamford. (185)

Mainly Canaries.

THREE Yorks. cocks, exchange for Yorks. hens, or Fronts: Howard, 6, Albert-st., Canton, Cardiff. (181)

WILL give 2 good Buff Yorkshire hens for yellow or yellow-mark cock: J. Richmond, Pateley Bridge. (186)

EXCHANGE 3 Yorkshire cocks, 1 hen, for pair of good Rollers: D. Lough, Burnopfield, Co. Durham. (173)

EXCHANGE good Yorkshire cock, value 10/-, for set of photographic utensils: Pritchards, 34, Hill-top, Rochesford. (175)

EXCHANGE three Border hens for Border cock or other songster; sell, 3/- each; offers: 126, Lee-rd., Blackheath. (185)

EXCHANGE well bred 1913 Crest-bred cock, for three pullets, sell 15/6: Young, 76, Newbury-rd., Bromley, Kent. (184)

EXCHANGE live working homers, good strains, for hen Canaries; approval: P. Jones, 4, Bywaters Row, Abertillery. (172)

NEW pair gent's brown boots, size 10, good suit length cloth; exchange songsters: Russon, 8, Colville-st., Burnley. (180)

EXCHANGE prize bred Yorkshire hens for sitting of Minorca eggs: Robinson, 44, Cromer-st., May Bank, Stoke-on-Trent. (186)

GOOD unflighted buff Norwich cock, 12/6; or exchange good buff unflighted hen: E. Garrett, 6, Urban-terrace, Brentwood. (181)

WHAT offers in Norwich for good bred Spaniel dog, broke to gun, or sell 30/-: Willday, 50, Heath-rd., Swan Lane, Coventry. (173)

EXCHANGE a long slim Yorkshire hen for a good large buff Norwich hen (var. or clear); yours first: Pillans, Grocer, Burntisland. (183)

1914, four variegated hens Canaries for sale, or exchange for one York hen: Wilson, Marholm, Peterborough, North Hants. (173)

WHAT offers in Yorkshire Canaries in exchange for pair of yellow or black Baldpates, sell £1 pair: Simpson, Ironmonger, Otley. (184)

EXCHANGE good Yorkshire hen, yellow, for good cock Bullfinch: E. Carroll, 18, Robert-st., Oldham-rd., Failsworth, Manchester. (179)

EXCHANGE three buff Yorkshire hens for buff cock, in full song; cold-room: Jackson, Kershaw-lane, Audenshaw, Manchester. (176)

WANTED, good yellow Yorkshire hen; exchange marked yellow Norwich cock, sell 12/6: A. Goodacre, Sleaford-rd., Boston, Lincs. (180)

EXCHANGE, 7in. yellow Yorkshire cock for two typical yellow hens, or yellow Norwich stock cock: Oakley, 62, Renny-rd., Portsmouth. (175)

NORWICH, two grand yellow cocks, 30/- exchange for two good yellow or buff hens to value: Dawson, 117, Primrose-st., Farnworth, Bolton. (184)

EXCHANGE one yellow, 1 cinnamon marked, 1 green Yorks. hens, for 2 good buff Yorks.; sell 12/-: Malone, 113, High-st., Jarrow. (180)

WANTED, good yellow Norwich cock, unflighted, approval; will give a pair winning Borders, value 15/-: John Williams, 116, Lee Green, S.E. (186)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires or Seifert Rollers for scrap brass, copper, solder, etc.: Murgatroyd, 5, Walker-place, Windhill, Shipley. (168)

EXCHANGE yellow Yorkshire cock for yellow variegated Norwich hen, or sell £1; approval both ways: Stephenson, Sun Inn, Flimby, Cumberland. (183)

EXCHANGE variegated Goldfinch Mule cock for singing cock Canaries, or good Norwich hens, offers; sell, 15/-: Cruden, Hairdresser, Fraserburgh. (182)

EXCHANGE large variegated Crested hen for Norwich or Yorks. to value, or sell 21/-: Gill, Wharfedale View, Addingham, Ilkley, Yorks. (181)

UNFLIGHTED Norwich, one cock, 8/-, two hens 4/- each; exchange anything useful; offers: Simpson, Stirling Village, Bodam, Aberdeenshire. (181)

LARGE green Yorks. cock, yellow self B.L. rung 14, for sale or exchange, another variety, no Rollers, Loudon replies only: 29, Dearsfield-rd., Eltham, S.E. (174)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires or Siefert Rollers for scrap brass, copper, solder, block tin, etc.: B. Murgatroyd, 5, Walker-pl., Windhill, Shipley, Yorks. (181)

EXCHANGE 7 Rollers, hens, 1913-14, cold-room, for cycle tyres or inner tubes, 28 x 1½; yours first: J. Fraser, Brick Cottage, Craigellachie, Banffshire. (187)

EXCHANGE aviary, 32 x 14 x 36, breeding and singing cages for good Yorkshire cock and Norwich hen: Jones, 43, Balmoral-rd., Willesden Green. (187)

DARK variegated cock Goldfinch Mule, dark yellow ditto; exchange Norwich hens, yellow, buff; yours first; letters: Evans, 37, Tydraw-st., Port Talbot. (182)

EXCHANGE for anything useful, or reasonable offer, 2 cocks, 3 hen Canaries, various; 4 loose front enamel cages, 17 x 17: H. Roebuck, Thurlstone, Sheffield. (170)

SALE or exchange champion Yorkshires, four buff cocks and four buff hens, ready for breeding; exchange offers invited: Berry, 99, Selborne Grove, Keighley. (183)

WILL entertain anything useful in exchange for classical stock or exhibition Yorkshire and Norwich, from 15/- pair upwards: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (187)

TWO good stock or exhibition Norwich cocks, or one, if extra good, wanted; exchange cabin trunk, hand-sewn, never used, cost 35/-: Cox, 100, Bourne-st., Eastbourne. (176)

EXCHANGE buff hen, yellow hen Yorkshires, for Crestbred cock; two good buff hens Norwich for Crestbred cock, green or yellow marked: 7, Church-terrace, Helmington-row, Crook. (177)

EXCHANGE, unflighted buff Yorkshire cock, Ambler's, value £1, for good, typical Norwich hen or six healthy feeding hens; mutual approval: E. Price, Lower Soughton, Northop, Flintshire. (175)

EXCHANGE good green or cinnamon cock, yellow or buff, for good yellow Norwich hen, or clear buff Border cock or Roller cock, in song, or sell 7/6: M. Cossar, 268, Hamilton-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (168)

EXCHANGE two lovely yellow Yorkshire cocks, 1913 and 1914, good length and quality for a really good pair Rollers, cock must be in full song; approval: Pate, Wallis-st., Ramsbottom, Lancashire. (183)

TWO 1914 Yorkshire buff hens; ditto yellow Norwich; sell 4/- each; Borders, pairs 8/6; exchange for Foreign; wanted, yellow and green cock Budgerigars: J. Stables, South Market-st., Hetton-le-Hole, Durham. (180)

TWO large buff Norwich hens, well bred, breeding condition; exchange yellow cock, one yellow Border hen, two bulls, good birds; exchange yellow cock; approval with pleasure: J. W. Johnson, 33, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (175)

BIG unflighted wing marked buff hen, bred from winners, a bounty, only 15/-; two buff variegated unflighted hens, 6/6 each; or would exchange for new single breeders to value, 3-ply backs: R. Butler, jun., Newton, Alfreton. (185)

WANTED, lady's cycle for four good Roller cocks, B.R.C. rung, Harper and Cadman's strain, two cost £1 each, two 15/ each; employed on Government work, and no time for breeding; no rubbish offered or wanted: Thompson, Mansfield-place, Far Head Ingley, Leeds. (175)

GENUINE bargain; heavily feathered variegated Crestbred cock, 10/-; variegated Crest hen 7/-; two clear Crestbred hens, 5/- each; Yorkshire cock, with two hens, 9/-; large pair Bullfinches, 3/-; large pure Flemish does, in kindle, to winning buck, 12/-; three youngsters, grand colour, buck and two does, 6/-; prize buck, 8/-; one 4 months, 5/-; guaranteed healthy; exchange clothes, boots: Cunningham, Burfield Hall, Wymondham, Norfolk.

CLOTHING FOR CANARIES

Exceptional bargains, honest and straightforward dealing, guaranteed new clothing, hosiery, millinery, boots, curtains, household requisites, cycle tyres, and accessories, anything you need, in exchange for Canaries, Mules, etc.; state wants and offers: E. Victor, 18, Long-st., Hackney-rd., London, N.E. (153)

Mainly Foreign.

EXCHANGE Grey Parrot and cage for Toy Yorkshire dog, or sell 25/-: Daniel Evans, 55, Penycae, Port Talbot. (176)

EXCHANGE, Parrot cage, good condition, also quantity of hardheads, for hen Canaries: Gough, 79, Church-lane, Dinnington, Yorks. (182)

EXCHANGE Australian Grey Parrot, acclimatised and commencing to talk; with round metal cage, for two pairs of high-class Rollers; approval both ways; sell 30/-: Middleton, 66, Main-st., Mexbro'. (179)

SALE or exchange, young Amazon Green Parrakeet with large square cage, laughs, coughs, whistles, talks little, very tame, for gent's bicycle or high-class Norwich; what offers: Nokes, Hairdresser, Alma-st., Sheerness. (182)

Miscellaneous.

PAIR new cycling knicks, for cobby Norwich cock: Anstee, 28, Newcombe-rd., Luton. (182)

TWO ferrets; exchange air-gun or Canaries: Billingham, Victoria, Little Hill, Cradley. (187)

GRAMOPHONE and records, condition new; exchange Canaries; offers: Badland, 158, Huish, Yeovil. (177)

SEVEN healthy Yorkshire hens, bred 1914, 3/- each; reduction taken lot: Hartle, Peakdale, Stockport. (177)

WHAT offers in cage birds for Spaniel pup dog, six months old: Gwyther, 7, Cromwell-st., Merthyr Tydvil. (178)

EXCHANGE, telescope, for Roller cock, or sell for 12/6: W. R. Hansell, 6, Clarks-yard, Church-st., Whitby. (175)

TWO doe rabbits, 6 months in kindle, 5/-; exchange anything; offers: G. Simpson, Manor Farm, Holbeach. (176)

WHAT offers British or foreign, hard or softbills, for 28 x 1½ Dunlop tyre, sell 9/-: Hay, East-st., Chichester. (176)

HAND vacuum cleaner, new, cost 35/-; exchange Canary and cage: Haines, 19, High-st., Aston, Birmingham. (179)

EXCHANGE pair of white Pigmy Pouters, for Goldfinches, or Goldfinch Mules: Traylen, Akenham Hall, nr. Ipswich. (170)

WANTED, offers in Canaries; exchange pair Scotch woollen blankets, value 25/-, full size: Dawson, 689, Duke-st., Glasgow. (176)

EXCHANGE practically new lady's black beaver hat, cost 17/6, for Norwich cock Canary birds: 103, King's-rd., Kingston. (186)

EXCHANGE, 1 to 26 "Nutshell Booklets," new, for cock Siskin or Norwich hen: Huckle, 31, Gordon-rd., Kingston-on-Thames. (186)

LAYING pullets, incubator chicks, cock Canaries, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (185)

NOTICE! We want all kinds of livestock in exchange for cutlery and plate; write Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (183)

THREE 3-air rifle, 30 records; exchange anything photographic; yours first: Apply, Robert Lawton, Fleming-st., Barnsley. (181)

RAZORS, pair, splendid hollow ground, in case, 10/6; exchange song birds: Hutchins, 1, Cross Johnst., Victoria-rd., Leeds. (175)

BIRDCATCHER'S fine net, 8ft. by 8ft., fitted Sin. pockets, new, 7/-; or exchange: Sadler, 19, Commerce-rd., Wood Green. (176)

PAIR field-glasses, good, 8 new double-sided disc records, 8/- cash; wanted offer in cock Canaries: Norton, Winslow, Bucks. (174)

WHAT offers in Norwich Canaries or poultry for pen of Black-red Game Bantams: Caretaker, Sailor's Institute, Goole. (179)

EXCHANGE tennis racquet, as new, cost 25/-, for Canaries, 1 cock, rest hens: Robbins, River House, Devonshire Hill, Tottenham. (184)

TWO Golden Pheasant hens, 12/6 each; hybrid cock, 10/-; lot 30/-; bargain; exchange: Godward, Monson-rd., Tunbridge Wells. (186)

EXCHANGE two razors, in cases, for pair breeding Budgerigars: William Adamson, No. 10 Square, Hill of Beath, Fife, Scotland. (171)

WANTED cage birds, camera, anything useful, in exchange for pen of winning Black Pekins: Robb, Hairdresser, Crossgates, Fife. (184)

WILL exchange Canaries for camera, book or Canaries or British or Hybrids, or anything useful: See Mainly Canaries: Hawkes. (187)

GOLDEN Pheasant cock, runs with Bantam hen, perfect plumage, £1, or offer: Rev. Rudd, Gt. Stainton Rectory, Ferry Hill. (151)

SPANIEL bitch puppy, from pedigree stock for sale, or exchange pair Yorkshire Canaries: Reid, High-st., Eastmeon, Petersfield. (182)

EXCHANGE, gent's cycle, running order, Dunlop tyres, for gramaphone or Canaries: Heyworth, 4, Barlow-st., Hopwood, Heywood. (175)

EXCHANGE tin of aluminium paint, 12/6, and little cash, for good Roller cock; yours first: Hall, 21, James-st., Swansea, S. Wales. (179)

EXCHANGE large oil stove, with folding doors, 29in. by 15in., for good Yorkshire cock: Newman, 19, Western broadway, Hammersmith. (178)

EXCHANGE or sell Dutch rabbits, 5 does, 1 buck, also 1 lop doe, for Norwich Canaries: E. Taylor, North-rd., Royston, nr. Barnsley. (172)

THIRTY gramophone records, 18/6; flight cage, 4/-; exchange British or carpenter's tools: Rawlings, 19, Asteys Row, Islington, London. (181)

EXCHANGE oak roll-top desk, cost £5, for good Talking Parrot (Amazon or Grey) and cage: Bradley, 21, Stanway-rd., Coventry. (179)

WHAT offers in Canaries or cash for 2 pairs cycle tubes and tyres, beaded edge, nearly new, 28 x 1½: A. Bland, 9, Somersall-st., Mansfield. (179)

PAIR opera glasses, 2/-; 200 military crests, 2/-; 100 old coins 6/-; useful exchange, or Canaries: Middleton, 96, Northgate, Canterbury. (180)

CHOCOLATE crossbred Pomeranian, male, 5 months, sacrifice, 12/6; exchange Canaries; approval Lea, 55, Waterloo-square, Camberwell. (184)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, new condition; approval; exchange for cage birds, fowls, garden plants; offers: James, 3, Percival-st., E.C. (184)

PEDIGREE Black Pom dog, 18 months, house trained; exchange Canaries or foreign birds: The Bird Shop, Lowther Arcade, Harrogate. (181)

EGGS for sitting, Sicilian Buttercups (Toozes' direct), 7/6 doz.; Buff Rocks 5/-; exchange Canaries: March, Grocer, Lowtown, Pudsey. (21)

EXCHANGE Sandow's spring dumb-bells, 12/6, for cock Goldfinch Mule, or Linnet Mule; sell 6/6, or offer: Day, No. 15, Sandhurst-rd., Bedford. (176)

EXCHANGE hand-pegged hearthrug, value 17/6, nicely designed, for Canaries; offers: T. F. Jones, 38, Tavistock-st., Harpurhey, Manchester.

PEDIGREE black toy Pom dog, 4½ months, sound colour, 25/-; part exchange good pair, Norwich: Carnew, 40, Thornleigh-rd., Horfield, Bristol. (192)

LIVERINE

Cod liver oil, cage bird food, with added egg, new thing; we manufacture the oil; 2d., 1/6: Liverine, Grimsby.

WANTED; offers in Yorkshire Canaries, poultry, anything useful, for oil stove for a room, 7/6; Heavy Blankets, 26, Preston-st., Earlsheaton. (182)

FOR sale, silver keys, piccolo, 6/-; roach rod, winch, fittings and line, 5/-; exchange birds, fowl or offers: George Cole, 137, Wright'lane, Old Hill, Staffs. (176)

BOOTS. Any sort made to measure; wanted in exchange gent's dark blue secondhand suits, good quality: Roberts, 13, Broad-st., Northampton. (172)

FOUR ferrets, warranted good workers, healthy, 3/6 each; exchange cock Canaries, Mules or Goldfinches: W. Underwood, Metheringham, Lincoln. (180)

QUARTER-PLATE Klito camera and accessories, hold twelve plates, 12/6; stamp for particulars and photo: H. Richardson, 62, Fuller-st., Cleethorpes. (175)

WHAT offers; gent.'s Royal Enfield cycle, good condition, value 30/-; 1 doz. Yorkshire show cages, 12/-: Underwood, 36, York-st., Hulme, Manchester. (183)

POSTCARD folding camera, telescopic tripod, accessories, 45s.; gent's cycle, free wheel, 22s. 6d.; offers; part Norwich: Hayes, 1, Belvior-st., Huckhall.

TWO classical champion bred Dutch does and buck, price 17/6; exchange good Thrush and cage; must be in full song: Harrison, St. Mark's-st., Leeds. (179)

SPLENDID cock and hen Black Wyandotte Bantams, 7/6 the pair, laying; approval; exchange pair Yorkshire Canaries: Flower, Epworth, Doncaster. (179)

EXCHANGE good Modern Game Bantam, cockerel, 2 pullets, unrelated, for good buff Yorkshire cock, ready: T. Harding, 229, Two Mile Hill, Kingswood, Bristol. (183)

TWO grand Minorca hens, last year's, good combs and lobes, winning strain, sell 12/-; exchange anything useful; approval: R. Davey, 58, Union-st., Bridgwater. (181)

EXCHANGE No. 2 Brownie Kodak film camera, as new, cost guinea, for pair breeding Roller or Yorkshire Canaries; sell, 10/6: Ashton, 45, Berry-st., Preston. (173)

EXCHANGE large new flight cage, 36in. by 18ins., 20ins. high; what offers in fowls, or sale 15/-; mutual approval: Tarrant, Workman's Club, Pangbourne, Nr. Reading. (176)

WANTED, live stock in exchange for new 10-inch double-sided records; sell 10/- dozen; cycle tyres, covers, 7/6; tubes, 5/-: 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (155)

EXCHANGE six ivorine handled knives and six teaspoons, also pair sugar tongs, for one cock or three hen Canaries: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Philips-rd., Sheffield. (185)

PHONOGRAPH, with ear tubes, large brass and small horns, 50 records; exchange eight-day marble clock chime, or good winning Yorkshires: Snell, Rae Barn, Brixham, Devon. (178)

EXCHANGE nearly new baby car, also fox terrier puppy, fit to win, champion pedigree, for anything in trade, garden or birds: Drew, Plumber, Decorator, Penydarren, Merthyr. (187)

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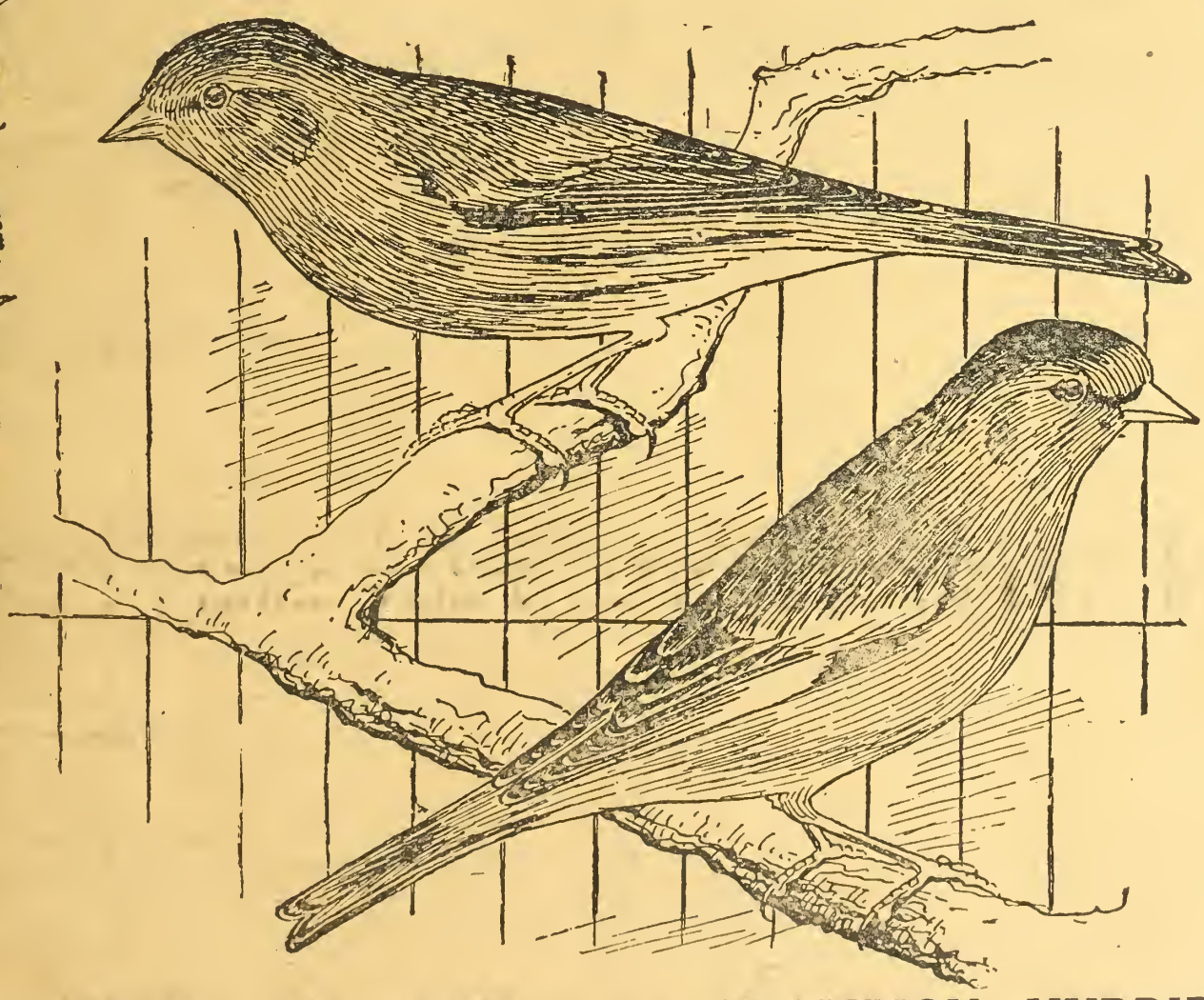

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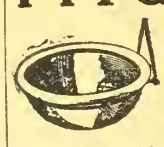

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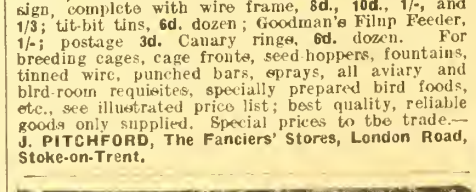
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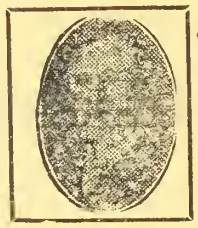

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Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perf ct feather and condition, and on full song, **6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Erect racy Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. Matched Breeding Pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES,** bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** each upwards.

MARCH, 1915. UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. MARCH, 1915.

The following testimonials, in addition to scores of others (which are always open for the inspection of my visitors) have been received during **March, 1915**:—"Heming Street, South Vancouver, Canada.—I received the 3 pairs **Yorkshires** in A1 condition, after a journey of 7,000 odd miles. They give me every satisfaction. I shall not regret having put my order in your hands. You shall have more orders for your honest trading.—S. Watters to Joe Thomas."

"4, Victoria Street, Caerau, Bridgend.—I received birds quite safe. I must say they are beauties and I am more than satisfied.—. Sparks to Joe Thomas."

High Street, Belfast.—Bird arrived safe and I am well pleased with same.—A. Purvis to Joe Thomas."

"Stanhope Street, Leeds.—Birds arrived safely. They are a grand pair and I am well satisfied.—J. Mundell to Joe Thomas."

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"Polmaise Place, Cowie, Stirling.—I got the birds all safe and am quite satisfied; and how quick you are to send the order when you get it!—J. Forsyth to Joe Thomas."

"Crossford, Dunfermline.—The **Pair Norwich** arrived safely. I am highly pleased with them. I will always recommend you to intending purchasers as a genuine gentleman to deal with. I have instructed Editor to forward you the cash deposited.—J. Lister to Joe Thomas."

Elson Villa, Ellesmere, Salop.—Birds arrived safely. I am very pleased with them. In dealing with you one gets **quality and cheapness combined**, and above all, **straightforward dealings.**—T. E Chetwood to Joe Thomas."

"5, Wemyss Place, Glasgow.—Received birds quite safe. They are a lovely pair. I am quite satisfied.—R. Buchanan to Joe Thomas."

"52, Treharne Street, Cwmpark.—Received Roller safe, singing in the pink. It is a treat to listen to it.—Jack Jones to Joe Thomas."

"49, Park Terrace, Tondu.—I received the **Border Fancies** quite safe and am very proud to have two such songsters in my house. They are both good; in fact, the best I have ever seen. They are a beautiful colour and sing, I think, better than the Rollers. I must say I can always depend on having a good bird from you each time. I have had dealings with over 20 bird fanciers but you have been the most honest of them all, and that's a big name. You are the only man that has satisfied my wants, and when you can do that you can do a lot. I thank you for your straightforward dealings with me. You can make what use of this letter you like.—Fred L. Prosser to Joe Thomas."

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ROLLER hens, cold-room bred (9); what offers: 23, Rosslyn-rd., Walthamstow. (200)

1914 ROLLERS, two cocks, 5/- each; three hens, 2/- each; lot 15/-: Pearse, Printer, Bideford. (186)

PURE Rollers, only few left, at 10/6 and 12/6; hens, 3/-: J. Bennett, 28, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (140)

ROLLER cocks in song, 3/9, 4/9, and 5/9, hens 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (198)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Fould's strain, cocks 10/6, 12/6; hens 3/6, 4/6; club rung: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (194)

COCK and two hens, B.R.C.C. rung, 12/6, 7/6; hens or 18/- lot; breeding condition: Manley, Walpole-st., Wolverhampton. (202)

SEIFERT Rollers, good song birds; cocks from 8/-; hens 4/6; approval: Smith, 3, Torquay Villas, Rosmead-st., Hull. (201)

FEW young Hartz Mountain Roller cocks, good songsters, 4/-, two 7/6; hens, 2/3, two 4/-: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (179)

RANDALL-ROEHL Glucke cock, cold-room bred, grand songster, 12/6; approval: Corbett, Midland Station, Wath-on-Dearne. (181)

TWO pairs high-class Rollers, pure Randalls; cocks 25/-, 30/-, hens 5/-; 3 days' approval: D. Spencer, 148, Bury-rd., Haslingden. (200)

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MR. INNES, Estate Factor, Large, Ayrshire, offers a few really first-class Roller cocks at 15/-; hens, 4/-; pairs, 17/6; letters only. (144)

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NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, full song; prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (139)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randalls, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks in full song, from 12/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston-gardens, Ashbourne. (197)

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WATER Glucke Rollers, good strain; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/- each; approval: Bennett, 1, Greenhow View, Burley, Leeds. (164)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

TRAINED Seifert Schoolmaster, 10/6; hens, breeding condition, 3/6; approval anywhere; exchange Budgerigar hens: Stores, 614, Fulham-rd., S.W. (196)

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Hartz Canaries

Voogt's Strain.

I must apologise for the delay in sending out the last consignment. The 1,260 Hens and 210 Cocks III. only arrived Sunday night, 21st inst. By Monday, 22nd inst., midday, all the above were sold. **1,470** birds sold in three hours. The delay was caused by the difficulty experienced in collecting from the numerous breeders. There will be only a few more birds sent over, and I advise intending purchasers to send in their orders early. The next consignment due to arrive on Monday next, 29th inst., should consist of:

3 Crates—1,260 HENS.
1 Crate—210 COCKS III.
1 Crate—210 COCKS II.

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SCOTCH Fancies, 1914 bred, one yellow cock, one buff hen, good birds, seen any time; no approval; stamp reply: John Muir, 5, Bridge-st., Kirkwall. (192)

SCOTCH Fancies, 2 buff pied and 1 yellow pied cocks for sale, 15/- each to clear; young, healthy, good stock birds; approval: D. Mills, 29, Royal Park-terr., Edinburgh. (195)

Yorkshires.

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WANTED Yorkshire Canaries: Enock Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, E.

FEW typical specimens cheap to clear, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (201)

SIX Lize-bred Yorkshire hens, 2/- each; exchange pair Norwich: 18, Woodstock-rd., Forest Gate, Essex. (190)

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NINE young Yorkshire hens, cold room bred, 2/6 each or 18/- the lot: Haynes, 16, Calstock-st., Greenwich. (195)

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FOR sale, grand Yorkshire cocks, cold-room bred, full song, 7/- upwards; approval: A. Cargill, Cantsdam, Kelty, Fife. (178)

EIGHT Yorkshire cocks, full song, ten yellow hens; what offers for the lot?—Jeffrey Pass, Quick Close, Melbourne, Derby. (195)

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GRAND buff cock, two yellow hens, ready for mating, also breeding cages; what offers: 23, Rosslyn-rd., Walthamstow. (200)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires and Belgian crosses, some over 7in., from 7/6: stamp reply: Fletcher, Home House, Whitby, Yorks. (198)

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YORKSHIRES: young cocks 6/6 to 9/-; splendid feather and singing beautifully; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-; one slender birds: South, 589, Holloway-rd., London, N. (193)

FOR sale, lengthy erect Yorkshire cocks, on full song, 8/6 each, hens 4/6, ready to mate (1914): Cobley, 69, High-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (192)

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MUST sell Yorkshire cock Canaries, two yellows at 6/- and 10/- each; buff green marked, 10/-, cheap; buff cinn. marked, 6/-; bargains: Simpson, Ironmonger, Otley. (197)

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BUFF Yorkshire cock, 1st only time out, 25/-; buff cocks, 10/6 and 7/6 each; buff hens, 4/6 and 5/6 each; these are bred same as my cup winner, cold room; approval, deposit: Harrold, Silver-st., Wisbech. (205)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/6 upwards; hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (198)

MR. DODGSON has for disposal few high-class Yorkshire cocks, buffs and yellows, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; few clinking hens, buff and yellows, 5/6, 6/6; winning strain; satisfaction guaranteed: 40, Priestman-terr., Bradford, Yorkshire. (196)

YORKSHIRES.—Cup winners two years, best birds in show three times (in succession); a few grand buff cocks, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; yellow hen, 20/-; from open champion strain: A. Cooper, Pawnbroker, 878, Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (204)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, large, unflighted buff ticked cock, 25/-; 1913 buff cock, 20/-; also yellow ticked cock, 15/-; few cocks, 7/6 upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (193)

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WANTED stout singing cock Canaries and a few healthy hens: Jones, 126, Plaistow-rd., West Ham. (188)

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THE last offer this season; 3 buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6 and 15/-; 3 buff hens and 2 yellow ditto, 5/- each; all grand quality Borders; approval: Pratt, Strand Dairy, Exmouth. (198)

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Twitterings.

The membership cards of the Scottish Metropolitan Open Derby have now been issued, and any one overlooked can have one by applying to me, writes Mr. Robert Lile, sec., 15, Argyll Terrace, Edinburgh.

We are hoping for a good revival during the coming season, writes Mr. J. A. Withers, the new hon. sec. of Bristol C.B.S., and hope that all members will attend the next monthly meeting on April 7 for important business.

The balance sheet of the Harrogate C.B.S. shows a very satisfactory result of the year's work. The balance of £2 15s. 10d. brought forward has been increased to £9 2s. 4d., and tables and trestles are valued at £5, after allowing for depreciation.

Kindly mention in Cage Birds, writes Mr. G. J. Slade, that I am no longer sec. to the Cage-bird Section of the Southampton P.P. and C.B.A. Mr. F. A. Fanstone, "Mosslynn," Lordswood Avenue, Bassett, Southampton, is still the general hon sec., but in the present position of affairs it was not considered necessary to reappoint section secs.

You will be pleased to hear that I find business is quite brisk at present, writes Mr. J. Pitchford, the well-known dealer, of the Fanciers' Stores, London Road, Stoke-on-Trent. I have been very busy dispatching goods, etc., to all parts of the country and, what is most satisfactory, many orders are from old customers. I shall be pleased to send, on receipt of name and address, my illustrated price-list to any fancier requiring aviary and bird-room requisites, bird foods, etc.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

In consequence of the Easter Holidays next week's issue of CAGE BIRDS will be published one day earlier, and be on sale Thursday Morning, April 1st. All "copy" must reach us on Monday, or by Tuesday (Mar. 30) first post at latest.

ADVERTISERS

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FURTHER: Kindly send along your advertisements for the following week's issue (date April 10th) at the same time.

We are notified of the following changes of secretaryship: Croydon F.A., Messrs. F. B. Roberts and A. F. Hudd, 21, Queen's Rd., Croydon, in place of Mr. F. W. Capell; Coventry Godiva C.B.S., R. Symonds, 25, Arden St., Earlsdon, Coventry, in place of Mr. H. Saunders; Cambois C.B.S., G. Hutchinson, 27, Mawburn Terrace, Cambois, Blyth, in place of J. E. Elliott; Larkhall C.B.A., T. M'Gregor, Saryville Crescent, Larkhall, in place of A. Thomson; Bristol C.B.S., J. A. Withers, 21, Little Paradise, Bedminster, Bristol, in place of Mrs. Pool.

Some Shows of Next Season.

The following show dates have been fixed. Will secs. please note, in order to avoid clashing: Alfreton C.B.S., Oct. 30; West Bromwich C.B.S., Nov. 19-20; Haltwhistle C.B.S., Nov., 19-20.

Are You Equipped to Succeed?

The present—the early spring—is always an anxious time for enthusiasts; because on their doings just now depends their success or failure at the next shows, and their chances either of producing birds that will win, and so provide a grand recompense for the time and trouble expended upon them or, contrariwise, of being saddled with birds that are inglorious failures. To the cage-bird enthusiast who has "almost won" in other years, we cordially commend the Waverley Book Company's advantageous offer to send their grand book, which covers the whole subject of successful breeding of Canaries and Hybrids of every description, for one week's free use by any reader of this paper. No charge nor obligation goes with the acceptance of this very enterprising offer. The publishers rely on the cage-bird enthusiast finding the book so very helpful while he is using it for the seven days allowed free that he will decide that he simply must have it—"for keeps." If he does decide to keep it, he may pay for it by a few monthly half-crowns while he is using the book and deriving money-making help from its pages. Straightforward dealing can scarcely go farther than this straightforward free offer of the Waverley Book Co., Ltd. (7, 8, and 9, Old Bailey, London, E.C.). A free form, which will bring the book to you, will be found on page 189 of this issue.

In the report of the show of the Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S. Goldf. 1, 2, 3, 4, Humphries should read 1, and sp. Humphries, 2, 3, 4, Cory.

To Foreign Bird Lovers.

Keepers of foreign birds who delight in exhibiting, or who contemplate exhibiting, their pets, should not overlook the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League, the first and only club solely devoted to forwarding their interests at the shows. The subscription is the small one of 3s. 6d. per annum, and excellent specials are provided for competition amongst members. Fuller particulars will be gladly supplied by the hon. sec., Mr. Allen Silver, 303, High Road, Streatham, London.

The Poultry Boom.

This week's issue of our sister paper, The Poultry World, constitutes its Annual Spring Sales Number. It is full of interesting and practical articles and features and with each number is given a charming Coloured Plate of a pair of fowls. The Spring Sales Number of this Journal is always popular with poultry-keepers the world over, and this year's issue is better than ever. Poultry Culture is booming just now, and "C.B." readers who have a leaning towards fowls should procure a copy of the above-mentioned splendid Double Number. It is on sale to-day, at all newsagents and bookstalls.

Who Will Take Them?

An opportunity presents itself for someone to acquire at a reasonable price a very fine collection of eggs of British Birds. It is the one got together by the recently deceased Mr. J. F. Hills, of Sudbury, so well-known as one of our best judges and keenest bird-lovers. There are, we understand, about 300 different kinds of eggs, contained in an eleven-drawer cabinet. Mr. Hills was offered £10 for the collection some years ago, but declined to sell. The purchaser, we may say, would not only be acquiring a very excellent collection of eggs, but at the same time he would be doing a good turn to the widow. There are also two cases of stuffed British Birds for disposal (42ins wide by 36ins. high). Would-be purchasers are asked to communicate with Mr. C. H. Row, Chapel House, Long Melford, Suffolk.

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Read the following opinions of CAGE BIRDS 1915 ANNUAL, selected from scores of appreciative letters that have reached us.

Thanks for Cage Birds 1915 Annual received to-day. It is excellent value, as usual. Any bird fancier who reads the article on "How to reduce the food bill" will be able to save many sixpences.—S.G. Ruby (Cork).

This year's Cage Birds Annual caps all forerunners. You seem to have the knack of catering for the professional, amateur and novice alike, while the war does not seem to have affected the brains of your staff. I am sure a great sale will be your reward, as fanciers will recommend the 1915 Annual to their friends.—J. W. Metcalfe (Liverpool).

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HEMP SEED AND THE REARING OF YOUNG CANARIES.

Paper read by Mr. J. Bowers before the Stoke-on-Trent C.B.S.

Meeting Mar. 1. A paper was read by Mr. J. Bowers on the use of hemp in rearing young Canaries, and on the completion of the reading, a most interesting discussion ensued. Mr. Ousman said that his experience as a cage-bird fancier was comparatively a short one, so that his opinion on the merits or demerits of hemp seed need not be taken very seriously, but he would just like to mention that he used hemp seed during the breeding season of 1913, and he lost a number of young birds, while last season he did not use any and had no losses; whether hemp seed had anything to do with it or not, he had had better results without it than with it. Mr. Roberts said that he had found hemp seed a most useful and valuable food during the breeding season, especially when weaning young birds off the soft food on to hard seed; he had noticed no ill effects from the use of it, but he took great care to purchase only good quality seed. Mr. N. Leese considered that hemp seed was not essential or desirable; he did not use hemp seed, and had always reared a good number of young birds, but one reason why he objected to it was that he purchased some a few years ago and found it infested with insects, since when he had had none in his room. Mr. Pitchford considered hemp seed was a valuable addition to the bird diet, but care should be taken that only good quality seed be used, and it should be crushed fresh daily for the birds, and all left from the previous day removed; it deteriorated very quickly when crushed. The paper was as follows:—

A Strong Advocate of Hemp Seed.

Being invited to give, in the form of a short paper, my views on the use of hemp in the rearing of young Canaries, I have much pleasure in giving my experience on the subject. It is, I know, a somewhat vexed subject, and in spite of arguments, good, bad, and indifferent, fanciers are wisely reluctant to renounce methods which they have successfully followed in the past. Personally, I am a strong advocate of the use of tightly-cracked, good, sound, and sweet hemp for feeding hens, this method I have followed for some years, and invariably with good results; in fact so strong is my faith in good hemp that I serve it out to my hens on the first day of hatching the young, and continue until the youngsters can do for themselves. But I should like to impress on my hearers that the hemp must be the very best obtainable, as bad hemp for Canaries is like bad stout for human beings, unpalatable, and productive only of trouble. Let us look at the food value of hemp when analysed. Over 16 parts of flesh-forming matter, more than 32 parts of fat and oils, more than 16 parts of starch and sugar, and over 4¼ parts of ash or bone and blood-forming material, and in passing through a bird's system, less than one-tenth of the kernel of a good hemp seed goes to waste. I admit the heavy proportion of oil and fat, but I consider this counterbalanced by the excessive starch (more than one-half) contained in the never-failing supply of Spanish Canary seed.

Summed Up as "Good and Safe."

Some fanciers say that hemp causes birds to feather pluck, but I am not of this opinion, for I had plucking hens before I used hemp, and the use of hemp has not, I believe, been the cause of plucking in my experience. Others say that hemp is responsible for hens going to nest again before finishing off the previous round. This, however, need not of necessity be caused by hemp; I believe any hen which is too high in condition may do so, and any healthy, energetic hen, if favoured with the right weather, will get in high condition on a starvation diet. Still again other fanciers attribute to hemp the "going soft" of youngsters after weaning, but I think that even those who shun hemp as they shun the devil do occasionally get a case of this kind. Therefore, on reviewing my experience of hemp seed, I am induced to decide that it is good and safe. I am satisfied to continue in the use of it, and to recommend its use to others; I think also that in this opinion I have with me the majority of Norwich fanciers, and the minority who condemn the use of hemp will have a lot to do to prove their case. I hope this short statement of my views has merited your interest and approval, and will give rise to some little discussion.

The best thanks of the meeting were given to Mr. Bowers for his excellent paper. Mr. N. Leese will give a paper on Breeding and Rearing Norwich Canaries at next meeting, April 5.

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HOW WE BREED OUR WINNING NORWICH.

By C. STUBBS (Of Stubbs Bros., Cheltenham).

This contribution, coming, as it does, from the pen of a member of a firm staging Norwich Plainheads that win in keen competition (vide the Welsh National Show) has an added interest by reason of the controversy on the breed raging in our correspondence columns.

In writing these notes it is not my wish to make other fanciers think mine is the only way to breed the Norwich Canary. Many fanciers have other methods which have proved highly successful; others maybe are not so lucky, therefore it is for them that I pen these lines. I intend to start right at the beginning, which is the bird-room. Let me say here that it is not absolutely necessary to have a bird-room set apart for the breeding of Canaries. Many good birds have been bred in living-rooms. On the other hand birds never breed well in a noisy room, therefore, if it can be managed, a room by itself is best.

I like myself a room facing south-east. My reason for this is, you get the early morning sun, a very important thing, as it brings the birds into splendid breeding condition about the middle of March, besides warming the room up early in the morning. If any fancier intends to put a bird-room up outside, I should advise him to have it double-boarded, with sawdust, or fine wood shaving, packed firmly in between. If you have a single-boarded room, you will find that during the winter months it is damp; drops of moisture will be found hanging from the roof, and on rubbing your hand down the sides you will find them at times wet. For another thing, you get too rapid rises and falls in the temperature. These things are not healthy for the birds; they will stand any amount of cold, but not a damp or draughty room. By having a double-boarded room you will put a stop to all this. Be sure, however, and give your birds as much fresh air as possible.

Where the Double Breeder Scores.

Coming to the cages, I have found the double breeder the best. You can pair your birds up so much better. You have only to put your pair of birds in the cage, with the wire slide in between, and when you see the cock bird feeding his hen, to take the slide away, and the trick is done. Another reason why I favour the D.B. is because the hen will often want to go to nest before her first brood can look after themselves, you can then give her another nest pan at the other end of the cage, and when she starts to sit, put the slide back and the cock will finish off the rearing of the youngsters, otherwise the latter will sure to take up their quarters in the new nest, which will result in broken eggs. Before starting the breeding season you must be sure and give your cages a thorough clean out, or else you will have some trouble with red mite; in fact, I have found that however clean you are you will sure to find some, still, it is best to keep them down as far as possible.

Now we come to the birds themselves, and we must remember that a Norwich must have size, type, quality, and colour. In selecting your birds try and get as much size as possible in your cocks. I think that if you pair a buff cock to a yellow hen you get more size in the youngsters. My reason for this is, many fanciers double buff their birds to improve the size, therefore it goes to prove that size undoubtedly does lie with the buffs, and it is from the cock birds you expect to get your size. Type you will get from the hen, so a medium-sized hen is best, as usually you will find them the most typical.

Points About Pairing.

By pairing a yellow cock to a buff hen you get better quality of feather, and, as a rule, a larger percentage of yellow youngsters. By pairing the young from one pair back to the other, I think you help to keep up your size as well as quality of feather. You will find that if you keep pairing short, typical birds together you will soon lose your size; a cock bird a trifle on the long side, but with plenty of substance, will help to put that right. I have visited several shows this season, and I have found that size counts the most. Without doubt we are losing type, for many of the birds I saw are carrying as much behind the perch as in front (although I must admit I like a good big one myself).

It does not follow that you are bound to have show birds to breed show birds: in fact, winners will often turn up from birds you least expect. If you should breed a bird from medium-sized parents that does well on the show bench be sure to pair it back to birds with plenty of size. And don't put up two birds with the same fault; whatever failing you see in one bird, try to counter-balance it in the other.

I have heard several fanciers say you must not expect good results by pairing two show birds together. Why not, providing they have not had an overdose of the show season? With all due respect to those fanciers, I cannot agree with them. By pairing two show birds together, you are mating birds that have in them all the points, as far as possible that go to the making of the ideal, and you will find that in the majority of cases your best youngsters will come from your best birds. If you visit other fanciers' rooms you will see that in nine cases out of ten they have put the best birds together; therefore my advice is to the beginner—have quality before quantity.

In feeding your birds, give them plain canary seed with just a small portion of rape during the winter months, with a small piece of sweet apple once a week. I have found that my birds do very well on it. I never give them hemp except when they are feeding young. Then I give it to them whole; it takes the hen longer to crack it, which enables the chicks in the nest to get more fresh air. Hemp seed is no favourite of mine, although some fanciers use it very largely.

A Case of Clear Eggs.

If you get your birds in a too forward condition before the weather is fairly settled, you will very likely get a lot of clear eggs the first round. During February I give them a pinch of mixed seed, which consists of gold of pleasure, maw and niga, twice a week. During March increase it to three times a week, also give a small teaspoonful of egg-food. On this diet you will find your birds in splendid breeding condition by the middle of the month.

One thing I forgot to mention is, be sure and have some green blood in your birds, or else you will soon lose colour. It is best to pair a marked bird to a clear. Now to come to the breeding. Having put your birds together in proper breeding condition, the hen will commence to build her nest. She will soon have this completed.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

Bird Life at the Front.

Sir,—It may interest you to know that during an exceptionally heavy bombardment out here a Lark was singing continually between the two lines. It was commented on by those around, who thought it strange for it to be singing quite undaunted amidst the thunder of the guns. Generally speaking, bird life seems quite unaltered. The hens are flitting about with bits of straw, etc., quite busy house-building as if nothing was happening.

Rifleman J. A. Williams.
5th King's Liverpool Regiment.

Another Appreciation of "Cage Birds" Watch.

Sir,—The watch I got through your valuable paper, Cage Birds, is really one of the best I have ever had. It is a splendid time-keeper, and I think I have had it long enough now to know if it be a right one or not. If I should require another, I know I shall send to good old Cage Birds' office, for it is a gem of a little watch, and a bargain at the money. No one should be without a watch nowadays, when you can get such as these at the price. I have had it since early in January, so know by now what they are.

John Routledge.

Carlisle.

Food Production.

How Working Women Can Serve Their Country.

Sir,—There are many women who are very closely tied to their homes in villages and out-of-the-way towns, and who have not much time, but would be very glad of the opportunity to serve their country. Now is their opportunity. Women are wanted to increase the supply of food. Evening classes should be started everywhere to teach the best methods of jam making, pickling, preserving, poultry rearing, bee keeping, fruit and vegetable growing, dairywork, etc.; also grading and packing for market, if required. One woman can act as secretary in her own village and organise a class. The classes should be formed without delay, and a request sent to the Local Education Authority for a teacher before it closes the year's work. Twelve members will be required before a teacher can be granted. Local secretaries are asked to write to the Secretary of the Joint Food Supply Committee as soon as the class is formed, and to let us know if there are any difficulties. It is now for working women to do their utmost to increase the production of food. By acting at once, we shall secure a good and plentiful supply for those in need.

Margaretta Hicks, Hon. Sec.
Joint Food Supply Committee of Associated Women's Societies.

21, Rochester Square,
Camden Rd., London, N.W.

The Fertilization of Eggs.

Sir,—In reference to "Perplexed's" letter last week, personally I am strongly of opinion that if the male bird of any species remains with the hen until the first egg is laid, you will nearly always find the eggs fertilized by him, raising the question (to me a very interesting one) are the eggs all fertilized at the same time? My experience answers yes. Only last year I had a Goldfinch running with one of my best Norwich hens, and a fellow fancier, who is well-known, visited my room and noticed a soft-shelled egg at the bottom of the cage. So I took the Goldfinch away there and then (Sunday evening). She laid again, in the nest, on Tuesday morning, and two more eggs followed. I never took any notice of her, and never removed the eggs, but let her be quiet, as, of course, I knew she was not up to the mark. I let her sit the time of incubation. I found I had full eggs. Result, two Goldfinch Mules, the remaining youngster being dead-in-shell. I may say they were reared by another hen, as the mother was found dead in the nest on the day of their hatching, much to my regret. They have turned out two of the nicest cock Mules I ever bred, and from a sickly hen, too.

W. Len Garrod.

(Correspondence continued overleaf.)

MY ATTEMPT TO BREED LINNETS IN A CAGE.

By C. E. NEWBY (Detroit, U.S.A.)

A very interesting contribution from America, which will be appreciated by fanciers this side of the "herring pond."

I SUPPOSE at some time or other most readers of Cage Birds will have thought seriously of attempting to breed with two British Birds of the same species in an ordinary breeding-cage, and the reason I attempted to get the Linnet to breed in a cage was that I was of opinion that if an extra good cock Linnet were mated to a suitable hen, good results would be sure to come.

Extra good Linnets, as most fanciers are aware, are not at all common, and the getting of one without paying an almost exhorbitant price is a very difficult thing. The breeding season, however, found me with a very fine house-moulted cock Linnet in my possession, which I felt sure would breed with a mate of his opposite sex. I accordingly obtained a suitable house-moulted Linnet of the gentler sex and I caged her up separately near to her intended partner's cage for the time being.

Paying Attention to the Diet.

I was extremely careful to pay strict attention to the food of these birds, giving them as rich a diet as I knew was good for them. They had everything in the way of food that their hearts could desire. I offered the birds a little egg-food occasionally, but strange to say the cock only would touch it at first. After a time I found the hen would eat a little, if it was highly sweetened. In addition to their ordinary seed diet, I gave them as many wild seeds as I could obtain, such as dandelion, thistle, plantain, and wild mustard.

The latter I consider a very valuable seed for the Linnet enthusiast to give to his birds, as I believe that Linnets in freedom feed largely of it. Certainly I have not found a seed to give better colour to Linnets in captivity than mustard seed. My birds were of course kept well supplied with green food; watercress, lettuce, groundsel, chickweed, and tender dandelion leaves I found the most valuable.

A few weeks rolled by, and I saw that both my birds were coming nicely into breeding condition, as soon as could have been expected. I consider that a bird that comes slowly into the condition necessary for breeding stays in the ideal condition longer than a bird that is highly forced by "forcing foods" and patent medicines, etc. Never worry about a bird if he does not seem to be getting into the right condition early enough, as the fancier can be sure that all will come right in due course if proper feeding is resorted to.

It was now the middle of June, and both my Linnets were in absolutely tip-top breeding condition. The cock was constantly calling to the hen, and she by her actions and manners gave me the impression that she would breed all right. The cage was a large one which I specially constructed for the purpose. It was somewhat longer and wider than the average breeding cage, and at one end I placed a fairly large nest-box and carefully shaded it with small sprays of furze, leaving only a small aperture just large enough for the birds to enter and depart at will, without difficulty. At the other end I placed an ordinary nest pan, and shaded it in a similar manner to the nest-box. I always think it advisable for the fancier to give his birds the choice of two nesting receptacles, but generally speaking nearly all British seed-eaters prefer a nest-box rather than a nest pan when in cages. For nesting material, I obtained a few used nests of wild birds and pulled them to pieces. After these had been dried I tied little tufts into small bundles, and placed a couple of them on the front wires of the cage, so that the Linnets would be able to get at them without difficulty.

Introduce Them in the Morning.

My breeding cage now being quite ready, I determined to introduce the Linnets into their new quarters; so one morning I rose earlier than usual and placed the pair into the cage. There was quite a bit of fluttering at first, but they soon began to explore their new home, and were busy gorging themselves at the seed hoppers.

I always think it is best to place birds together in the early morning; if possible before daylight, as then both male and female are very hungry, and the first place they make for at early dawn is the seed hopper; and then they will usually forget to quarrel for a while, if not altogether, as they will have got a good look at each other while feeding. My birds, however, did not "scrap" very much on this particular morning, but I saw a few days later that the hen was the "boss of the show.' She would rush on her husband with open bill, and tear off a bunch of feathers from his breast as easily as picking up a grain of seed!

All these brutal insults the cock patiently bore, and I began to think that he would be of no use as a breeder if he did not resist these impertinent attacks which his wife made on him. A few days later, however, I saw the couple of birds were getting quite friendly. The cock constantly sang to his mate, and when at last I saw him feeding her, my hopes of getting some young cage-bred Linnets were increased a hundred fold. Each morning I used to slip into the bird-room at an early hour and watch how each bird paid attention to the other.

The cock Linnet's next move was to carry some nesting material about in his beak. He would suddenly dart to the bottom of the cage, snatch a few straggling pieces of nesting material, and then fly with it on to a perch, all the time flapping his wings and calling loudly. The hen, however, paid no attention to her husband's actions, but she was soon carrying nesting material in her own beak.

Not Much of a Home.

One day I came home to see a very poorly-constructed nest in the nesting-box; so I was now practically certain that she was going to take to her maternal duties in earnest. I found that the furze surrounding the nest-box entirely prevented the cock Linnet from going into the box and pulling the nesting material out, but the hen entered through the small aperture without fear.

One evening shortly afterwards I had the satisfaction of seeing the hen sitting on the nest, and I fully expected to be the happy possessor of an egg the next morning. However, next morning I found the hen still on nest, so did not disturb her, as she looked quite contented. In the evening she was still sitting on the nest, and was, as far as appearances went, quite in good condition. I however did not know whether she had laid or not, and I was not going to risk disturbing her, so I waited until morning. Next morning, on looking into the nest I found something was wrong, so I pulled out the nest-box, only to find that the hen Linnet was dead. She had evidently died in attempting to pass an egg, but I feel certain she wasn't egg-bound.

Although I failed in my first attempt I hope to make another next season, as I know that fertile eggs can be got from the birds if they are in the right breeding condition.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—I am surprised that Mr. Allsopp, being a business man, should allow his pen to get the upper hand of him. Why, Mr. Allsopp, you are simply asking the Editor to give me a cheap advt. What's more, look at the compliments you have showered upon me in the past. When I met you at the Palace in 1911, for instance, you remarked: "Very pleased to meet you, for there are those that come and go, but the name of Spillman is always with us." On another occasion, when you wrote the Fancy Press praising the present-day winners, you were good enough to include my capped yellow amongst the four which were living examples of the standard of excellence. As regards your knowledge of my introduction of fresh blood, I may say that I have not had any for the past four or five years. When I tried in 1913 to buy a hen from you, the one you sent me (which you were not anxious to part with) went back. Re my winning with current-year birds at Plymouth, all I can say is that I have won the cup two or three times, and when I have not my clients have (with one exception). I may add to this that during the same period I have bred four birds that have taken special for best in show in various parts of the country. Now, instead of bandying words through these columns, don't you think it would be better to spend a week-end with me, have an ocular demonstration and an amicable chat, so that you may return a "wiser and better" man?

W. Spillman.

A Suggested Fanciers' Social Club for Manchester.

Sir,—Some time ago a discussion took place regarding the amalgamation of the cage-bird societies of Manchester and district. If my memory serves me, I think the idea was favourably received and commented upon in more than one Manchester society. Unfortunately, like some other good ideas, it got no further than discussion. Now I myself and a few more fanciers see what we think is a splendid opportunity of trying a modified scheme. In the central part of Manchester, at 32, Victoria Street, to be exact, is a Fanciers' Social Club. At present it is mostly used by Pigeon fanciers, but recently a few cage-bird fanciers joined and are using the place as a kind of general meeting ground. We find it much more comfortable these cold Saturday evenings than standing about Tib Street; and we now decide to make known to the rest of the Fancy that there is a large club room suitable for discussions or meetings, and which would be available for united table shows, etc. There are also small committee rooms, a billiard room, and a refreshment bar. Subscription one shilling per year. Are there sufficient fanciers in Manchester and district interested enough to meet together and discuss the formation of a Cage Bird Social Club? If so, will they meet at the Northern Homing Society, 32, Victoria Street, on Saturday evening, the 27th March, at 8.30, when I will guarantee a welcome from those who are already members; and when the formation of such a club will be discussed. The committee of the Club have granted full facilities.

Ernest H. Fulcher.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—I notice that the letter of W. Hainsworth is almost identical with that of R. Blake, as he also states that he has never seen the owner of "White Rose," and fails to state if he has ever seen the bird. He simply announces that he is satisfied it is a Canary-Bullfinch, then proceeds to defend the owner against an imaginary attack. I have carefully read the whole of the correspondence, and find that the only personal attacks have been made by the owner himself. When anyone deliberately sets out to seek trouble, they ought not to complain when they find it.

The parentage of the bird has certainly been questioned, and in my opinion justifiably, because the bird itself gives ample proof of its Greenfinch parentage, which is so easily seen in the wings and tail that it makes one wonder how our judges can account for its presence if the bird is a Canary-Bullfinch. Of course, W. Hainsworth is entitled to his own opinion that it is a Canary-Bullfinch, but I beg to take exception to his sublime cheek in accusing others of "meanness" because they hold an opinion opposed to his own! I wonder if W. Hainsworth ever heard of the attempt that was made to foist on to the Fancy a Sulphury Seedeater (a foreign bird) as a Siskin-Bullfinch Hybrid; or of Japanese Green finches actually winning prizes as Goldfinch-Greenfinch Hybrids; and of several other alleged rare Hybrids, some of which got in the prize list at a few small shows, but quickly vanished after failing to satisfy judges who know what's what?

Can W. Hainsworth explain why "White Rose" so systematically steers clear of the light Canary Mule class—the class wherein it ought to go if it is what it is claimed to be? With one exception it has always been shown in the Hybrid class; the only time shown in the Light Mule Class it was wrong-classed for not being a Canary Mule, and not a word of protest was heard against that decision. These are very significant facts which many appear to overlook. Like W. Hainsworth, I hope "White Rose" will get all it deserves, but I am of opinion that it has sometimes got more than it was justly entitled to, consequently others got less. Unlike W. H., I have seen the bird (and its owner), also the letters which were published in Cage Birds describing how "White Rose" was bred, and stating that the present owner, besides buying "White Rose," bought its mother, also a Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid, which was bred from the mother of "White Rose" the same season.

Patrick.

Border Fancies at the Horticultural Hall Show.

Sir,—I am considerably interested in the letter signed "Border," as I exhibited Borders at this show—birds in perfect condition, that had won at the Glasgow, Carlisle, Scottish National, etc., shows. I found them standing cardless (rightly so, if the birds in the money were non-fed) and was standing filled with admiration at the wonderful colour of the birds with the "tickets," when a well-known specialist judge of Borders came along and laughingly remarked: "Well, Mr. Ramsden, fancy you of all the men in the world, having to stand down on account of colour." "Yes," I replied, "it is a bit funny, isn't it; but I was under the impression that colour-feeding was barred with the Border Fancy." He replied: "Well, so it is, as colour-feeding is generally understood, but they all have to be 'helped' a little—they are just shown the colour-food, you known." And after inspecting the classes, I was quite satisfied that he was right, and that many of the birds had been "helped." It was common report at the show that the judge, Mr. D. Jenkins, had made a statement on the subject, but such statement was not made in my hearing. Sequel: I gave my Border cocks away to friends as songsters. The hens were sent to Sclater Street to be sold, and (if I may have a free advt.) the show cages are awaiting a purchaser at half-price.

J. W. Ramsden.

Sir,—It is a pity that "Border" has been unable to bring this matter up before. As he says, the question of colour-feeding or otherwise of Borders is one which interests all Border men, and it is the duty of all interested in the "Wee Gems" to expose anyone guilty of such illegal practices. Personally we are of the opinion that it is non-existent as far as the South is concerned. There can be no doubt that the bird alluded to is our yellow hen which took 1st and three specials at the recent L.C.B.A. show, and which was claimed at catalogue price. We were at the show for some considerable time, and conversed with a number of fanciers, but certainly did not hear any suggestion as to the colour of the bird. We do not think it necessary to say more, but wait Mr. Jenkins' reply with interest and confidence.

Burton Bros.

Sir,—I do not like the idea of replying to noms-de-plume, but under the circumstances will do so for once. I have a good idea who "Border" may be; in my opinion he was a disappointed exhibitor at the Welsh National show. He is quite justified in doing what he has done for his own information. Yes, I did pass an opinion at the L.C.B.A. show that there were several birds there that had been assisted in colour (not mentioning the winners). The bird that won 1st. and two specials was not included in those. Yes; I also left the same bird cardless at the Welsh National show. I may state that Mr. Pratt's yellow cock that won at the L.C.B.A. was also cardless there; he was very soft when I judged him. I judged them on that day's form, and the bird in question had a very bad twist at the throat, and to make it worse she was as wild as a March hare—she covered me all over with sawdust, just as if I had just left the sawmills. I don't know what her behaviour may be at home, but it was very rude on that day; evidently something had upset her.

D. Jenkins.

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Is Mixed Seed as Bad as a Disease?

Sir,—I referred in a previous letter to keeping birds in the best of health for a large number of years on plain seed. I have had birds in my aviary over nine years that have been fed on plain canary seed. I have also the Goldfinch, Linnet, Greenfinch, Bramblefinch, Siskin, Redpoll, Mules and Hybrids living a happy life on plain canary seed. My birds and aviary are open to all to inspect at any time. I note a reader says that he would not give a certain class of canary seed to a German Canary; neither would I the mixed seed. Is it likely that a true fancier would give his stock inferior seed? I have more faith in the readers of Cage Birds. I wrote to enlighten the young fancier upon how to prolong the life of his pets. I spoke of how I treat my own birds; not how I am going to treat them. Experience teaches. When fanciers have tried my treatment it will be time then to speak on this matter. My opinion of niga seed is that I have found it injurious to my birds. It destroys the liver. Maw seed, if used sparingly, is a pick-me-up; but hemp used every day in nine cases out of ten will bring on asthma. I have known Bullfinches fed on all hemp turn black; does this not show its power—if it will turn the outside black, what will it do to the bird inside? As to the gentleman who say he has tried my treatment and lost so many of his birds, I'll just take that with a grain of salt.

T. Balcombe.

The Heavily-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—Mr. Allsopp having made an error, no amount of writing will make wrong right. I think no fancier should accept an appointment as a judge who has not sufficient confidence in his ability to carry through his actions without help other than the printed instructions in the schedule. Mr. Allsopp has admitted his error, and that should end the matter. To talk of claiming the prize-money is so much twaddle. The rules say the judge's decision will be final. There is no doubt that exhibiting has become a lottery. Fanciers have two alternatives—keep their birds at home, or accept awards in good spirit.

J. Bastock.

Sir,—Will Mr. Henry J. Davis tell readers upon whose authority he declares it to be an undisputed fact that the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prize-birds in Class 29 could have competed in the Lightly-marked Class? Meanwhile, I can assure him that the three birds under review, if not strictly dark enough to compete in Class 29, were, in my opinion, much too dark to accept as lightly-marked, and would have been promptly disqualified if appearing in that class. In doing so, I may add that I should have "damned the consequences," exactly as with my now historic Class 29 action.

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—Mr. Allsopp's letter of last week touches the limit of the ridiculous. It is obvious to everyone but himself that he should have judged the "three or four self-greens" (where were they, by the way, for I did not notice them?) according to the wording of the schedule, in the same way as he ought to have done the birds which were more light than dark. What was the schedule drawn up for? The committee could not possibly withhold any prize-money, for they had received entries and fees sufficient to place the class out of the half-money limit; this, too, must be obvious to everyone but Mr. A. As regards his threat to Mr. Davis that the latter may find himself poorer, this is very doubtful, as I think Mr. Davis will be sure to win. Anyway, the principle at issue is such that I for one will willingly subscribe towards Mr. Davis' legal expenses in case of his defeat, and I have no doubt others will come forward to do the same.

D. Williams.

Sir,—I am rather surprised at the bellicose attitude Mr. Allsopp now adopts. He has publicly admitted allowing the three lightly-marked birds to compete, although meriting disqualification, according to schedule, and he now states he allowed three or four self-greens to stand which, had he acted as a judge should, he also would have disqualified, per schedule. According to that, the fancier holding rigidly to schedule is simply taking unnecessary trouble, as the judge may read same in the way most suitable to himself. Mr. Allsopp then adopts a Kaiser-like attitude by practically daring Mr. Davis to put the case before a court of Law, holding as a sword over his head the £ s. d. he is likely to lose in doing so. Mr. Davis may not be in a position to spend much money fighting the case, but whether he is or not, I consider this very mean to try and frighten him from demanding his rights, and so easing the situation for the people who have made the muddle. Now, Mr. Editor, this matter is of great importance to hundreds, nay thousands, of conscientious exhibitors, and needs to be fought out to the end, so as to have a decided ruling one way or the other. The tails of the coat are held down for you, Mr. Davis; step on them firmly. I write this having no personal interest in the matter and, living in Ireland, am not acquainted with the interested parties.

C. Kane.

Sir,—I can only refer Messrs. Greaves and Richards to the reporter's remarks, Mr. Allsopp's admissions, and the correspondence that has taken place in your columns, and if they feel they are entitled to any prize-money in class 29, they have different ideas to me, and, I venture to think, the Fancy generally. They ask me if I received prize-money I did not win. Yes! I had three lots, and returned one that I did not win, namely fourth prize in class 29.

H. J. Davis.

Sir,—As I anticipated, Mr. Davis did not see the birds which he is creating so much controversy about. As to his returning prize-money, etc., I fail to see where it concerns me. I am pleased to see the judge and committee have the courage to act from a purely sporting point of view. Mr. Davis, this was my difficulty: My birds entered in class 28 cannot by any stretch of imagination be called ticked or lightly-marked, consequently the only class I considered they were eligible for was the heavily-marked or variegated class. With all respect to judge and critics generally, I contend the 3rd prize bird would be extremely difficult for anyone to say definitely whether more dark than light. Further, it has always been my rule to enter the birds in the classes I think they should compete in, and the judge's decision is accepted by me as final. I think Mr. Davis is taking a rather strong line in stating I may be afraid of meeting any bird. I show without fear or favour, and Mr. Davis must admit I did not know who I was competing against; I am sure if I did I should make little progress in the Fancy. So far as I am concerned I now finish with this matter.

W. Crawshaw.

Sir,—Mr. Allsopp last week fairly convicts himself, and now trots out the assertion that there were three or four self-greens in the class. I must say that I very much doubt if there was one self-green, let alone three or four, in the class. However, his duty would have been either to disqualify or pass them as he thought best. The exhibits that conformed with the schedule should have been awarded first, second, third, etc., prizes according to merit, and they would be entitled to full prize-money because there were more than eight entries in the class—the fact that even six birds were disqualified would not alter the number of entries and fees received. As regards Mr. A. exercising his prerogative and withholding first, second, and even third prizes, he would have been adding insult to injury.

Henry J. Davis.

Sir,—Mr. E. Patterson Riddle, it seems, would reduce the judging at our shows to the level of the registration of a birth, marriage, or death, with no question of sportsmanship. With the truly formidable record of fifteen years, during which he has made over 3,000 entries at "live stock" shows, he confesses he has seen no generous, sportsmanlike interpretation of circumstances. What a record! However, with only about ten years' experience of shows, and less than 300 entries, allow me to whisper in his ear and tell him I have actually seen some of our present-day leading judges enquire from the secretary if some exhibitor had not mixed up his labels, thus putting a yellow in a buff class, or vice-versa; and when it has been found to be so, he has actually assisted in righting matters; in spite of the rule about birds entered in wrong class being so strict! I have never questioned these actions, because maybe an old fancier in the eventide of his life, bespectacled, and worried with his labels; or maybe a novice, hopeful, but nervous, is involved. If not so, what matters! These thoughts carry no mud, or other extraneous matter. Then, again, what about the birds shown in cages with the labels attached to the right-hand side of the cage, although the rule sometimes says the "left"? Then again, the cages containing anything but the plain canary seed, which the rule often says the cage must contain. Why not select an automatic machine, Mr. Riddle, upon which to spend your soulless criticism?

E. W. Allsopp.

Several other letters on this topic unavoidably held over. Editor.

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Club Reports.

Y.C.C. OF SCOTLAND.

Meeting Mar. 18, to consider which ring the club would adopt. Agreed to adopt same ring as last year; members wishing rings can have same by applying to sec.; 1s. 1d. per dozen post free.—Wm. Priest, Hon. Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

General meeting, Mar. 17, headquarters, Mr. Bevan chair, with a good attendance. A washing exhibition was given by Mr. Greaves, which proved very interesting. Mr. Greaves got through his task in a very businesslike way, and a very hearty vote of thanks was given. Also to Mr. Orehard for accepting the position of pres. Members, please attend next meeting, Mar. 31, Porth Hotel, at 7. Bring all unsold admission tickets. Subs. will be due for the first quarter of 1915. Lecture will be given by Mr. A. H. C. Legg.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

LEITH O.S.

Meeting Liberal Club, Hope-street March 13. Mr. Lumsden presided over a large turn-out. Classification for annual show Nov. 13 was settled, and a few classes were added to last year's schedule. Judges were nominated, and will be duly announced when they accept. Four members were elected, bringing our total up to 47, which is considered very satisfactory. Provost Smith has again become a patron, and has subscribed £1 towards our prize fund. Agreed to engage the same hall as last year for annual show. Fanciers residing within twelve miles' radius can become members at our next meeting, April 10, which is the last for admitting them this season.—G. W. Brown, Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

Meeting, Oddfellows' Hall, Mar. 16, Mr. W. French presiding over a large attendance. Mr. H. Craven read a very interesting paper on the extension of classification for our shows. Afterwards a lengthy discussion took place, and plenty of questions were asked, which Mr. Craven suitably answered. Proposed that we have a class each for yellow and buff Cinn. Yorks also classes for yellow Crest and Yellow C.B. Decided that at N.F.S. shows all birds to be in the show room by 7, as it was sometimes difficult to tell yellows from buffs by gaslight. Any birds in the N.F. shows showing colour feed will be disqualified. This will be strictly enforced. Mr. J. Rowe tendered his resignation from the committee. Mr. E. T. Condy was elected a member. Vote of thanks to Mr. Craven brought a pleasant meeting to a close.—W. Luscombe.

CAMBOIS C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Mar. 17, at the house of Mr. T. A. Dixon, owing to the U.M.F.C. being engaged by the Miners' Union, and no other place being available owing to the military authorities. Election of officers for 1915.—Chair, Mr. T. A. Dixon; treas., Mr. S. Hyde; sec., G. Hutchinson (Mr. J. Elliott resigning the position, having served the society well since its formation); committee, Messrs. J. Elliott, C. Dunn, C. Harkus, T. Wheatley, T. Young, J. Henderson, J. Henderson, Blyth. Decided to change the meeting night from the second Wednesday to the second Monday of each month. Date of annual show was fixed for Nov. 20. Decided to have a revision of rules next meeting night. Anyone wishing to join our society can obtain particulars at next meeting, or on applying to the secretary. Will members please note the change of secretary.—G. Hutchinson, 27, Mawburn Terrace, Camhois, Blyth.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL O.S.

Meeting, Mar. 18, Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate St., E.C., Mr. J. Hodder chair, and a splendid attendance of members and friends. Mr. C. A. House gave a most interesting lecture on "The Yorkshire Canary." He began his discourse with a clear and concise description of the ideal Yorkshire; then he fully described the general management, feeding, correct mating and preparation for showing; in fact, everything that was helpful, both to novices and champions, was touched upon, and Mr House's audience closely followed every word. Afterwards a lengthy discussion took place, question after question was fired at the lecturer, who answered every one in a full and able manner. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. House was proposed and carried with acclamation, and a highly instructive evening was brought to a close. At next meeting, Apr. 15, at 8, Mr. J. Robson is lecturing on the "General Management of the Bird Room." Fanciers and friends will receive a hearty welcome. I shall be pleased to hear from anyone desirous of becoming a member of this progressive society. Full particulars from H. L. Huggins, Hon. Sec., 139, Myddleton Road, Bowes Park, N.

LARKHALL O.S.

Presentation to Mr. J. Lee (President).

A merry gathering of fanciers took place in the Raplock Hotel, Larkhall, on Mar. 13, in response to the invitation of the genial president, Mr. Lee. Just on fifty fanciers sat down to an excellent repast, to which full justice was done. Mr. Lee presided, and Mr. T. H. Brownlie, the president of the Blantyre Society, acted as croupier in the absence of hon. pres., Mr. Simpson. Several well-known fanciers from a distance were present, amongst them being Mr Lilly (Cambuslang), Mr. W. H. Livingstone (sec. of Wishaw show), Mr. James Garrow (Loanhead), etc. Mr. Lee opened the meeting with an excellent and brilliant speech, outlining the work accomplished by the society since he took up the presidential duties. The society was at that time in low waters, and a motion was practically carried that the show should be allowed to lapse, but several enthusiastic spirits took the matter up and sought his co-operation, which he was delighted to give. Since then the sun of success had beamed upon the efforts of the executive, and he was proud indeed to be the president of such an enthusiastic society. He hoped prosperity would long brighten their labours, and that he might long have the honour to be connected with the society, either officially or ex-officio. The usual patriotic toasts having been honoured, "The Larkhall O.S." was proposed by the croupier, and suitably replied to by the president. Messrs. Russell, Tom Hamilton, Welsh, the worthy vice-president, Tom McEwan, Cunningham, Lilly, Campbell, Garrow, McGhee, Munro, and Jas. McEwan all contributed to the vocal part of the programme, which was varied and much appreciated. The event of the evening, however, was the presentation which was carried through in a most able manner by the secretary, Mr. James McEwan, on behalf of the members. Mr. McEwan stated that he had been connected with the society for the past twenty-eight years, and had served as sec. under six presidents. The society had had several excellent presidents in that time, but he had no hesitation in stating that the best of them all was undoubtedly their present one, Mr. Lee, and it gave him great pleasure in conveying to him the present tokens, to give him some idea of the high esteem in which he was held by one and all. Whatever Mr. Lee took in hand, he made it a point to make a success with, and he had succeeded with the Ornithological Society. He came into office when times were troublesome, but his ability and tact enabled him to surmount all obstacles and steer his bark into the calm waters of prosperity. Mr. Lee made a suitable reply on behalf of his wife and himself. The presentation took the form of a handsome leather travelling bag for Mr. Lee, and a beautiful gold-mounted umbrella for Mrs. Lee.

Mr. W. H. Livingstone, the secretary of the Wishaw New Year Show, made an excellent reply to the toast of "Kindred Societies." Mr. Garrow also spoke of the excellence of the management and of the harmony that such social gatherings promoted amongst the members. The gem of vocalisation was Mr. Jimmie McEwan's rendering of "The Auld Rustic Cot." He was enthusiastically encored, and replied with "The Corn Rigs." Mr. McEwan is one of the pillars of this society, and has seen more work on its behalf than any. He is, however, fond of the work, and his back is broad—a very necessary qualification in the secretary of any show. He is one of the jovial, happy-go-lucky, genuine fanciers that it is a pleasure to meet. We understand the next event will be the jubilee show of the society, and we trust to see it beat all former records, and that will take a deal of accomplishing.

WIGAN ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, Legs of Man Hotel, March 13, with a very fair attendance; three new members were enrolled. Replies to letters of inquiry were read, regarding rings from the P.R.C.C. and L.R.C.C. secs., and it was decided to recognise both rings in our next contest, whether members' or open. Decided to issue no rings to members who have not paid their full subs.—P. Greenall, Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

At the March meeting, a lecture on the Norwich Canary was given by Mr. C. A. House, Mr. T. Dawn presiding over a large attendance. The lecture was both instructive and interesting. The lecturer went through every detail as to selection of stock and exhibition birds, breeding, moulting, and exhibiting. He compared the Norwich of the past with the present-day exhibition specimen. The names of some old fanciers whom he mentioned brought back by-gone days to the older fanciers present. The meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer.—J. A. T. Woodall, Press Corres.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Annual meeting, Feb. 27, and adjourned to March 13, Mr. Farrer presiding over a good attendance. Officers elected: Pres., Ald. S. Storey, D.L.; vice-pres., Messrs. H. Greenwood, M.P., F. W. Goldstone, M.P., J. Cobb, C. Grimshaw, W. Hall, G. Bell, P. Hunter; chairman, J. Farrer; vice-chair, C. Waters; assist.-sec., F. Riseborough; treas., G. Davidson; sec., J. Peacock, 6, Whitburn Terrace, Fulwell; committee, Messrs. Machin, Reid, Davison, Gray, Smith, Brown, Proctor, Owen and officers (ex-officio). Several alterations were made to the rules, and it is suggested to have same printed as amended in place of the existing rule books. Balance sheet (on auditor's report) was adopted as read. At next meeting a lecture is to be given by Mr. J. Johnston on the Border Fancy Canary, a good muster of members and friends will be expected. The question of closed rings was allowed to stand over.—J. Peacock.

SOUTH SHIELDS C.B.S.

Annual smoker, headquarters, Cyprus Hotel, Chichester Road, Mar. 17, Mr. W. Thompson presiding, when a presentation was made to our worthy and hardworking ideal sec., Mr. W. L. Smith; also one to Mrs. Smith. Mr. Thompson presented them with a few able remarks on the long service of Mr. Smith as sec. of one of the oldest cage bird societies in the North. Mr. Smith ably replied, and said it pleased him very much to be so highly spoken of and esteemed by the members, and more so to be able to look round the room and see faces of old fanciers who were fanciers when he was in his youth; men that were exhibitors in the time of Mr. Blakston. Other members made a few remarks, and then we settled down to harmony, of which we had the best. Messrs. C. McDonald, H. Gallagher, J. Lask, and others assisted, and all were sorry we had not another two hours at our disposal. A very enjoyable evening was brought to a close much too soon.—W. J. Howden, vice-chair.

HARROGATE C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Mar. 17, a good number present. Pres., Mr. H. Melling, chair. After some remarks by the chairman upon the hobby of bird keeping, Sec. read report and balance sheet, which was passed. The chairman complimented the society upon its financial position, and hoped the society would still prosper. The Hon. Ed. Wood and Lady Dorothy Wood were again elected patron and patroness; chairman, Mr. H. Melling, again accepted the presidency; and the vice-presidents were re-elected en bloc; treas., Mr. W. Brown, and sec., G. H. Barnwell, were re-elected. The chairman said he felt sure all would agree with him that such secretaries as Mr. Barnwell were not easily found. Mr. Barnwell thanked them for again placing their confidence in him, and trusted that the society and all connected with it would have a very prosperous year. Committee were re-elected with Mr. T. Head as an addition. Sec. then gave an interesting washing exhibition. The president said they were the first Canaries he had seen washed; he was surprised at the masterly way in which the sec. handled and washed the birds, and expressed his delight at the result. A class of Yorkshires were judged by Mr. A. Veitch. Best Bird: 1, Ireland; 2, Cottam; 3, Hamlyn. Prizes were presented to the successful competitors for the past season. Members' Cup, W. H. Hamlyn; runner-up, G. Gib. Unlig. Cup A. Veitch; runner-up, G. Ireland. The meeting was one of the most enjoyable ever held in connection with the society. —G. H. Barnwell, Hon. Sec.

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Presentation of Prizes won in the Yorkshire Union, etc., Competitions.

The presentation of the competition prizes of Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., and N.G.M.Y.C.C., and CAGE BIRDS' prize for amateurs took place on Mar. 20, at the Market Tavern, Bradford. The meeting started in real good Y.C.C. fashion with competition for chairman, Messrs. Towers, Cowgill, and Morrisson all being present. These were put to the vote, and Mr. Morrisson was elected chairman for the evening. The chairman's remarks were few and to the point. He congratulated the Y.U. on making the Y.U. shows sliding scale shows; he did not agree with those who wanted the sliding scale to extend when a class reached over fifteen, and was of the opinion that societies composed chiefly of working-men should not be asked to do the work in connection with holding shows and scarcely ever have one that paid its way. The Union method of sliding scale up to 15 entries, and full prizes above 15, was the best way. As president of one of the specialist clubs he thanked the Y.U. for the help to societies to hold their shows in the hard times we were passing through.

A Good Winner and a Good Loser.

After a song by Mr. Lund, "The Deathless Army," which was very well received, Mr. Morrisson presented the prizes of the C.M.Y.C.C. He expressed the pleasure it gave him to present the first prize to his friend Mr. H. H. Towers; this was the trophy value £10 10s. He had himself won it last year, and he promised Mr. Towers a real good run for it next year. Mr. Towers, in responding, said that although he had won it, it had been no easy matter to beat Mr. Morrisson, who was a real good exhibitor, and took the ups and downs as all exhibitors should, but unfortunately forgot to do upon occasion. Along with the trophy Mr. Towers also won £3 3s. from the club, and Ramsden's colour-food special for open competition. Mr. Towers was then asked to present Mr. Morrisson with the second prize, and Mr. Morrisson said he had great pleasure in being second to Mr. Towers. It was only right, when clubs presented prizes of such a value as the first prize in the leading competition, that there should be a healthy rivalry to win them one year at least. To have one's name engraved on such a prize as this was the next best thing to winning it outright. Messrs. Atkinson and Firth were third, and the chairman said how pleased he was to know that there were some good triers coming on amongst C.M.Y.C.C. members. On receiving the prize Mr. Atkinson said they did not intend stopping at third place, but would try their hardest to be either 1st or 2nd next year. Mr. J. Thomas won 4th, but was now present to receive his prize.

Amateur competition was won by Mr. J. L. Hudson, the only one who had competed for the four specials offered, and he said he was sorry there was no other competitor for first prize. He invited them to come forward another year, as he felt these prizes would be taken away from amateurs and given to others if no competitors came forward.

Encouraging Struggle Between Novices.

Novice competition was won by Messrs. Baker Bros.; this competition had been really good right up to the last turn, and gave good promise and encouragement to the committee to form another competition and ask all Y.U. societies to make class. marked novice classes. Second prize was won by Mr. J. Harney, who promised to give the amateurs something to go with next year. Third prize was won by Mr. Bushby, of Leeds, the sec. pointing out that Leeds members would have had at least three prizes had they shown at the requisite number of shows. The fourth prize was won by Mr. J. T. Sharp, who said he had only kept birds two years; he had been advised to exhibit, and having won at one show he had been led to go on; now he had finished the year by having a prize to draw in each of the specialist clubs. He promised not to stop until he got to the height of all true exhibitors' ambition, the top of some good competition.

I have not the full list of Y.C.C. and G.M.Y.C.C. winners by me, having mislaid them, so the members must look to secretaries for full list. I will give the remarks which struck me most, and hope for reasonable excuse if I forget anyone in this report. Mr. Cowgill, president of the G.M.Y.C.C. was called on to present the prizes to the successful exhibitors. The prizes of this club made a good display; in fact, Mr. Cowgill said he felt like lifting some of them, as he thought one or more would not be missed. He pointed out the position of the leading trophy, which was not yet fully subscribed for, and said they could do with some help towards this. He then presented the first open competition prize to Mr. L. Dykes, whom he complimented on winning the first in two successive years. The prize going with the trophy being a lady's bangle, he said he hoped that it was a real present to the wife and not a sweeting job. In reply, Mr. Dykes said that he was pleased to again win first in G.M.Y.C.C.; he had done his best to show the best and win the best, and had succeeded. He would give £1 1s. towards the trophy fund. Mr. Morrisson was second in this competition, as he had been in C.M.Y.C.C.

The True Sporting Spirit.

The chairman then called on Mr. H. H. Towers to present the Y.C.C. prizes. Mr. L. Dykes, on receiving his prize, 1st open, said he had won this prize, Ramsden's cup, twice, and he would try to win again next year, and if either he or Ogden Bros. won it would be their own property, so he expected a real royal battle. Messrs. Ogden Bros. were second, and Mr. T. Ogden said they had done their best, and the 2nd was their reward; they were quite content to be 2nd, and they would try again next year. They had been leaders before, and he hoped would be again.

After a musical interval, Mr. F. Hammond presented the prizes for CAGE BIRDS. He said how pleased he was to perform this duty for Mr. Carl, and how sorry Mr. Carl was that the whole of the prizes he offered had not been won. He took the amateurs severely to task for their loose manner of showing. To show at three or four shows and then stop was as bad as not showing at all; they must compete at five shows to win. He had, after much thought, come to the conclusion that should he have the honour of again being sec. for the CAGE BIRDS fund, he should see if some other way of giving these prizes could not be found, so that they could be the benefit to the Fancy they really deserved. He had much pleasure in presenting to Mr. J. E. Hudson and Mr. P. Hirst their prizes from this fund.

A "Good Old Sing-Song."

The chairman then declared the meeting open for a regular concert, all and sundry being invited to entertain. Mr. L. Ogden and Mr. H. H. Towers were specially invited, but said the audience was not quite up to their standard, so the chairman, Mr. Morrisson, took everyone by surprise in giving a really good rendering of a patriotic poem. This brought on Mr. Chapman, and afterwards Messrs. Towers and L. Ogden began their Windhill contest over again, Mr. Towers singing "I Seek for Thee in Every Flower," and Mr. Ogden, "The Dear Old Home." Mr. Cowgill was judge, and awarded 1st to Mr. Towers as Luther had broken down.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Morrisson to Messrs. Carl and Ramsden for their continued generosity towards the Yorkshire Fancy. This was seconded by Mr. Garnett, who pointed out how much they were indebted to these gentlemen and to others who in a lesser way contributed toward the special prize fund. A vote of thanks to all those who had helped in a most enjoyable evening was also passed. A vote of thanks to the chairman, proposed by Mr. Towers, who paid some very high compliments to Mr. Morrisson, was seconded by Mr. H. Hill, and carried unanimously. Mr. Morrisson, in reply, said that he lived at Brighouse, rather a long way from Bradford, and he had decided, before coming to that meeting, that he would have to knock attending meetings off his list of engagements, but the meeting had been so enjoyable that he had crossed off that decision. He thanked them for their kind remarks, which he would remember when asked again to attend meetings in connection with the Fancy.—R. Garnett.

SHETTLESTON C.B.C.

Meeting, Good Templars' Hall, Mar. 13, Mr. E. Taylor chair. Syllabus for 1915 was drawn up. Agreed to hold F.F. show July 10, also to accept resignation of Mr. W. Robertson, Troon. New members elected:—Messrs. Bowman, Scott, Stewart, Booth, and Watson. New rule passed that no person can become a member of the club if connected with any other club in Shettleston district. Mr. J. Kirkwood was proposed for membership. Vote of thanks to chair terminated the meeting.—S. F. Wood, Sec.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Meeting Mar. 16, Mr. Gibbins presided over a large attendance. Next meeting falling on Easter holidays, it was decided to postpone same till April 20. Sec. announced winners of rose bowls and medals. The gift class in aid of the Noakes Fund proved a great success, sales realising over £2. Last of table shows was held, Mr. Gibbins judged. Brit. Ck.: 1, 2, 3, Deakin; vhc, hc, Brooks. Hen: 1, Brooks; 2, 3, Deakin. Gift: 1, Laundon and Start; 2, Freestone; 3, Pole; vhc, Roberts; hc, Jolley, c. Judd. A. Freestone.

LARKHALL C.B.A.

Annual general meeting, Y.M. Halls, Mar. 20, Mr. Rundell presiding. Balance sheet read and passed, showing a good balance of £8 7s. 5d. cash on hand. Officers appointed for year:—Pres., J. Rundell; vice-pres., J. Kennedy; sec., T. McGregor, Saryville Crescent, Larkhall; treas., R. McEwan; auditors, Messrs. Craig and Campbell; committee, Messrs. McLean, Gibb, Melvin, Craig, Cuthbertson, Kerr, Campbell. Next meeting, Apr. 3, Y.M. Halls; discuss open show and other important business.—A. Thomson, Sec.

FIFE C.B.L.

Meeting, Masonic Arms, Cowdenbeath, Mar. 20, Mr. Robt. T. Campbell chair. 1915 officials appointed:—Pres., R. T. Campbell; vice-p., A. Storrar and M. Smith; sec. and treas., J. Cordery, 21, Dewars Row, Kelty, Fife; auditors, Wm. Grewar, Wm. Foster, F. Baxter; committee, the secs. of each society. Agreed to levy each member 6d., also that we go on with the club show, and delegates were instructed to report to their respective societies the show business for next meeting, Coaltown of Wemyss, Apr. 24. Agreed to pay over the surplus from club show as prize money, and same has now been forwarded to local secs.; anyone overlooked, please apply to above address.—J. Cordery, Sec.

SACRISTON P.P.R. AND C.B.S.

Meeting, Mar. 6, Mr. Wm. Tindal chair. Decided that three cups be got in addition to the two already given for the different sections, and there will now be one for each. Proposed as members: Messrs. M. Carr, J. Stephenson, J. Hindmarsh, T. Metcalf, T. Masterman, and W. Collins. A Junior section was made for members up to sixteen years of age at half entrance fee, namely, 1s. 3d., the section to receive half prize money, etc. Master Percy Wright was proposed as a half-member. Following were nominated for judges:—Messrs. R. Stainthorpe, J. Nutt, B. Walker, H. Eltringham, J. Lurtess, W. Reid, A. E. Ezard, J. Horner, F. W. Nunn, F. Fleetham, T. Dixon. Next meeting Mar. 27, at 7, Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea Rooms, Front St. An egg show will be held; each member is asked to enter three fresh hen eggs; entry fee 3d.; prizes 1s., 6d., 3d., the eggs to be given to the Sacriston Depot for the National Egg Collection for our wounded soldiers and sailors. Members, please bring one or two entries for this worthy cause. Intending members invited.—Dodd and Wilfred, Hon. Secs.

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Meeting, Mar. 21. Decided to keep our old show date, Nov. 20 and 21. Judges nominated: W. Reid (Sunderland), J. Stanger (Pelton Fell), R. Bewicke (Newfield), W. Rendle (Stanley), T. Dixon (Bedlington), H. Seeley (Chopington). Moved that rules stand. Election of officers: Chair, R. Peart; vice-chair, J. Elliott; treas., J. Smith; sec., R. Hutchinson, 58, Joicey Terrace, Oxhill, West Stanley.

CUMNOCK C.B.S.

Meeting Mar. 20, Lesser Town Hall, Auchinleck, Mr. Hainey, pres., in the chair. For the show of Nov. 27 the Scotch Fancy section came in for a good bit of discussion. Last year we extended our radius to Galston, Newmilns, and Darvel as a means of strengthening the Scots Fancy section, and this year we are extending to Kilmarnock and Ayr for Scotch Fancy alone. The club is in a good financial position, and sec. will be pleased to give any information desired. We have six classes for Scotch Fancies. Non-fed hen class was added to Norwich. There were two nominations for judges, with two others as second choice. Appointments will be published later. Treas., Mr. J. Nutt, intimated that as he had removed from the district he could not continue to act. Mr. D. Smart was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. Vote of thanks to chair closed the meeting.—A. Wyper, Sec.

The Shows.

DARVEL C.B.S.

Table show, Feb. 9, Mr. Dunsmuir judge. Nor. Pairs: 1, 2, Anderson; 3, Morton and Roxburgh. BORD.: 1, 3, Allan; 2, Nisbet. GOLDF.-CAN.: 1, Dykes; 2, Beaton. A.O.V.: 1, Anderson; 2, Beaton. BULLF. HYB.: 1, Anderson; 2, Morton and Roxburgh; 3, Beaton. A.O.V. HYB.: 1, Morton and Roxburgh; 2, Anderson; 3, Beaton. Decided to hold F.F. show second week in July. Our president, being a leader of a Glasgow natural history society up the Glen Water, kindly invited as many as could come to join same.—James Fairful, Sec.

GOLDFINCH SHOW IN DUBLIN.

A very interesting table show of Goldfinches was held on Mar. 15, at 28, Ellis's Quay, Dublin. Classes were provided for house-moulted and F.M. birds. Mr. Patrick Campbell judged, and gave universal satisfaction. Principal winners: Messrs. O'Byrne, Trunk, Holley, Shiels, and Gillespie. Considering that this was an initial venture the promoters have every reason to be pleased with the response made by their friends in the British Bird Fancy, and it is to be hoped that this is only the first of many interesting meetings of its kind to be held in the Irish capital.

WEST BROMWICH C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Feb. 23, Mr. J. H. Roe judge. Entries were very poor in Canary section, although quality was very much in evidence. British were the feature of the show, some grand birds being staged. Nor. Buff (4): All Taylor. Mkd.: 1, 2, Taylor; 3, Beck. Hen (4): 1, Beck; 2, 3, 4, Taylor. Unflig. (3): All Taylor. Yorks, Buff (1): 1, Clark. Mkd. (1): 1, Beck. Hen (3): 1 Beck; 2, 3, Clark. Unflig. (1): 1, Clark. Mule or Hyb. (4): 1, 2, 3, Tonks; 4, Amos. Goldf. or Bullf. (8): 1, 2, hc, Tonks; 3, Raby; 4, c, Amos; vhc, Camm. Linnet or Greenf. (8): 1, 2, 3, Tonks; 4, Camm; vhc, Raby; hc, c, Amos. Siskin, etc. (6): 1, Raby; 2, 4, vhc, Tonks; 3, Camm; hc, Amos. Bramble or Chaffie (2): Camm. A.O. Brit. (1): 1, Camm, the noted Hawfinch.—W. G. Andrews, Hon. Sec.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Third Annual Pair Show, Mar. 8, St. John's Hall, Richmond. Entries came up splendidly, totalling 89. Nor. Pairs were great, the two classes having 41 entries. Yorks. were also good. There was a splendid attendance, and the sale of catalogues helped to swell the Society's funds. Two new members were made, and we have since received another. Mr. J. Robson judged.

NOR. PAIRS (20): 1, 2, Randall; 3, Huxley; res, vhc, Patterson-Riddle; ex vhc, c, W. Phipps; hc, Birch; ex hc, J. Phipps. YORKS. (12): 1, vhc, Harris; 2, Brown; 3, res, hc, Bamber; c, Harris. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, Birch; 2, 3, Lear; vhc, Harris. BORD. (2): 1, 2, Lear. BRIT. (7): 1, 2, hc, Birch; 3, Snow; vhc, Foster. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, Snow; 3, Birch; vhc, Foster. CREST (1): 1, Patterson-Riddle. NOR., NOV. (21): 1, 2, Keary; 3, Martin; res, c, Snow; vhc, Birch; ex vhc, hc, Buck; ex hc, Patterson. YORKS. (8): 1, vhc, Stevens; 2, 3, Colin Brown; res, Keary; hc, c, Eagle.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

March table show, headquarters, attracted 47 entries, among which were some good exhibits, the Mule and Hybrid class being much above the average. Mr. W. Swaysland judged. Best bird in show, Dandridge, cl. yell. Yorks. Champ. Yorks. (9): 1, sp., vhc, hc, Dandridge; 2, 3, c, Gibb. Nov.: 1, 3, vhc, Oakshott; 2, hc, c, Firth. Champ. Nor.: 1, 2, 3, Gibb; vhc, Dean. Goldf. or Bullf. (8): 1, 3, James; 2, Morrish; vhc, Smith; hc, Brown; c, Dean. Linnet, etc.: 1, 2, James; 3, Miss Mantell. Greenfinch: 1, 3, James; 2, Morrish. A.O. Brit.: 1 James; 2, 3, Miss Mantell. Mule or Hyb. (8): 1, vhc, hc, Smith; 2, 3, c, James. For.: 1, 2, 3, Miss Mantell. This show commenced competition for the champion and novice cups for points gained at the series of monthly shows throughout the year. Cups have also been provided for breeders of best Canary, best Mule or Hybrid shown at the end of the year, and best Brit. at the special show to be fixed later. Competitors must have exhibited at three monthly shows.—Will H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

NOT SINGING (Springburn).—It is not possible to give a satisfactory answer on such meagre details as you give. You should have said how you feed and treat the bird generally, and where it is kept. It is only by having full details on these points that one can hope to give really useful advice. Also you might have seen replies on this subject every week for many weeks past. For instance, see replies to "W. B. B." and "W. J. B. (1)" in last issue. You may try the treatment given in these replies for a month, and if not successful in bringing about the desired effect, please write again, and give full particulars as suggested above, when I shall be pleased to assist you as far as possible.

A QUESTION OF SEX (One in Doubt).—Sorry, but I really cannot undertake the task of sexing your bird from the particulars you give without seeing it. I can only say that considering the lateness of the season when it was hatched, the chances are that it is a hen, and there is nothing in its behaviour that quite nullifies this supposition. It is quite possible for a hen to warble a little, or even sing more or less, either with or without any unusual noise going on, to incite it. At the same time its bold appearance and excitement when placed beside a hen leave just a chance that it is a cock, and if this is so, it will probably come out in song more freely very soon. Judging by what you say about its age, it must have been hatched not earlier than September, and consequently the middle of April will be quite early enough to expect it to be in good breeding condition, and you may try mating it with an undoubted hen about that time, when its real sex will soon be settled beyond doubt, if it is otherwise in a sound and vigorous condition of health. If it is a cock, and in good health and active, its lack of singing abilities would not necessarily prevent it breeding successfully.

PECKS HIMSELF (G. A. C.).—Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only for a fortnight or so, and in addition to this give only half-a-teaspoonful of mixed seed twice a week, and a liberal supply of green salad—dandelion for preference—daily. In the drinking water add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn every second day during the first week, and afterwards, every second day for a week or ten days, give instead ten drops of lemon juice, six of glycerine, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence. See that its cage is quite free from red mites.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

HAS FREQUENT FITS (T. Gould).—The probability is that the bird is now utterly ruined by being kept in an open wire cage hung in a window. I am constantly referring to the danger to birds of this position. Frankly, I think the kindest thing would be to chloroform the poor thing, or get a chemist to do it for you. But if you wish to treat it, give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately half a teaspoonful of mixed seeds twice a week, on two other days a similar quantity of egg food, or its equivalent in bread and milk sprinkled with maw seed. Give a little green food daily, and this you may vary occasionally with a morsel of banana, but see that it has sufficient green salad to keep the bowels quite free, but not unduly loose. In an ounce of water for drinking dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and about half the same quantity of bromide of potassium every second day for a week. In the next week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day, and then repeat the dosage of these two weeks for a month or six weeks, if necessary. It should be the first step to move the bird from the window, and keep it in a bright position, free from cold draughts or sudden extremes of heat and cold, further in the room, and a cage of the box type would be much more suitable, and conducive to the well-being of the bird.

OUT OF CONDITION (Novice, F.K.).—Limit the diet of these birds to plain canary seed only as staple for two or three weeks, and give as extras only half a teaspoonful of mixed seed per bird twice a week. Give the cocks three or four leaves of dandelion, and the hens a good sized spray of watercress, daily. In the water add every second day for a week ten drops of lemon juice and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and in the next week give five drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day. The latter may be continued for a fortnight if necessary. There is nothing whatever wrong with the sample of seed you enclosed, but I note that it contains a slight sprinkling of hemp and millet, which may tempt the birds to throw it about and waste a lot of it in searching after these stray grains. It is best to keep these seeds separate from the staple diet.

D. BARCLAY and B. C. PAUL.—Replied to by post.

MAKES SQUEAKY NOISE (A. M. F., Novice).—Treat the bird for a month the same as advised to "Joey" in this issue, and if not quite well in that time please write again and repeat particulars and I will advise you further. Give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake as the medium for the sherry and emulsion.

BACK GOING BARE (R. E. D., Novice).—First of all examine the cage very closely to see if there are any signs of red mites, and if so thoroughly overhaul the cage and all appurtenances to exterminate them. It is useless powdering the bird for this pest, which harbours in and about the cage, and not on the bird's body. If no insects are found give a staple diet of plain canary seed only, with just a pinch of summer rape, given separately, every second day. Twice a week on the intervening days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts black rape, millet, niger and teazle, and on two other days a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and then sprinkled with soft sugar. Give a fairly liberal supply of green food—dandelion or watercress, for preference, in the order named—daily, and allow bird to bathe freely. Every second day for a week add to the drinking water 20 drops of Fluid Magnesia and ten of lemon juice. In the next week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day. Then repeat these two weeks' dosage in the same order during the third and fourth weeks.

YORKSHIRES ROLLERS (C. A. B.).—(1) You have been a little too impatient, as the season is still rather early to begin to mate up. The birds seemed to be doing quite all right, and would doubtless have gone to nest soon if you had left them to their own designs a little more. To prevent the lining being pulled out of the nest pan you should have given a little cowhair or similar material for them to line the pan with. Unless you do this you will find but few birds that will not pull out the linings more or less. Your feeding might also be a little more generous. In addition to the canary and rape, give a small teaspoonful of the mixed seed to the pair every second day, and on the alternate days a teaspoonful of egg food. Give three or four dandelion leaves to the pair daily. Continue this feeding until the hen goes to nest, and I think you will soon find them at work in earnest. (2) If the Roller is really in good sound health and active I should be inclined to think it was of the wrong gender to sing much. The only way by which you can bring it back on to a staple diet of rape is to reverse the former process and gradually withdraw the canary, at the same time increasing the proportion of rape. Or you may give the seed box nearly full of plain canary and put a teaspoonful or so of rape on top and leave it with that until it has eaten some way down the bulk of canary before putting in any more rape. For an ordinary singer, however, it is neither essential nor advisable to limit it to a staple diet of rape solely. A mixture of two parts canary to one part rape is a very good staple. In addition to the staple give half a teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of equal parts maw and seed of pleasure added to it every third day, and twice a week a similar quantity of the mixed seed you use for the Yorkshires. Give two dandelion leaves daily. Every second day for a fortnight add to the drinking water ten drops each of glycerine and lemon juice, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny piece.

STILL PUFFY (A.M.J., Cricklewood).—Keep the hen that still keeps so puffy in a good sized cage where she can get a fair amount of exercise. Do not trouble to give a pinch of seed hourly, but give a small teaspoonful of canary seed every morning all at once, and at mid-day put in a good supply of green salad—dandelion, if you can find sufficient, which you should be able to do now, otherwise substitute watercress, or any similar succulent salad. About every third day, instead of the usual morning ration, give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, rape, niger, and teazle, and a similar quantity of canary seed in the afternoon, with, of course, the usual supply of greenstuff at mid-day. Do not give a greater quantity of seed than that named, and do not allow any waste seeds or husk to remain in the cage, but you need not limit the quantity of green food. Every fourth day add to the drinking water 15 drops of syrup of buckthorn, and on the following day six drops each of tincture of gentian and dilute sulphuric acid. Continue this treatment for a month if necessary. Glad to hear all the other birds are better.

SAMPLE OF SAND (J.W.J.).—The sample of sand sent would do very well to spread on the cage floors to assist in keeping them clean, but it is not sufficiently gritty to be of any practical use as an aid to digestion. For breeding birds, a more limy or calcareous mixture is best to provide the hens with material for their egg shells. The sample would do for the floors, if you supplied a more gritty and calcareous sand in a small tin in one corner of the cage.

MATING MARKED BIRDS (Cobb).—As far as the health, stamina, and fertility of the birds is concerned, there is not the slightest detrimental effect in mating together two heavily-marked birds. The only effect will be upon the colour of the young, which will in all probability all be heavily marked or broken, or even self greens, on account of the colour of the young having a tendency to revert to the natural green when marked birds are mated together.

A TRIO (A.C.).—(1) Cage this hen alone for a time in order to be sure whether the feathers are dropping naturally. If so, then it will be useless mating her until the moulting is quite stopped. Keep in fairly equable temperature, free from cold draughts, and give every second day half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. On the alternate days give a morsel of banana, and add to the drinking water six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel. Give two leaves of dandelion daily. Continue this treatment until the feathers have quite ceased dropping, by which time the hoarseness should have passed away. (2) The food you mention has not been on the market since the death of the proprietor some years ago. It could scarcely be called a food without egg, seeing that it was guaranteed to contain 50 per cent. of fresh egg. There is a food very similar, in appearance at least, now on the market under another name. You will find details of foods for rearing without the use of eggs in "Canary Breeding for Beginners." (3) I cannot advise you to introduce a bird purchased from a birdshop among your stock until it has been isolated in quarantine at least a fortnight to guard against any possible infection. You do not say what variety the proposed new bird is, so I cannot tell whether it would be safe to trust it with your other birds.

COCK MOULTING (Anxious).—The chances are all against the eggs proving fertile, but as you have small clutches it could do no harm to mark these eggs and put them under other hens, as you suggest, provided they are only just commencing to sit. It would at least be giving them the benefit of the doubt, which is a sound principle to follow in bird-breeding. Continue treating the cock as you have begun until the moulting is quite stopped.

CAPES AND PANTS (Joey).—The bird seems to be suffering from bronchial trouble, in addition to which your dietary is not quite correct. You should not give fat to a Canary except as a very exceptional treat. Closely examine the cage, probing any crevices or open joints with a pin if necessary, to see if it is infested with red mite, and if so, overhaul the cage and exterminate them. Keep in a fairly equable place, and see that it is free from cold draughts, or rapid extremes of heat and cold. For the next month give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition give just a pinch of the mixture you now use for staple twice a week, and on two other days give a similar quantity of soft food—that you are using will do—with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a little watercress or dandelion daily. Limit the dietary to these items. In the drinking water add every second day for a week six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea. After this give five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight.

WHEEZES AT NIGHT (Perplexed).—It is incipient bronchial trouble from which the bird is suffering, and as you are taking it in time you should be able to quite cure it. Treat the bird in the same way as advised to "Joey" in this issue for two, three, or four weeks as may seem necessary. If the night symptoms quite disappear, there will be no objection to breeding with it, but I cannot advise you to do so as long as they are present. Should you be able to breed with it, do not take more than two nests from it this season, and it would be advisable to remove it to a comfortable temperature in good time for it to commence moulting.

ROOM FACING NORTH (Derflag).—If your birds have been hitherto kept under normal conditions of temperature there is no reason why they should not thrive well in the room facing north, especially if it is fairly well lit. Direct sunshine is of very little consequence, and does not in the least disqualify a room for a birdroom. If you take advantage of a spell of nice weather about the beginning of May, or even a little earlier, to remove the birds into this room, they will be well acclimatised by the autumn and there will be no necessity at all for removing them to other quarters for the winter, neither will it be necessary to employ any artificial heat. A little more generous feeding on the oily or fat-forming seeds during severe weather in the winter will be all that is really required.

KEEPING ROLLERS LOW (Constant Reader).—(1) As staple diet give good sound and mild summer rape only, and supplement this with only a little, say half a teaspoonful of canary seed every second day, and on the alternate days give either a morsel of banana, sweet apple, or a spray of watercress. Once a week after the first fortnight or so give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Dissolve as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence in the water for two consecutive days in each week, for the next month. It would be advantageous to keep them out of earshot of the other birds, especially those that are coming forward for breeding. (2) It is a little unusual for a Canary to refuse the paste you offered. Try breaking it little into crumbs and placing in the egg drawer, or on top of the seed. If it still refuses it, then give every second day for a fortnight or so half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw, and in the water give first six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea for three consecutive days. After this give six drops of tincture of gentian and four of aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

ROLLER'S PROTRACTED MOULT (E. L. S.).—Keep the bird in the cosiest part of the room, not necessarily overheated, but see that it is just off the chilly side, as equable as can be, and free from direct cold draughts. Give a staple diet of a mixture of two parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana and half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. In the drinking water add 20 drops of chemical food every second day. Continue this treatment for a month if necessary, or you may discontinue it sooner if the feathers soon cease dropping.

IS IT SAFE? (Rose).—So far as any risk to the health of the hen is concerned, it would not be injurious in any way to keep a wheezy cock in the same cage with her, but if the couple were to regard the convenience as a licence to set up housekeeping on their own account, and raise any young, it would certainly be a risk to the well-being of the young, which would in all probability inherit this weakness and suffer in consequence. You might be able to do something for the cock by treating him in a separate cage.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BREEDING CANARY-BULLFINCH (Norwich Crest).—I am sorry to hear of your loss of Bullfinch hens, and gather that you attribute it to the use of mixed seed. In this I am afraid I cannot quite agree with you. Neither of your birds could have been young ones, as you say they have laid for three seasons, and although four or five years is not by any means the age limit for captive birds, still I should consider it a good average, and birds, like ourselves, are liable to illness that is in no way brought about by either varied or plain diet. Anyway, the feeding I must leave with you, but remember that to get good results it is necessary for both birds to be in high breeding condition, which plain canary seed will not always give. You may be more successful with your new pair; the fact that they agree is much in their favour; but for success there must also be an assimilation between them over which man has no control. In these crosses percentage of infertile over fertiles must be very high; Nature does not intend her laws to be easily upset, so that if you are anxious to produce these Hybrids you must not be downhearted with your lack of success.

LOSS OF MULES (J. Mayfield).—You lost your birds by the illness known as "going light." It is most difficult to deal with, and is one of those ailments that is better prevented than cured. Cleanliness and care in feeding are the two most important factors to success. See the birds are given only just sufficient soft food to be cleared up, so that none is left lying about the bottom of the cage to become stale and sour; this also applies to green food. If you see a bird going quiet give it a dose of Glauber Salts for one day only, and offer a little bread scalded in hot milk daily, mixing 2 or 3 drops of cod liver oil with it, and for a day or two giving nothing but maw seed. This is the treatment that I have found

to answer best, although others have been equally successful with a different method; the main thing is to prevent them going wrong by keeping them perfectly clean, and by proper feeding.

SAMPLES OF RAPE (Finch).—No. 1 is much the better. It is more uniform in size, better in colour, clean and sweeter to the taste. No. 2 is a stronger sample, and might be used occasionally for Greenfinches in mixture with other seeds. If you are purchasing fresh supplies you will find No. 1 far more useful for all-round purposes.

MIXED AVIARY (Woodcutter).—The birds you mention would do very nicely in your indoor aviary, and you could feed them in the following manner: Make a mixture of canary seed 4 parts, teazle 2 parts, summer rape 1 part, and another mixture of equal parts hemp, maw, and niger. The former will be the stock mixture, and the latter given twice a week, a spoonful for each bird, not counting the Foreign. For these you must keep a separate vessel filled with good millet seed. Half-a-dozen grains of sunflower seeds could be given every other day for the Bullfinch. In addition to these seeds you will have to supply them with bunches of greenfood and wild seeds during the spring and summer months. Among these should be plenty of sprays of seeding grass for the Foreigners.

FEEDING A MAGPIE (Esperance).—I fear you have not acted wisely in purchasing the Magpie. He has evidently been neglected and is now in bad condition. I think if you treat him properly he will recover his plumage and soon improve. Give him as a medicine sufficient salts to cover a shilling, dissolved in threo tablespoonsful of water. Let him have it in the morning and remove it at night In addition to the food you are now giving him, procure some best quality coarse chicken meal and meat meal. Take sufficient of the former for the day and mix a spoonful of meat

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Harabills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Coges" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each), No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylork," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted ore post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

meal with it; moisten the whole with gravy or a little hot milk. You could give him this alternately with the other food, which should be moistened with scraped carrot or boiled potato. He should also have a little shredded lean mutton or rabbit. If you can procure a dead mouse or sparrow freshly killed it will make a nice change for him. You should also supply him with a little fruit, such as apple or banana. The idea is to give him as much change in his diet as possible. Keep his cage clean and let him bathe on fine days. As regards the size of cage, my own is 3ft. long and 2ft. deep, and I do not think it is any too large for him. A Parrot cage is certainly not suitable.

PROPOSED AVIARY (Fancier).—If I understand your drawing correctly, you propose to build an aviary with 4 compartments, each of these to have a covered portion for protection from the weather. I presume the covered part will really only be covered in in the front, so that the birds can get behind it in bad weather. If I am correct I do not think you will require the glass as they will get plenty of light without it. As it faces the south you will require some shade in very hot weather, and if you made a wooden shutter or a framework, and covered it with canvas or roofing felt, it would answer the double purpose of screen and protection from bad weather at night. It could be made to fasten over the front. Now, respecting the birds. In one compartment you could turn in a cock Canary and two or even three hens. In another, two of the Finches, say a Goldfinch and a Linnet, and a couple more hen Canaries. You could do the same in a third compartment or, as you suggest, have the bottom flight for song birds. It would accommodate about a dozen.

SKYLARK NOT SINGING (Skylark).—I have read your letter carefully, and I do not think you are wise in giving your bird medicines. You would do far better in spending the money on a few extra mealworms for him or on a pound of good insectile mixture, and give it to him two or three times a week as a change from his usual food. What he really wants is feeding up. Give him a little chopped hard-boiled egg occasionally, and a pinch of maw seed or even a tiny scrap of shredded lean mutton (cooked). Hang him in a light position and I have no doubt as the days lengthen he will soon come into song.

BREEDING IN AN AVIARY (Twite).—Your suggested mode of proceeding during the coming breeding season is not at all out of the way. It is quite a common occurrence for Hybrid breeders to take a nest of Canaries first, as Canaries usually nest earlier than Finches. You say you intend turning in a cock and hen Canary next week. I do not think you are very wise in doing this. You had far better wait until the middle of March, as we may get some very bad weather yet, and it would be a terrible strain upon birds that had previously been kept inside. There is just one point about your aviary. Do you find tho roof sufficiently covered in? I should imagine the floor to be constantly wet. Why not make a false roof to put over tho wired-in portion in bad weather and at night. It would keep the inmates much more cosy.

BREEDING MEALWORMS (Braggeley).—After you have put in the layers of meal and flannel or sacking it will be necessary to turn in a pint or so of mealworms, according to the size of your box. You cannot breed mealworms without some as a start. In time these turn into beetles, the beetles lay eggs, and the eggs hatch into small worms. (2) Yes, put in a handful of fresh meal occasionally, just under the top layer of sacking. (3) It takes about twelve months for a box of worms to get into full breeding condition. It should be disturbed as little as possible, and kept in a warm cosy corner. (4) I am unable to give you the breeding powers of mealworms or beetles. I know that some boxes are much more successful than others, and increase enormously.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

ROSELLA PARRAKEETS (J. E. H.).—It is impossible to give a definite reply, as, of course, I have not seen the birds; moreover, their price indicates that full allowance had been made for the defect in the hen, and as the vendor has had the bird in full feather, his assumption that the plumage will be renewed is a reasonable one. Still I am bound to draw your attention to the fact that only a bird with the full use of its wings can be considered a good aviary bird; also, that nearly all species retain their power of flight during the period of the moult, and that when such is not the case the moult is not a normal one, and the conditions may be reasonably assumed to arise either from some temporary indisposition or inherent weakness, checking or preventing normal reproduction of the feathers. I can say no more than that the person referred to is a reputable dealer, and you must draw your own conclusion as to whether, after noting the above, the birds are likely to suit your purpose—with the allowance made in the price, the risk you take is not an unreasonable one.

WHAT KIND IS IT? (J. E. H.).—It is undoubtedly a Jendaya Conure or Parrakeet (Conurus jendaya), a species which does not attain the full glory of adult plumage for several years, and there is so much variation in the different stages before this is reached, that it is quite excusable when they are taken for other species or pass unrecognised. The full length of the adult is ten inches. They have been known to aviculture for a long period and have been bred on several occasions; also have been kept in mixed series; nevertheless the temper of resting Psittaci must always be watched, as it is very variable at this period. I have kept them with Rosellas, Lovebirds, Budgerigars, Thrushes, and Babblers, without mishap, but they did not nest with me in this mixed crowd, though a pair in a small separate enclosure did so.

AILING GREY PARROT (L. G. C.).—Unless you are prepared to take the bird to a vet., with a view to having the "gathering" removed, your best course will be to put a little honey and borax (about size of a pea) in the bird's mouth twice daily, till the trouble disappears. You can do this from the end of a stick, which is better than handling, but either a fresh stick must be used, or it must be thoroughly cleaned for each occasion. Keep the bowels quite loose, just short of watery loose, by putting one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water as often as required. When not giving the magnesia put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. While you have to give the sop, put half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion in it daily, also supply any kind of ripe fruit, which it will eat liberally. Keep seed in the cage, as the sooner it is able to get back to the regulation diet the better. Keep the cage strictly clean, and stand it in some well-ventilated but not draughty position, also where the temperature is fairly even, and not subject to sudden fluctuations. Report progress a fortnight hence.

MADAGASCAR LOVEBIRDS, ETC. (A. M. C.).—The Budgerigars will, I should say, soon recover tone; put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water every other day, and put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia into the drinking water whenever the droppings appear hard, the bowels of a bird in a healthy state should move quite freely.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Coges, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted ore post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

French moult is usually marked not merely by a continuous dropping of the feathers, but also by a failure to reproduce them, so that a bird has either the whole body almost bare of feathers or has many bare patches. The sketch, though, of course unfinished, is quite charming, and the pose very natural. I should not give up in despair, your difficulties will pass, and the addition of one or two really good specimens to make up your pairs (procure them from quite a different source to your present stock) should soon rectify matters. With the advent of warm weather and a good supply of seeding and flowering grass, I opine your troubles will soon cease.

TO REPLACE SUNFLOWER SEED (E. A. B. N.).—(1) Safflower can form a regular portion of your Cockatoo mixture. I should, however, include some sunflower seed. A mixture for the present time in the following proportions should meet your needs: One pint sunflower seed, one quart each oats, safflower, hemp, maize, and peanuts, one pint each wheat and dari, the whole to be well mixed. (2) The beak of the female is shorter and a wee bit narrower than that of the male, the terminal hook of the upper mandible is also shorter, and she is slightly smaller generally than her mate. These are the only outward sex distinctions I am aware of. (3) The Combassou is sometimes troublesome when kept in a cage with species smaller than itself. According to the dimensions of your cage the following species would agree together, either in pairs or odd specimens: Grey, Gold-breasted and Orange-cheek Waxbills, Green and Common Avadavats, Cordon Bleus, and Firefinches. A rush nest makes a good sleeping place.

LOVEBIRDS (A. Myers).—(1) A small log or barrel is the best nest receptacle, but a box with a concave bottom will fully meet the case. (2) The period is erratic, any time between now and August. (3) From three to five, but number is very variable. Abundance of green-food and a small tin of broken biscuits are useful additions to the menu when they are feeding young. Very similarly. (4) The Madagascar Lovebird is not so free a breeder as the Budgerigar, though it is fairly prolific in some aviaries. I am not sure that it has been bred in a cage in this country, and the probability of success would be greater if your cage was half as large again, but if you have a tame, steady pair, success may attend their efforts. Note: The Madagascars line their nests with such things as stems of millet sprays, leaves, strips of thick bark and hents, and you must supply such, a little at a time as you have only cage accommodation, but keep up the supply till you see nest building has ceased. They may use the basket-work nest, but I doubt it. I fear they will cut it to pieces very quickly indeed.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Accrington C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Crown Hotel, 8. Revision of rules, discussion on rearing and feeding during breeding to be opened by the Chairman; fanciers cordially invited.—D. Harwood.

Burnley C.B.S.—Mar. 28, 7.15, Mr. S. Wilkinson, Barrowford, will give a lecture on rearing and management. Colne and Dis. fanciers invited.—J. Moorhouse.—Place not stated (Ed.).

Blaydon C.B.S.—Apr. 3, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Election of officers, selection of judges, etc.; local fanciers given a hearty invitation to join.—Geo. Havver.

Blaenavon C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Crown Hotel, 6.30. General bus., 1st annual show, and any other bus. —G. T. Jones.

Bradford National Show.—Mar. 31, Market Tavern, 7.30. Classification and nomination of judges; fanciers invited.—S. Midgley.

Crewe O.S.—Mar. 30, Burton Hotel, 8. Balance sheet. General meeting.—N. L. Croft.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Club Hall, 6.30.—W. H. Christer.

Darlington C.B.S.—Mar. 31, George Hotel, 7.30. Business for shows, etc.—Toud.

Derby C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Normanton Hotel, 7. General bus.—F. W. Jordan.

Edinburgh Western C.S.—Apr. 1, Riego-st., Hall, 8. Election of judges; booking of hens; all desirous of joining should send in their names at this meeting. —C. Grant.

East Ham F.S.—Apr. 1, Earl of Wakefield, 8. Selecting judges for 1st monthly show, etc.—W. A. Harwood.

Edinburgh Norwich and M.B.S.—Apr. 1, 142, High-st. 8. Booking of hens, classification and general bus.—J. Stormont.

Glasgow and W. of Scotland.—Mar. 30, Masonic Halls, 100, West Regent Street, 8. Meeting and show of British Goldf., Bullf., Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, Linnet, Greenf., Brit. hen and For., single or pairs, include Goldf. or Bullf.—A. K. Chalmers.

Guisborough Priory C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Wear's Room, 7.30. Questions and Answers night.—A. Knaggs.

Glasgow and Western Counties.—Apr. 3, 122, Ingram-st., 7. Show: Goldf., Linnet, F.M., Do. H.M., and other competent business and judging competition F.M. Linnets.—J. H. Adam.

Hanley C.B.S.—Mar. 31, 23, Mayer Street, Hanley, 8. Dates of N.F. and open show business.—C. Beckett.

Helsby Bridge C.B.F.A.—Mar. 30, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8.—A. Roberts.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—Apr. 7, St. George's, 8. Ordinary bus.; subs. due.—J. W. Thornton.

Highgate & Hampstead C.B.S.—Mar. 29, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill, N., 8.30. Lecture by Mr. J. Robson on Canary Breeding; visitors welcome.—J. Hyde.

Hull C.B.S.—Mar. 29, Oddfellows' Hall, 7.45. Mule and Hyb. pair show.—W. Furnandiz.

Halifax C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, 8. Syllabus, etc.—A. Sutcliffe.

Leicester C.B.S.—Apr. 7, Hare and Pheasant, 8. Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, Bunting, A.O. Brit., Brit ben, all F.M.—J. Hardbattle.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Apr. 3, Y.M. Halls, 7. To discuss advisability of holding open show; new members invited.—A. Thomson.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Apr. 3, Sawley-rd. C. Schools, 7 and 7.30. Usual bus.; also, it is hoped, a lecture on British, by Mr. Hayter.—G. Baines.

Leigh C.B.S.—Mar. 31, Railway Hotel, 7.45.—R. Charleson.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Important; Mr. E. M. Evans, Swansea, will give a washing exhibition.—D. John.

Macclesfield C.B.S.—April 1, Daybrook Street School, 7.30. British bird show. Members bring birds down, I will classify.—H. Hall.

Northern British M.F.B.C.—Mar. 27, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Table show, classes, see "Cage Birds," March 20. Fanciers invited.—W. Curry.

Newcastle East End C.B.S.—Mar. 31, Hall's Cafe, Assembly Rooms, Heaton-rd., 7.30. Revision of rules; selection of judges; general bus.; fanciers invited; subs. due.—J. W. Coutts.

Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Paper on the Norwich Plainhead, Mr. A. Holden; subs. due; open show bus.—J. W. Reed.

Penicuick O.S.—April 3, Parish Church Hall, 7.30, Election of judges, draw up classification for show. —James Weir.

Pelton Fell C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell, 6. Old and new members please turn up as business is very important.—J. Robinson.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Mar. 31, Headquarters, 7. Lecture by Mr. A. H. C. Legg, and other matters of importance.—J. S. Jones.

Poplar C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Allhallows Schoolroom, East India Dock-rd., 8. Annual general meeting, important that all members should attend.—F. H. Marhoff.

Portsmouth & S. Counties C.B.S.—Mar. 31, Long's Memorial Hall, 8.—C. J. Olding.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Mar. 27, Old Boar's Head Hotel, 6. Discussion re judging standard, and other important business.—A. Percival.

Queen's Park (Glasgow) C.B.S.—Mar. 31, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Lecture by Mr. A. Maxwell; table show: Lesser Redpoll, Bullf. hen, Bullf. cock, Linnets, Greenf., Brit. Goldf.; entry 2d.; judge, R. Jeffrey.—E. Holliday.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Granby Hotel, 8.—W. Jagger.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Mar. 31, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. Committee meeting.—E. Lord.

Rochdale O.C.—Mar. 29, Clarke's-place, 8.30. Committee meeting.—J. Butterworth.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Mail Coach Inn, 7. —Taylor and Dransfield.

Runcorn B.B.A.—Apr. 1, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Table show.—E. Rone.

Swansea C.B.A.—Mar. 27, Mansel Hotel, Oxford-st., 7.45. An address by Mr. Harry Jenkins, on The Egg: a hearty invitation is given to all.—Rees and Hutchings.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—Mar. 30, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. F.F. show date, judge, etc.—W. Stafford.

St. Quintin Park, Kensington, F. & F.S.—Apr. 1, Headquarters, Tavistock Mews, Portobello-rd., 8. Meeting and lecture.—A. P. M. Tarrant.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Mar. 27, headquarters, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. J. Johnston (Wallsend) on the Border Fancy. Any other club business. Fanciers, members or not, specially invited.—J. Peacock.

Sheffield O.S.—Committee meeting, Mar. 30, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Important.—E. C. Job.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Egg-food making competition; prizes, 3s., 2s., 1s.; bring your own eggs, which will be paid for.—A. Hobson.

Vale of Leven C.B.S.—Apr. 1, Village School, Alexandria, 8. British bird table show; judge, Mr. J. W. Adam, Glasgow.—J. Hannah.

Winchill C.B.S.—Apr. 3, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Prizes for members' shows; schedules, and other bus.; subs. due for first quarter.—J. Taylor.

West Stanley, Victoria F.F. & C.B.S.—Mar. 28, Club Room, 6.30. Nomination of judges and important business.—R. Hutchinson.

Walkden Roller Society.—Mar. 30, Stock's Hotel, 7.30. Potato pie supper, followed by lecture on the Roller Canary, by Mr. Massey, Bolton; all are invited; tickets 9d.—E. Hibbert.

Yorkshire Union of C.B.S.—Mar. 27, Market Tavern, Godwin-st., Bradford, 4.30. Annual general meeting; distribution of prizes at 7; payment of delegates' expenses.—H. Hill.

FEATHER-PICKER (M. L. M.).—Do not give table scraps, sops, tea, coffee, etc., and also stop the bones. You can always keep up a reasonably varied diet from the following: Seed mixture, ripe fruit, biscuit, stale crusts, nuts, and greenfood; raw or cooked vegetables are in order, if unseasoned, and given without fats or gravy. Grit, cuttlebones, and pieces of a thickish branch of a tree should always be in the cage. Give the fluid magnesia sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving quite freely, and when not giving the magnesia a little syrup of phosphates in the drinking water should prove a beneficent tonic. Spray this bird with a dilute tepid solution of quassia twice weekly. Give the flowers of sulphur on any of its food that can be slightly moistened with tepid water—it is sufficient to lightly dust the moistened food with the sulphur. Keep it occupied, and free from *ennui*, as much as possible, and as soon as weather permits give it a few hours out of doors on all genial days, in some unexposed position.

PARROTS AND PARRAKEETS (L. A. W.).—(1) I have kept a Senegal Parrot in a moderate sized aviary along with Thrushes, Babblers, Cardinals, Budgerigars, and Cockatoels, and it never did any mischief, though it would not fraternise with the other occupants. I have known of several pairs that have lived in aviaries out of doors all the year round. (2) New imported about 30s. to 42s. each according to condition and numbers available. £5 is often asked for an acclimatised and tame specimen. (3) Millet and canary is quite a part of their dietary, and this, together with a mixture of oats, hemp and sunflower seeds, would suffice for them, with the addition of ripe fruit and green food. (4) Many do not talk, and there are a good number that do, but as a rule aviary birds are not talkers unless they have had cage training first. (5) They are hardy providing they are put out not later than June and that the aviary they occupy has a dry well lighted shelter shed attached to it. Your plan appears satisfactory. (6) There is always a possibility of them breeding, though they have not done so up to the present. (7) As a rule, yes; but some individuals are very destructive, and an aviary for Parrakeets should always be of the thicker wire stores netting as a rule is the thinnest gauge usually stocked it is stocked in three thicknesses, and you could get it direct from the manufacturers in 25yd. rolls.

WAXBILLS, ETC. (Waxbill).—Perches are not forbidden in the booklet, but twigs are recommended as adding greatly to the bird's well being and comfort, as they enable the muscles of the feet to get proper exercise. A husk nest will do, but a rush nest is far better. They will take their food from ordinary feeders, but these I certainly advise to be inside the cage. The cage is certainly small for Budgerigars, as a husk-nut will use up almost a third of the space. I know of one pair of birds rearing a brood in one even a little smaller, but where one succeeded in so small a cage many would fail. Wild species, whether British or Foreign, need more space to induce them to go to nest than do domesticated Canaries, though there are notable exceptions to all rules. You are more likely to achieve success if you can give the conditions stated in the booklet. However, there is no reason why you should not try a pair in the cage named. I think Orange-cheeks or St. Helena would be the more likely to succeed.

GREY PARROT (Anxious).—Keep the bird as warm as you can, and make the change as suddenly as possible from its present quarters to a warmer one, but the temperature should be fairly regular. Spray it twice a week with tepid water, and after spraying cover up three sides (leave top uncovered) of the cage till the plumage is dry. I should continue to use the Dinneford's Magnesia sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving quite freely without being water-loose. For a week put three drops of tincture of saffron in the daily supply of drinking water (two tablespoonfuls), at the end of this period resume the chemical food in lieu of the saffron. Give it cod liver oil emulsion by some means, ten or more drops on anything absorbent it will eat, such as sponge cake, stale household bread, or biscuit, or you can give it with boiled maize (see other replies for how to prepare this); failing success by any of these methods you must give it several drops direct to the beak twice daily and continue this for some time. Examine its mouth, and if it is at all furred or slimy put a little honey and borax into its mouth daily from the end of a stick or quill, but only a clean stick must be put into the mixture. You must continue the treatment till the bird regains its strength.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates**, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

Forge.—Ptomaine poisoning due to impurities in the mixture. Discontinue this and feed entirely on plain canary seed with the addition of a little hemp once a week. Prevention being preferable to treatment, medicinal measures will not be necessary.

G. W. Rattigan.—The bird you sent me (hen) was in good condition, Both lungs, however, were highly congested, causing death. I attribute this to adverse weather conditions, coupled with change of surroundings. If possible, I would advise artificial heat until the weather becomes more settled.

Vere Tonnithorne.—Bird died as the result of a fit. It was in good condition and otherwise healthy. The feeding was evidently all right.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

The 11th Annual Pair Show.

11th annual pair show, Mar. 2, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, S.E. The show was in every way a success Mr. A. G. Cant, late hon. sec., was show manager, and was ably assisted by Mr. D. Reeks, Hon. Sec., and Mr. F. Cole Entries were slightly below last year, but quality was excellent. Norwich were a grand lot, as were the Yorks. Borders were also good, and some fine muling pairs were staged. Special winners: Cole, Fairman, Gilbert, and Hopcroft. Mr. J. Robson judged.

CHAMP. NOR., YELL. CK., BUFF HEN (3): 1, 2, Cole; 3, Tomsett; B.C. and Y.H. (4): 1, 4, Cole; 2, 3, Tomsett. YORKS, Y.C. and B.H. (5): 1, Fairman; 2, 3, Clarke; 4, vhc, Cant. B.C. and Y.H. (5): 1, 2, Clarke; 3, Fairman; 4, vhc, Cant. BORD. (4): All Burton Bros. HYBS. (1): Fairman. NOV. NOR. Y.C. and B.H. (6): 1, 4, Hopcroft; 2, vhc, Dracup; 3, Gardner; hc, Clemence. B.C. and Y.H. (6): 1, Hoperoft; 2, 3, Gardner; 4, hc, Clemence; vhc, Dracup. YORKS, Y.C. and B.H. (1): Gilbert. B.C. and Y.H. (3): 1, 3, Gilbert; 2, Page. HYB. (3): 1 Gardner; 2, Gilbert; 3, Page. D. Reeks, Hon. Sec.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.

Show, Boy Scouts' Room, Mar. 8; 63 entries. Mr. W. G. Fellows, Southampton, judged and gave satisfaction and commented on the quality of the exhibits. Vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Fellows, and a pleasant evening came to an end all too quickly. NOR. (6): 1, Foyle; 2, vhc, Cook; 3, hc, c, Thornback. YORKS. (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Maidment, a grand team; hc, c, Thornback. A.O.V. (6): 1, Thornton; 2, c, Thornback; 3, hc, Page; vhc, Lees. MULES (3): 1, 2, Clark, Siskin-Mules; 3, Lacey, Siskin-Mule. GOLDF. (5): 1, Foyle; 2, Clark; 3, Vale; vhc, Thornton; hc, Alderslade. BULLF. (4): 1, Alderslade; 2, vhc, Clark; 3, Vale. LINNET (4): 1, 2, Thornton; 3, vhc, Alderslade. GREENF. OR CHAFFINCH (6): 1, Vale; 2, Lees; 3, Alderslade; vhc, Clark; hc, Thornback; c, Foyle. SISKIN, ETC. (3): 1, Lees; 2, Aldersdale; 3, Vale. A.O. HARDBILL (2): 1, 2, Vale. FOR. (4): 1, Clark; 2, Lacey; 3, Alderslade; vhc, Clark. NOR. PAIRS (6): 1, Cook; 2, Foyle; 3, Alderslade; vhc, c, Vale; hc, Alderslade. YORKS. (4): 1, 2, Maidment; 3, vhc, Clark. A.O.V. (1): 1, Alderslade. MULES OR HYB. (1): 1, Thornback.—J. Alderslade, Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest Mar. 20 for four prizes; 1, 3, S. Morley, 123, 88; 2, Williams, 93; 4, Nelson, 60. Contest sing Mar. 21 for three prizes; 1, Wainwright; 2, Nelson; 3, B. Plows.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane Mar. 2; 18 birds competed. The singing was good. 1, Whitfield; 2, Bamfield; Whitfield and Bamfield divided 3rd. Judges, P. Madden and C. Lorrimau; timekeeper, F. Turner.—A. Bryan, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, open contest for quality Linnet singing, Mar. 20: 21 birds sang for three prizes. 1, 3, T. Johnson; 2, Flowers. Judges, Crane, Naylor, Hayes. Mar. 21, 31 sang for four prizes; 1, 2, shared by Chippindale and S. Johnson: 3, G. Hirst; 4, Appleyard. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor and Smith.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Mar. 20; 36 birds entered for four prizes, four minutes sing, and some good singing was done. Seven birds did over 100 seconds. 1, 3, 4, Pugh, 135, 127, 117; 2, Nelson, 128. Open sing Mar. 21, 26 entered for three prizes, three minutes time sing. 1, 3, Piper, 106, 86; 2, Nelson, 102. Biggest breaks this week:—Piper, 43; Pugh, 41.—S. Pugh, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Commercial Hotel, New Street, open sing, Mar. 20, for five prizes; 18 birds entered for five minutes time singing. 1, Jones, 2min. 59sec.; 2, Cawthorne, 2.35; 3, 4, Hardman, 2.7 and 1.16; 5, Coles, 50sec. Mar. 21, five minutes time singing, 11 birds for three prizes; 1, Cawthorne, 4min. 17sec.; 2, Jones, 3.37; 3, Armatage, 3.16.—Hardman, Sec.

BLACKBURN.

Great all-England Linnet contest for quality only, Easter Saturday, Apr. 3, at Empire Hotel, Bolton Road, Blackburn, when several good prizes will be given.—(Advt.)

WIGAN.

There will be a singing contest (time and quality) at Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, on Apr. 3, when the proprietor, Mr. Sam Fishwick, will give prizes according to entrance. First birds staged at 2.30 prompt. Entrance fee 1s. per bird.—A. Leyland, Sec.—(Advt.)

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Mar. 20; 30 birds entered for three prizes. 1, Potter; 2, Wallis; 3, Cooper. Timekeepers, T. Hall and J. Cooper. Tappers, A. Cooper and A. Bath, who was home on a furlough. He is one of our members, and thoroughly enjoyed being amongst us for an afternoon contest.—R. Plows, Sec.

LEIGH.

Open contest, Globe Inn, for time and quality, March 20: 31 birds entered, and some very good singing was heard.—Quality: 1, Ashcroft; 2, 3, Cowburn; 4, Dobson. Time: 1, 4, Fairhurst, 227, 118; 2, R. Statham, 185; 3, Knowles, 156. Timers, W. Meadows and T. Statham. Tappers, Kershaw and Lomas; minutes, Hayhurst; judges, F. Gibbons and J. W. Jones.—R. Disley, Sec.

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GOOD H.M. cock Goldfinch, steady, in perfect condition, also 2 good muling hens, 10/6: O. Beach, Monmouth. (198)

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, give 6/- cocks, 1/- hens; approval, deposit: Blackett, 2, Pooke-st., New North-rd., London. (195)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Goldfinch, sure muler, very steady, 7/6: V. Lomer, Ashdene, Regent's Park, Southampton. (191)

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Mainly British.

EXCHANGE splendid pair Bullfinches for Yorkshire cock, full song; yours first: Mrs. Wickson, 5, Queen-st., Lydney. (203)

EXCHANGE cock Linnet mule for yellow Norwich cock or two yellow hens: Sam Clarke, North-st., Pinxton, Derbyshire. (198)

THREE splendid hen Bullfinches, right for breeding, 6/-; exchange two pullets; offers: Dollimore, 31, Portland-st., St. Albans. (203)

THREE Goldfinch cocks, large birds, 4/-, 3/6, 3/-; wanted, two steady Linnets for muling: R. Outtrim, Limpsfield, Surrey. (194)

GRAND cock Blackbird, on song; cock Linnet, hen Bullie; exchange for large muling Goldie: Burrows, Chemical Works, Southall. (199)

EXCHANGE two cock Chaffinches for muling cock Linnet or Greenfinch or hen Canary: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (200)

THREE large house-moulted cock Goldfinches, mulers, sell 18/-; or exchange large Norwich: 2, Cross-st., Wavertree, Liverpool. (199)

EXCHANGE two old cage-moulted Linnets, singing hard, for three hen Canaries; yours first: A. Edwards, 4, Cotman-st., Wandsworth. (204)

WANTED Canaries, either sex, also British; exchange table cutlery or plate or carvers: Herbert Marsden, 175, St. Philips-rd., Shelfield. (204)

HOUSE-moulted Goldfinch and Norwich hen; exchange Roller cock: Henderson, 13, Dene Bank, Allendale, Hamsterley Colliery, Durham. (201)

TWO young cock Linnet Mules in full song; will exchange for a good Yorkshire cock; approval: Green, 1, Hillside-terr., Steyning, Sussex. (199)

GOLDFINCH, Linnet, Greenfinch, Canary Mules, cocks, full song, 6/6, 7/6 each; exchange anything useful: Collins, Morchard Bishop, Devon. (194)

WANTED birds, dogs, monkeys, mice, pigeons, Parrots, Guinea Pigs, poultry; purchase or exchange other varieties: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (204)

EXCHANGE Twite, h.m. cock Goldie, and clear yellow Norwich hen, for young Roller cock, singing; yours first: Douglas, 15, Croft-st., Morecambe. (196)

THREE strong house-moulted cock Greenfinches for muling Goldfinch or yellow Norwich hen, full size and type: L. Morgan, 8, Queen's-parade, Brandon Hill, Bristol. (194)

EXCHANGE light yellow marked Goldie Mule (cock), Linnet, breeder, Redpoll-Siskin hen, paired for Norwich buff cock, 1914, good head, size: Todd, Caldarvan, Balloch. (202)

FLIGHT cage, 3ft. long, 2ft. 6in. high, two cock Goldfinches, two hen Bullies; exchange cock, two hen Yorkshires or Norwich: Jennings, No. 24, Doleyfellin-st., Caerphilly, Glam. (202)

GOLDFINCH, good size, markings, Greenfinch hen, bred mules; exchange pair Borders or sell 7/6; will exchange wallpapers for cage birds, etc.: Fraser, Painter, New Pitsligo. (196)

WHAT offers in hen Canaries for pair Chaffinch, pair Redpolls, one cock, three hen Linnets, cock Greenfinch, hen Goldfinch; all outdoor aviary moulted: Baker, 75, Boston-rd., Croydon. (203)

EXCHANGE twice h.m. Goldfinch, good muler, two Goldfinch Mules, full song, one has pure Goldfinch note, for long, slim, unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock; no rubbish: Hay, Jarvis-Brook, Sussex. (198)

TO Exhibitors.—Two sterling Chaffinch cocks, 5/- each; or exchange for two muling Goldfinch cocks; also book on Canaries, Hybrids, and British birds, 15/-; or exchange muling Goldfinches to value: Twells, Watnall, Notts. (194)

EXCHANGE cock Linnet Mule and cock Goldfinch Mule and cash for 1914 Scotch Fancy hen, or sell £1 the two, both in full song, Goldfinch Mule almost cinnamon; on approval: Rosa Livingston, Gibson's-hill, Corcreaney, Lurgan. (205)

Mainly Canaries.

LOVELY massive fender and fire-irons, 12/6; exchange Norwich or Roller cock: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (175)

EXCHANGE two Hartz hens for one long Yorkshire hen; approval; yours first: Milsom, 2, Beverley-st., Port Talbot. (197)

WILL exchange a pair of Norwich, good birds, value 30/-, for a pair of good Borders: Evans, 10, Brook-st., Penygraig. (196)

WANTED offers in large Norwich or anything useful; give in exchange good stylish Yorkshires: A. Bridgworth, Warwick. (199)

FOR sale Roller organ, made by Roehl, perfect order, 25/-; or will exchange for Canaries or British: Gray, Goodramgate, York. (201)

EXCHANGE three Yorkshire cocks, 32/-, for good lounge suit, 5ft. 8½in., leg 30, waist 36; no rubbish: 57, Duckett-rd., Harringay. (195)

COTTON, Draper, Northallerton, grand pair Yorkshires, nesting, buff cock, cinnamon-marked hen, from winners, own breeding, 10/-. (192)

HIGH CLASS yellow Yorkshire hen, unflighted, 15/-; exchange two double breeders: Grant, 73, Saint Mungo-st., Townhead, Glasgow. (198)

TWO pairs grand Crests, 25/- pair; approval; or would exchange, jewellery preferred: Alex. Union, Sir Rowland Hill, Nottingham. (204)

EXCHANGE four good hen Canaries for a good Roller cock, unflighted, full song, yellow or buff: A. Morris, 30, York-rd., Norbiton. (197)

EXCHANGE high-class Seifert Rollers for scrap brass, copper, block tin, etc.: B. Murgatroyd, 5, Walke-place, Windhill, Shipley, Yorks. (201)

EXCHANGE one yellow, two buff Borders, hens, well bred, for buff cinnamon chubby Border cock, sell 7/6: D. Rea, 1, Hill-rd., Arbroath. (199)

BORDER Fancies, exceptional pair, winners, sell 20/-; exchange Yorkshires, Rollers, cock Goldfinches: Tansey, 57, Reid-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (194)

GRAND pair of Norwich, £1, for good pair typical Yorkshires or 48-keyed concertina; replies London only: F., 24, St. James-rd., Wandsworth Common. (201)

EXCHANGE cock Canary for two cock Goldfinches, hen Canary and Mule for two hen Bullfinches; Finches first: T. Lister, Station-rd., Leven, Fife. (201)

EXCHANGE yellow Norwich cock, winning strain, for fishing rod and tackle, anything useful: Knowles, 47, Acregate-lane, Preston, Lancashire. (196)

EXCHANGE pair of Canaries and breeding cage for Lurcher dog or Greyhound; what offers: Mackirdy, 83, Alexander-st., Alexandria, Dumbartonshire. (201)

SELL or exchange five good Yorkshire hens, yellows and buffs; wanted extra long unflighted yellow Yorkshire hen or class Norwich: Trevor, 84, Bulwer-rd., Edmonton. (199)

EXCHANGE three high-class Yorkshire 1914 hens for set of meat carvers; or sell 10/- the lot, or nearest offer: Thompson, Park Keeper, South Park, Fulham, London. (194)

BOOK of Canaries and British Birds, new condition; will exchange for two good Border hens, yellow and buff, sell 15/-: Evans, Draper, Meyrddin House, Penygraig. (196)

EXCHANGE two pairs of well-bred Yorkshires, nesting, for two pairs of good Lizard Canaries; birds must be on approval each way: Ley, 17, Waungcoch, Nantymoel, Glam. (202)

TWO buff hens, yellow hen, clear yellow cock, P. V. Williams's silver cup won outright, 1912-13-14, holder of new one 1915 (see report last week's "C.B."): Lawton, 12, Buxton-avenue, Crewe. (192)

TWO prize-bred yellow Norwich hens, 1st and diploma young bird show Kingstown 1914, 25/-; or exchange same for large yellow 1914 Norwich cock; yours first: Foster, Postman, Kingstown, Dublin. (195)

TWO pairs good Norwich, perfect breeding condition, 10/6, 12/6 pair; dark yellow Goldfinch Mule, grand songster, 10/6; approval; exchange household offers: Wm. Outram, 3, Chesterfield-rd., Dronfield. (196)

ONE pair Borders, yellow cock and even marked buff hen; exchange field-moulted Hawfinch, Goldfinch, Siskin, Twite, Corn Bunting, foreign Bullie hens to value of £1; mutual approval: McWatt, Bonnybridge, Stirlingshire. (197)

Mainly Foreign.

INDIAN Green Parrot and cage; exchange Canaries, or what offers?—Runaeres, 76, Southwell-rd., Lowestoft. (196)

PAIR of Silver Pheasants, 10/-; or part exchange Versicolors or Parrakeets: Miss M. Staniland, Hussey House, Boston, Lincs (198)

COCK Lark and cage, full song, 10/-; quarter-plate hand camera, holds 12 plates, accessories, £1; exchange Budgerigars, Canaries, offers: Tutty, 1, Squarey-st., Tooting. (196)

TWO Cockatiel hens, 7/6; two pairs adult Green Budgerigars, 7/6; all aviary moulted; one Yorkshire yellow hen, 2/6; one Norwich buff hen, 2/6; or exchange lot for young Blue-fronted Amazon Green Parrot: T. W. Vickers, Millbridge, Liversedge, Yorkshire. (200)

Miscellaneous.

BLACK Pomeranian dog, £1 5/-; exchange Canaries; offers: Framp, 71, Kimberley-rd., Nunhead. (201)

WILL exchange pair blankets for pair Canaries or six hen Mules: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (205)

EXCHANGE winning Mule for Crested B. cock, on approval: William Lockhart, Wysely, Ecclefechan. (203)

LOVELY pair of Jacobin pigeons, 6/-; or exchange pair of Canaries: McKinley, Fishers-st., Nuncargate, Notts. (204)

WANTED, Birds or anything in exchange for cutlery or plate: Write Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (199)

WANTED, birds or anything in exchange for cutlery or plate: Write Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Shelfield. (199)

TWO fancy vest lengths, sell 7/6 cash, or exchange for good singing Canary, or anything useful: offers invited: Vincent Peace, Denby Dale, Huddersfield. (186)

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SIX Homer pigeons for sale; or exchange Canaries or Budgerigars; what offer: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris.

EXCHANGE for seed, drying cage, seed mill, felt hat 7, all new, 8/6: 74, Heywood-st., Moss Side, Manchester. (199)

GRAMOPHONE and 60 records; exchange for good Norwich or talking Parrot: Lyon, 76, Middle St. South, Driffield. (195)

GOOD wire-haired bitch, good guard and ratter; exchange birds or anything: B. Skeet, 39, Park-st., Aylesbury, Bucks. (200)

WHAT offers in cage birds for good pedigree Bulldog, 15 months old; approval willingly: Barnes, 27, Castle-st., Merthyr. (203)

EXCHANGE lantern slides, width 2½ins., for foreign birds, any description, or sell for 7/6: A. B. Mason, Castlegate, Malton. (190)

WHAT offers in birds for 27 7d. books, Wonders of the World, grand reading, new: Steele, 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester. (200)

CHILD'S cot, oak grain, 10/-; zinc hip bath, 5/-; gent.'s mackintosh, 5/-; exchange: 9, Rifle Crescent, Aston, Birmingham. (195)

LADY'S gold watch, rolled gold chain; exchange Canaries, Mules, Parrot; offers: Tomson, 111, High-rd., Willesden Green. (204)

WANTED, hen English Turtle Dove, not Ring Doves! give pair White Java Doves or cash: Heald, Wilford, Nottingham. (195)

WHITE crested Black Polish Bantam cockerel and unrelated pullet, together or separate: Carter, Beam, Bampton, Oxon. (205)

WHAT exchange in Norwich for 200 rare coins and 20 10-inch records, double-sided; offers: Robson, 308, Rectory-rd., Gateshead. (202)

PAIR light boots, new condition, size 8, cost 16/6; sell 12/-, or exchange large Norwich: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Worksop. (198)

WANTED, Bantams or fowls; exchange Norwich or Yorkshires and cages; approval: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (201)

LAYING pullets, incubator, chicks, singing cock Canaries given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (204)

EXCHANGE good yellow cock Yorkshire for good buff cock; approval both ways: J. Russell, 34, Pafford-st., Larkhall, Bath. (203)

EXCHANGE lady's 18-ct. G.P. mounted umbrella on pearl handle, also gent's, for good pair Norwich: Russell, Stoke-rd., Gosport. (203)

ICE cream freezer and all accessories, used twice; will exchange to value £1 5/-: J. Copeland, 13, Market-st., Tamworth, Staffs. (200)

ENGLISH lever watch, 18/6; eight days watch, 12/6; silver lever watch, 15/6; exchange Canaries: Russon, 2, Bush-st., Burnley. (193)

BRINDLE Bull bitch, six months, £3; exchange lady's or gent.'s cycle; offers: Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (194)

PAIR Venetian blinds, 60 inches by 30, good condition; exchange cock Canary: Johnston, 88, Common View, Letchworth, Herts. (197)

FOR sale, seven-chamber pocket revolver, 7/6; or exchange for birds or anything useful: Pitt, 82, Rushes-rd., Petersfield, Hants. (200)

WHAT offers in Canaries for gramophone and 19 double-sided records; or sell 35/-: Tickner, 741, Garratt-lane, Tooting, London. (195)

WHAT offers in cage birds or dog, for oil stove, 29in. by 15in., with folding doors: Newman, 19, Western Broadway, Hammersmith. (192)

PEKINESE dog, champion pedigree, good head, limbs, and carriage, sell £3, or useful exchange: Grocer, Bracton-rd., Rotherhithe. (203)

"OUR Canaries," bound, and unsoiled, sell 12/6; or exchange anything useful: A. Roberts, Commercial-rd., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (188)

LARGE massive outside gas lamp for outside shop; will exchange to value 15/-: J. Copeland, 13, Market-st., Tamworth, Staffs. (200)

GOOD quality double 12-bore breech-loader, perfect condition, 45/-; cock Goldie, grand condition, 3/9: Hubbard, North Kilworth, Rugby. (195)

DOUBLE breeding cage, new condition, and all accessories complete, sale 5/-; or useful exchange: Blundell, 163, Wellesley-rd., Ilford. (205)

GRAND Yorkshire cock, prize bred, singing, single breeding cage, 12/6; or exchange tame rabbits: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield Woodhouse. (181)

EXCHANGE for Canaries, Lemon-crested Cockatoo and cage, 30/-; 300 glass negatives, 6½ x 4½, 10/-: Hart, Kingsley-rd., Ellesmere Port. (203)

EXCHANGE oak roll-top desk, cost £5, for good Talking Parrot (Amazon or Grey) and cage: Bradley, 21, Stanway-rd., Coventry. (172)

EXCHANGE two yellow green and two yellow Norwich hens for two Norwich cocks; or would sell: F. Frevin, 18 Anatola-rd., Highgate. (204)

PAIR of brown boots, 12/6; two Dutch rabbits, good strain; exchange anything useful; offers: Tripp, Breachwood Green, Welwyn. (199)

EXCHANGE Remington typewriter, No. 7, for 3 pairs Canaries, value £3, or sell for that price, worth £4: Webb, 38, Glasgow-rd., Plaistow. (141)

EXCHANGE gramophone with 21 double records, good condition, for small lady's cycle, or sell £2: Ball, Swann-st., Bentley, Doncaster. (195)

GRAND pair of razors, in case, never used; exchange singing cock Canary or Mule; yours first: Jowett, Needham-st., Codnor, Derbys. (203)

WANTED, Canaries in exchange for quarter-plate Lancaster's Instantagraph camera, two dark slides and tripod: Green, Greentop, Pudsey. (193)

GRAND Norwich singing cock, Bullfinch type, single breeding cage, 10/6; or exchange live stock: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield Woodhouse. (200)

SIX Hereo singing Linnets, 2/- each; 10/- lot; Dalmatian bitch, five months, 12/6; exchange Canaries; offers: Cutler, High-st., Walsall. (199)

EGGS for sitting, Sicilian Buttercups (Freeze direct), 7/6 doz.; Buff Rocks 5/-; exchange Canaries: March, Grocer, Lowtown, Pudsey. (21)

EXCHANGE bitch ferret, good mother, good worker, for unflighted Norwich hens; offers: E. Tanner, The Ferns, South Woodchester. (196)

EXCHANGE hornless gramophone, as new, and 15 double records for Canaries; or sell £2 2/-; offers: Margin-son, 28, Barbara-st., Bolton. (196)

GENT.'S cycle, 30/-; lady's, 25/-; boy's, 17/6; girl's, 21/-; perfect order; exchange Canaries, poultry: Elliott, Ashby-rd., Loughborough. (199)

THREE wirehaired Fox Terrier puppies, two dogs, one bitch; what offers cash; exchange clothing, anything: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford. (193)

EXCHANGE electric alarm clock, complete, with bell, battery, switch, for good pair stock Yorkshires: Williamson, Mount Pleasant, Riddings. (200)

STAMP album with stamps, valued 10/-, for sale at 6/-, or exchange for a Brownie camera: C. Whaley, 15, Ravensworth-rd., Dunston-on-Tyne. (194)

G. CLYNE, Moray-st., Wick, offers a flight cage, size 6ft. 6in. by 2ft. 6in. by 2ft., cost 50/-, in exchange for a large yellow Norwich hen, 1914. (192)

TWO Norwich hens, 1914, for sale, 3/- each; also 6 double-sided records, 10/-; exchange birds, fowls, or anything useful: Tillman, Old Town, Kempston. (192)

BLACK Minoreas, three pullets, one hen, one cockerel, unrelated, good birds, some laying; exchange gent's cycle, anything: Hutton, Holbeach. (204)

GRAMOPHONE and 25 double sided records (as new) for sale, £2 5/-; or exchange for Canaries to value: Phillips, 49, Bridge-st., Maidenhead. (195)

H.M. Linnet, 4 6; medical coil, 7/6; fretwork designs, Greenfinches; exchange stand camera; offers photographic: Weston, Watling-st., Leadgate, Durham. (201)

EXCHANGE Edison Bell phonograph, 25 records, stand, 30in. brass horn, offers, anything: Walter Waistnedge, St. Ann's-terr., Wrenthorpe, Wakefield. (193)

EXCHANGE Durham duplex safety razor for Roller cock, and h.m. Goldfinch and Linnet for Roller cock: Nettleship, Slaughter House, Carluke, N.B. (195)

GENT'S cycle, free-wheel, and in good condition, sell 30/-; or exchange first-class Norwich or Yorkshire; stamp reply: Aspden, 23, Gillibrand-st., Darwent. (202)

HAND-MADE hearth rug, new, 7 6; buff cinnamon hen, 6 6; cycle roller chain, new, 5/-; exchange Canaries or Budgerigars: Clark, 82, King-st., Peterhead. (200)

VIOLIN tutor, bowing technic (O. Sevcik), as new, cost 8 -; exchange for Border Fancies or Norwich: Alexr. Penman, Muir-rd., Townhill, Dunfermline, Scotland. (202)

WANTED, birds of any description, or laying pullets, in exchange for cage or loose fronts, any size made: Leigh, Cage Maker, 37, Everton-terr., Liverpool. (193)

SMART jet black Pomeranian dog, 18 months, cbs., 30 -; loud singing La k and cage, 6 -; bargains; or exchange: Mack, 58, South Grove, Walthamstow. (198)

BEAUTIFUL double curb gold albert and seal, accept £5 or two cocks and three hens Norwich to value: Scott, Westwood Cottages, Newmains, Lanarkshire (202)

GRAMOPHONE, sound-box, tone arm and standard, new, complete, 7/6, or exchange bird utensils, tools or Norwich show cages: McCann, 22, Lawson-st., Preston. (193)

TWO pairs of Norwich, pair of Yorkshires, well bred, 12 6 a pair; or exchange for a toy Pom bitch, well bred: F. Jackson, Wood-lane, Bignall End, Staffordshire. (194)

SOUND Fox Terrier dog, good guard, kill, best in water, 15/-; or exchange for miniature Yorkshire dog or cock Canaries: Cotterill, Westwich-st., Ilkeston. (194)

ON sale, first-class set goat harness, 12/6; pair of jack boots, 8/6; acetylene lamp, 3/6; or will exchange anything: Lever, 64, Garforth-st., Chadderton, Oldham. (197)

GRAMOPHONE, loud toned, large fancy horn, and 16 double-sided records, equal to new; exchange pug or talking Parrot; or sell £3: T. Woodhall, 160, Dudley Port. (198)

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SMALL screw or diamond cutting lathe, complete, 12 6; 12 metal watches, want little repairing, 6/6; useful exchange or fishing: Middleton, 96, Northgate, Canterbury. (199)

EXCHANGE new cock Canaries, British, Hybrids, also grand flight cage, 6ft. x 5ft., one pair of cycle tyres, 28-1½, for Canaries or Mules: Thomas, Hairdresser, Tonypandy. (202)

GRAMOPHONE with 18 double-sided records, almost new, cost £6; exchange good gent.'s cycle, something useful; sell £3: Stubbs, 23b, Webb-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (193)

PRETTY White Pom bitch, five months, prick ears and tail carriage, house trained, sacrifice 10/6; exchange anything: Morgan, 6, Station, Pantyffynnon, Carmarthen. (198)

FOUR Pomeranian puppies, eight weeks old, two cream and two black, with little tan on legs; exchange Canaries, or sell, 10/- each: East Llanmawr, Morriston. (193)

TWO cock and 3 hen Yorkshire Canarics (not show specimens, but good), 20 - the lot; also breeding cages, cheap or exchange, no birds: T. Browne, 7, Park-st., Camberley. (193)

BOOTS, Blankets, Sheets, etc., Suits, Overcoats, Macks, Cutlery, Tools, Electro-plate, exchange for Canaries, British, garden plants, etc.: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (201)

FOUR Russian Retriever-Bull Terrier pups, 7 weeks, 2 dogs, 2 bitches; dogs 7/6, bitches 5/-; exchange Yorkshire Canaries: Dibb, Marchant's-row, Potteries, Castleford. (193)

28 by 1½ CYCLE free wheel, 7/6; Edison Gem phonograph, large brass horn, requires some repairs, 10 -; exchange for good Yorkshire hens; offers: A. Sutcliffe, Hammond-st., Halifax. (200)

WANTED to exchange, one Ring Ousel hen, in good condition and little cash for pair of Yellow Budgerigars or one pair of Zebras: Brown, 20, Wolsley-terr., Falls, near Wakefield. (194)

SPANIEL bitch, two years, never better with gun, also her two months old pup, sell both 30/-; or exchange for first-class Norwich hens or useful exchange anything: Goodman, Villa, Lamplsey. (199)

SALE or exchange 1 buff cock or two buff hens, Knight's strain, for 2 double breeding cages, joiner-made preferred, and accessories, or sell cock 12/6, or hens 12/6: Joe Scott, 72, Hatton Drive, Belfast. (191)

EXCHANGE ladies', gents' or children's clothing, boots, shoes, or other wearing apparel, for Canaries or other birds; toy dogs, puppies, etc.: Mrs. Davies, 3, Clifford-st., Oxford-rd., Manchester. (189)

SPLENDID pedigree black, tan and white Collie dog, 20 months, £4; or exchange for good set light cob harness, or Canaries and appliances; approval both ways: J. Ralls, 2, Salisbury-rd., Manor Park, E. (194)

EXCHANGE large gramophone and 40 double sided records, war songs, ragtimes, waltzes, hymns, for Canaries, British, poultry, or tame monkey; or sell £3: N. Bennett, 14, Ed-rd., Long-lane, Helesowen. (189)

FOUR white ferrets, two bucks, two bitches, champion workers, rats, rabbits, 4/- each; large cinnamon Norwich hen, paired to cock Greenfinch, feeding, 5/-; exchange; offers lot: Salmons, Kilgerran, Pembrokeshire. (204)

I WILL exchange a few pairs of high-class Yorks., ready for breeding, at 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair, for a few healthy utility poultry; approval both ways; offers to: Edwin North, Canary Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (196)

EXCHANGE Waverley Book on Canaries, Hybrids, and British, for contest Roller, offers; Hobbies "A1" fret machine, all tools, for pair Yorkshires, 7 inches long, or offers in birds: Shrives, 5, Sidney-buildings, L. Tranmere, Birkenhead. (191)

I WILL exchange a pair of Pile pullets, well-bred birds, worth attention; will exchange for one pair good Norwich Canaries or a few good wild birds; approval; yours first: Thos. Mullan, Fordell-square, Fordell-by-Crossgates, Fife. (203)

GOLDFINCH Mule and Canary, both singing, 6/- each; lady's gold watch, 17/6; silver English lever, 12/6; book on birds, 12/6, cost 25/-; silver curb albert, 10/-; five cage fronts, 16 by 12, new, 1/6: England, Warsop Vale, Mansfield. (199)

FOUR-COMPARTMENT breeder, loose fronts, slides, etc., enamelled blue inside, black out, 5ft. x 18in. x 10ins., 15/-; two-compartment, 3ft. x 14in. x10in., 7/6; two-compartment, 3ft. x 14in. x 6½in., 5/-; offers: Lawton, 12, Buxton-avenue, Crewe. (192)

OFFERS Canaries; exchange muling Goldfinch, 8/6; pair Paradise Whydahs, 12/6; gent's overcoat, 12/-, cost 55/-; oak case grandfather clock, 50/-; pistol, "22 short," 5/6; trapping, bird-stuffing books: Westrope, Agent, Bumpstead, Haverhill. (203)

NOTICE! John Jones, Taxidermist, Barney, Norfolk, has for sale stuffed birds fit to go in cases; fawn mole, in case, very rare; exchange any above for anything; bird stuffing and mounting done; cheap with satisfaction; cases remounted. (177)

PAIR of Yorkshires and spare hen, 8/6, excellent condition,; 4ft. square aviary, detachable sides, on legs, nearly new, 8 -; 4-compartment breeder, 3/6; double breeder, 2 -; lot £1; part exchange bicycle tyres: E. Gallagher, 20, Sheep-st., Skipton. (191)

SPLENDID paraffin oven, in capital order, two burners, spare wicks, two ovenshelves for same, 14in. by 11in., 30/-, cost 45/-; exchange typical pair of Yorkshires, over 7in. long, or pedigree Toy Pomeranian to value: Thornton, Stockton, Yorks. (202)

EXCHANGE relics of bombardment Scarborough, Dec. 16, 1914, pieces of German shrapnel shell, photo. of destruction attached, to value £2, for three cocks and six hen Canaries, Yorkshires, Norwich, or Rollers: Kelly, Newsagent, 1, Westeandgate, Scarborough. (205)

YGUATT'S Complete Grazier and Cattle Breeder's Assistant, four volumes, recently published, cost 36/-; exchange for one really good cock or hen Norwich Plainhead, unflighted; sell 25/-; no rubbish: Minton, Beechfield, New Oscott, near Birmingham. (199)

EXCHANGE household goods, boots, ladies' and gents' underclothes, bedding, draperies, cycle, tyres, accessories, gramophone records, or anything required for live stock of any description; hundreds of testimonials; honest dealings: Jopsons' Exchange Stores, Newton Heath, Manchester. (180)

EXCHANGE black suit of clothes, suit man 5ft. 8in., and coat and vest, used only 3 times, sell for £1, or exchange 2 Goldfinches, one Linnet to moult out topper; approval; yours first; also two large single breeding cages and one large Goldfinch breeder, with partition, and two bow-fronted Crested show cages, all grand condition; offers: Roger Cragg, 132, Queen's-rd., Hastings. (193)

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COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's Bird seeds and foods, good commission: Trower, 442, Caledonian-rd., London.

Aquarium.

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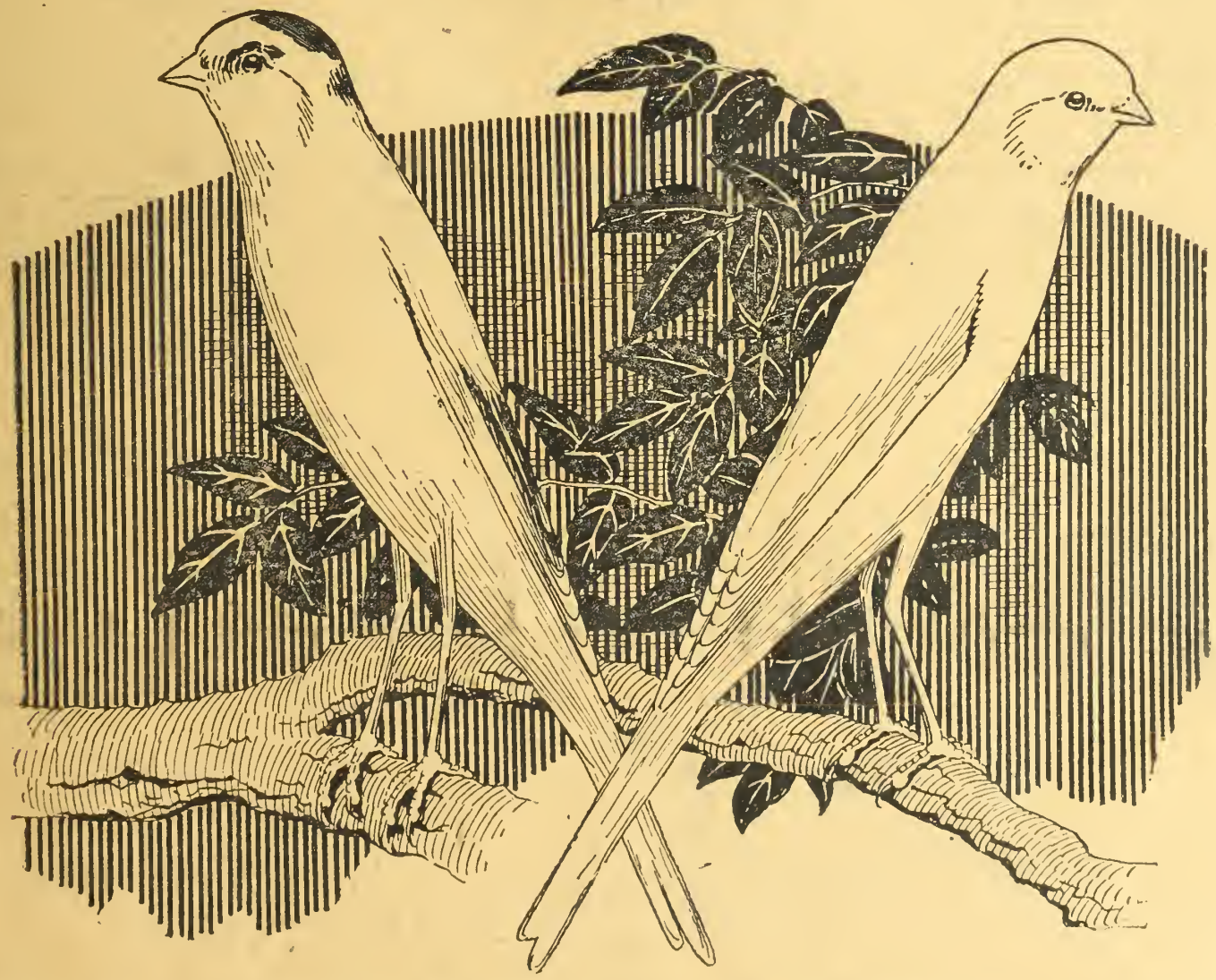

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HIGH-CLASS Crests; few pairs of large well-matched Crests, paired to breed something good; single Crested and Crestbred cocks, best blood in England, very reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 32, Colborn-st., Wells-rd., Nottingham. (199)

A. LISTER, 106, Rectory-rd., Gateshead, has a very large stock of Crests and Crestbreds, cocks or hens, for disposal at reasonable prices; green, clear and variegated; 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 35/-, 40/-, 45/-, 50/-, 60/-, 70/-, 80/- each; approval.

NOT mythical birds.—Crests and Crested-breds at exceptionally favourable prices; in fact, 50 per cent. and more below value; including clear bodies, with dark and grizzle Crests, also a lot of Crested-bred hens; state requirements; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Crests, very heavily feathered, rare type and quality of feather, certain to breed winners, Palace winning strain, only 17/6; honestly worth £2; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (208)

PAIR Crests, ready to nest, 1914 bred, 20/-, bargain; Green Crested cock, in rattling song, 7/6, bargain; several young Crest-bred cocks, 12/6 to 17/6; Yorkshire hen, 3/6; all large healthy birds, bred from winning strain; cold room, ready to nest; approval, or will exchange for painters' materials, brushes, varnishes, anything useful; must clear: Bale, Decorator, 55, Newport-rd., Barnstaple. (211)

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

Has several good Crest cocks, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; also Crest and Crest-bred hens, 15/-, 20/-; Crestbred cocks, 12/6, 15/-; week's approval: 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (210)

Lancashires.

THREE Lancashire Plainhead cocks, 10/- each, or 27/6 the lot: Green's strain; approval: Withers, 21, Oxford-rd., Ealing. (215)

BUFF Lancashire coppy cock, 1914 bred, 15/-; or exchange two Crested hens: Russell, 14, Windborne-st., Hulmehall-lane, Manchester. (218)

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And this most wonderful collection can BE SEEN.

The quality I send you with anything you can get elsewhere at anything like similar prices; that for great value is the only true test of cheapness. I therefore invite you to test my statements by having any of the following on approval, as all at their respective prices are undeniable bargains.

NORWICH Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. These cocks at 15/- and 20/- are well worth 50/- to 100/-. Good Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- up.

YORKSHIRES The Value I am now offering in Yorkshires must be seen to be believed. Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; Hens, 3/-, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 20/- up. These include many grand birds. Cages in all cases 3d.

For all other varieties and prices, see my 1915 Detailed Illustrated List.

Feeding Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each.

W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, NORWICH.

Lizards.

GIVING up, for sale, 3 Lizard cocks, 6 hens, good birds, sacrifice 35/-; for particulars: Apply, Heap, 99, Bridgefield, Glossop. (209)

W. P. BARNES has one of the best strain of Lizards in England at prices half their value, winner at all England shows, championships, trophy and medals every bird; approval: 23a, London-rd., Grantham.

GEORGE NAYLOR has 2 Silver cocks to spare and 3 Silver hens, good birds; cocks, 7/6 and 10/6; hens, 4s. each to clear; also 2 buff Plainhead cocks and 1 buff Plainhead hen, 7/6 each: No. 1, Cambridge-pl., Rochdale. (215)

W. P. BARNES, Breeder champion Lizards, winner Lancashire and Lizard Club Championship trophy, 1913-14 cocks, from 8/6; hen from 5/-; properly matched pairs from 15/-; approval: 23a, London-rd., Grantham. (1995)

Greens.

TWO self green yellow Norwich, cocks, and one foul, 10/- to 15/- each: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (195)

WANTED, two big 1914 green Norwich cocks; exchange three Norwich hens, English lever watch, good time-keeper: Kendrick, Monument Hill, Weybridge. (216)

NORWICH Greens. 4 yellow cocks, unflighted; 5 buff ditto; 6 buff hens, 1914. Yorkshire Greens: 3 buffs, show birds, several yellow hens; reasonable to clear; no single hens; G.C., a cup winner, 1915: F. Handley, 23, Coventry-rd., Wavertree, Liverpool. (157)

Norwich.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

J. C. BARNES, Norwich and Yorkshire specialist. Winner of numerous silver cups, medals, etc.; well-known strains. Better blood unobtainable. Grand specimens to spare; both varieties; reasonable; approval; inspection cordially invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

J. HODDER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of championships at Palace, etc.; good typical birds at reasonable prices; approval, stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

JUDGE SILK, 27, St. Michel's Rd., Aldershot, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich, winner at all leading shows; inspection invited; show and stock birds at reasonable prices; approval.

WANTED Norwich Canaries: Enock Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

PAIR Norwich, nesting, and breeding cage, sell cheap: 136, Sutton-rd., Southend. (213)

GREEN Norwich cock, big bird, 10/6: S. Lavell, 16, Nursery-rd., Bishops Stortford, Herts. (205)

SIX grand buff hens, anxious to nest, 3/- each, 15/- lot: W. Marjoram, 24, Central-rd., Leiston, Suffolk. (199)

A FEW high-class Norwich to dispose of; reasonable approval: Taylor, County Band, Blackpool. (212)

1914 CLEAR buff Norwich cock, full loud song, 7/6; cash or deposit: Wilson, 68, Allen-st., Maidstone. (215)

W. CROSLING has two Norwich buff marked hens for sale, 3/6 each, a bargain: 8, Fern-st., Darlington.

BIG buff 1913 Norwich cock, good feeder and stock bird, bargain 7/6: Eddy, Bellevue-terrace, Penzance. (214)

A FEW buff Norwich hens, also two buff cocks; particulars; stamp reply: McLennan, 16, Market-st., Forres. (218)

A FEW strong, healthy yellow and buff hens, 4/- each, cold-room bred: Miss A. Fooks, Brentwood, Essex. (213)

MRS. JAMES BANKS has still a few yellow and buff cocks and hens to dispose of: 51, Balhousie-st., Perth, Scotland. (192)

J. LITCHFIELD, 32, Tennyson-rd., Luton, has four large buff cocks to part with, 10/- each, worth double; approval. (214)

THIRTY Canaries; must clear before breeding; 10/6, 12/6 pair; high-class Yorkshire hens, 4/- to 7/6: Spann, Styvichale. (216)

NORWICH hens, also Yorkshires, 3/-; Norwich cock, 6/6, full song; breeding cage, 2/-: Lea, 55, Waterloo-square, Camberwell. (215)

SEVERAL young Norwich hens, strong, healthy, 2/6 each, four 9/-; satisfaction guaranteed: S. Smith, 10, Waterloo-st., Hove. (215)

TYPICAL buff cock, 10/6, from winners; ditto one yellow, 3 buff hens, 4/- each; approval. Derwent House, Hebburn. (214)

SPLENDID healthy 1914 Norwich cocks, 5/-, 5/6; hens, 2/6, 3/-; outdoor aviary bred: Morley, Baker, Linton, Cambs. (212)

TWO pairs left, 25/- and 30/-, best of health and breeding condition, approval: Robson, 28, Camden grove, Peckham, London. (216)

HALFORD, 10, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak.—Norwich cocks and hens, cock Goldfinches, hen Bullfinches; inspection invited.

LARGE clear buff cock, variegated yellow hen, large and typical, 15/-, worth 25/-; approval: Shaw, 33, Church-st., Basingstoke. (211)

BUFF Crested hen, 4/6; buff cock, songster, 7/6; also breeding and other cages, as new, cheap: Page, 339, St. Albans-rd., Watford. (210)

NORWICH and Yorkshire cold-room bred, cocks, 7/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 3/6; matched pairs, 12/6: Bright, Rushey Green, Catford, S.E. (214)

BIG, typical Norwich, yellows, buffs, cocks from 7/-, hens 3/6 upwards; approval: Silver, 102, Richmond-rd., Earls Court, London. (214)

A FEW good yellow hens and buff cocks, also cages and utensils; lot for disposal, seen any time: S. Ward, 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico. (155)

CHAMPION Norwich, cup winners, cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-; approval; cold-room: William Phipps, 16, Millplatt, Isleworth. (186)

UNFLIGHTED cocks; clear yellow, 10/-; yellow marked, 10/-; clear buff, 8/6; cash, deposit: Twine, 55, Allen-st., Hucknall Torkard. (215)

NOTICE; grand lot Norwich, for show or breeding, prices ow; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

CLEAR yellow hen, highly commended, and few show cage, 5/-; exchange Roller, dictionary, etc.: Gardener, Tranmere, Colwyn, Wales. (211)

BARGAINS, massive yellow and variegated buff hen, 5/6 each, winning strain; approval willingly: Garner, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (210)

THREE buff and one yellow unflighted colour-fed Norwich cocks, large typical birds, 10/- each; approval: Holt, 72, Suffield-rd., Gorleston-on-Sea. (208)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, cocks or hens, very large and grand type; judge of many shows; reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 32, Colborn-st., Nottingham.

GRAND typical unflighted variegated buff hen, good head and neck, short wings, rare feather, bargain, 10/-: George Baxter, Highfield, Fochabers, N.B.

I HAVE a few grand Norwich buff hens, 4/-, 5/- each; one yellow, 4/-; 4 yellows, 5/- each; all young hens: Crossman, 9, Hampton-st., Northampton.

VARIEGATED cock, 1913, fine singer, 7/6; buff hen, 1912, 3/6; would exchange for good Crestbred hen, worth 10/-: M., 46, Tower-rd. West, St. Leonard's-on-Sea. (217)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich yellow and buff cocks, very large and grand type, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- each; about half value: Keynes, Kington, St. Michael, Chippenham. (211)

F. J. LACCOHEE have only a few yellow and buff cocks and hens left, all good stock birds, and full value, from 10/6; approval: 92, St. George-st., Norwich. (216)

HAVING paired up, have 5 pairs good Norwich buff cocks, yellows hens, 25/- to 30/- pair, cash or deposit: Lovegrove, 43, King's-road, Henley-on-Thames. (210)

BIG high-class Norwich, two buff hens, 10/-; yellow variegated cock, 7/6; or exchange anything useful: Middleton, Cricketers' Arms, Lowmoor Side, Holbeck, Leeds. (214)

NORWICH. Few good ones left from winners; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning inspection: Roberts, 39, Ossington-st., Bayswater. (200)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each; satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

GIVING up, a few exceedingly good pairs of thick-set Norwich left, cheap, Palace strain, several cold cocks, and hens, must clear: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (214)

NORWICH pairs, yellow cock, buff variegated hen, 20/-; buff cock, yellow hen, unflighted, 20/-; approval; stamp reply: Calderwood, 65, St. Andrew-st., Kilmarnock, Scotland. (126)

LARGE typical Norwich buff and yellow cocks, 10/- each; buff and yellow hens 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit system: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (196)

CHAMPION Norwich, several monster yellow and buff cocks, price 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 21/- each; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (208)

LARGE buff variegated Norwich cock, good head, neck, flights, 50/-, or exchange clear yellow cock, equal value, particularly strong head properties: Kerr, Richmond-rd., New Barnet. (210)

FEW pure-bred Norwich yellow and buff cocks for disposal, well-built, typical birds, from 12/6; hens from 6/-; exceptional bargains; cash or deposit: J. Bateman, 12, Greaves-st., Todmorden. (206)

GREAT clearance sale; Russell and Teasdale's whole stock, including their noted winners at all the leading shows of the North; prices, 10/- to 100/-: Bouch-st., Bearpark, Durham.

HARLAND'S champion Norwich for disposal, yellow and buff cocks (unflighted), 15/6, 17/6, 20/- each; also few good pairs, matched, 20/-, 25/-, and 30/- pair; exchange: Geo. Harland, 63, Welbeck-st., Hull.

GRAND Norwich, large unflighted and year-old birds; cocks 7/6, 10/- upwards; hens, 3/6, 5/-, ditto; cash; approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester, close to Midland Station. (196)

HENS, hens, hens; can spare few yellow and buffs at 5/- to 10/-; yellow, extra large, good headed hen, at 20/-; no better blood pay what price you will; approval: Wm. Bowyer, Gladstone-st., Leek, Staffs.

FOR disposal, 3 buff cocks, 3 buff hens, 5 yellow hens, cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-, of good quality and typical birds; exceptional bargains; approval willingly; S.N.P.C., Withers, 21, Oxford-rd., Ealing.

VERY few left; 1913 buff cock grand stock bird, 15/-; one ditto yellow, 13/6; one unflighted buff cock, 12/6; two ditto, 7/6 each; grandest value ever offered in Norwich: A. Scott, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster.

CLEARING of Norwich, reduced prices; three good buff cocks, 10/- each; three yellow variegated, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; two buff variegated, 12/6, 15/-; see wins Carlisle, Glasgow: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle. (216)

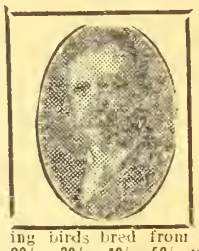
MISS GWYN has grand unflighted cocks from 10/6; certain to breed winners; healthy typical hens from 5/6; very large buffs, 8/6 and 12/6; splendid buff cock, 25/-; approval: Somerville, N. Avenue, Ramsgate. (198)

NOTICE.—Several grand yellow and buff Norwich, stock cocks and hens, from best blood, 10/- to 15/-, cheap; also a few young healthy Roller hens, good feeders, cheap to clear; approval, deposit: W. J. Porter, 47, Ebenezer-st., Langley Mill, Notts. (214)

CHAMPION Norwich, several judiciously matched pairs, high-class Norwich Plainheads, only 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, and 21/- pair, rare size, type, colour and quality, certain to breed winners; cold-room bred from the best blood in the Fancy; rare chance for beginners; satisfaction guaranteed; approval.—Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (208)

HOW TO SPEND EASTER

Special Invitation to all Fanciers.



I beg to inform all fanciers that I shall be at home during the Easter holidays, and I extend a very cordial invitation to one and all to pay a visit to my rooms. Whether you require birds or not I shall be equally pleased to show you round. I have 16 large rooms, stocked with an exceptionally large and choice collection of all varieties of Canaries and Mules.

If you are requiring any variety of Canary, come and make your own selection, but if unable to do so I shall be pleased to send one or more to any address in the kingdom, on 10 days' approval at my sole risk. The following are a few prices:—

CHAMPION NORWICH (The Bull Dog Strain).

The above strain needs no bounce. Their winnings for the past few years are sufficient proof that there is no better blood in the fancy. I am now offering birds bred from this strain at **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-** each. Matched Breeding Pairs, **20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-** per pair upwards.

I have also a few good birds bred from other well-known strains at following prices:—**Smart Thick-set Cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Good Cobby Hens, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Matched Breeding Pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-** per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, **7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. **Erect racy Hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. Matched Breeding Pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES,** bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, **10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** each upwards.

MARCH, 1915. UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. MARCH, 1915.

The following testimonials (in addition to scores of others (which are filed here for the inspection of all visitors) have been received during the last week:—

559, Dumbarton Road, Partick.—The pair of **Norwich** and **Songster** arrived safe, and I am delighted with them. You have treated me like a gentleman. I have had dealings with many bird fanciers, and you have been the best of them all.—Donald Crnickshank to Joe Thomas.

13, West Stewart Street, Greenock.—Just received the **Clear Yellow Norwich Cock,** and am delighted with him. He was not 5 minutes in the house before he was singing beautifully. I have already recommended two or three others to you. Thanking you for punctual delivery.—James McMahon to Joe Thomas.

10, Gray Street, Clowne, Chesterfield.—I have received the pair of **Yorkshires** quite safe, and am very pleased with same. They are a grand pair at the price, and if I want any more you will get my order.—C. Henshaw to Joe Thomas.

12, Park Avenue, Oswestry.—The **Yorkshire and Roller** hens arrived safe, and I am very pleased with them. I thank you for your straightforward dealing.—John Roberts to Joe Thomas.

8, Church Square, Tredegar, S. Wales.—Birds arrived safe on the 24th, and give greatest of satisfaction. They are good value for the money, and I shall always recommend you to my friends.—W. Lilley to Joe Thomas.

New Street, Underwood, Notts.—Received birds quite safe, and delighted with them. They are a well shaped pair and well matched. Thanking you for prompt attention.—C. H. Woodhouse to Joe Thomas.

29, Mill Street, Waterside, Londonderry.—I received bird in good condition after its long journey. It is **worth double the money,** and I shall recommend you to every one I know.—Joseph Burns to Joe Thomas.

56, O'Connell Street, Waterford, Ireland.—The pair Yorkshire arrived safely in splendid condition. Thanks for prompt dispatch and careful packing.—Thos. Phelan to Joe Thomas.

The above are a fair sample of letters I receive by every post from all over the kingdom, and only considerations of space prevent me from printing scores weekly. **Please remember this, however: I guarantee the same absolute satisfaction to every customer.**

ROLLERS, MULES, CRESTS, BORDER FANCIES, &c.

British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, **10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each. **Hens same pure strain, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. Matched Pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- 30/-.**

Mules.—Over 100 Goldfinch Mule cocks, in full song, **7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-** each.

CRESTS AND CRESTBREDS.—I am exceptionally well placed at present as regards this variety, having acquired the stocks of some well-known breeders. I have some exceptionally large, massive birds, with plenty of feather, including some that can win. Crested Cocks, **10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-** each. Crested Hens, **8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-** each. Crestbred Cocks, **8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-** each. Crestbred Hens, **5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** each. Matched Breeding Pairs, personally selected, **15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-** per pair upwards.

MULING HENS.—Large, healthy, Sib.-bred Muling Hens, in perfect condition, **4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-** each. These I can specially recommend to Mule breeders.

BORDER FANCIES.—Grand, smart, typical birds, real "Wee Gems," full of life and vigour, and bred from well-known winning strains. Cocks, in full song, **6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-** each. Hens, in perfect health and condition, **3/-, 3/6 4/-, 5/-, 7/6** each. Matched Breeding Pairs, **8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-** per pair.

SONGSTERS! SONGSTERS!! SONGSTERS!!!—Champion song cocks, in full free song, **7/6, 8/6,** and **10/6** each. Sure to give satisfaction. Approval anywhere.

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OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

GRAND pair, well-bred Norwich, 12/6; also pair Crests, matched for breeding, bred from winners, 15/-; the above are offered very cheap to make room; approval for cash: Dawson, Blyburgate, Beccles. (212)

NORWICH.—Having paired up, can spare few grand quality unflighted buff cocks, clear and marked, bred from yellows, 6/6, 8/6; few buff hens, 3/6, 5/-; approval: A. Cratchley, Victoria-st., Melbourne, Derbyshire. (208)

NORWICH, 5 hens, 2/6 each; 2 cocks, 5/- each; all clears, guaranteed healthy, breeding condition; or £1 lot, including good aviary, 23 by 24 inches: Warner, Cyprus Cottage, Dennis-rd., East Molesey, Surrey, Hampton Court. (211)

TWO champion pairs Lancashire, also few odd hens to clear them out for Roller breeding; pairs, 25/- each; odd hens from 7/6 each; no rubbish; genuine; subject to approval: R. Bumly, 7, Worsley-st., Pendlebury, nr. Manchester. (217)

W. MILES, Aviaries, Chichester, has large unflighted buff cock, 25/-; wing-marked ditto, a model, 30/-; clear buff hen, winner 5 firsts, 55/-; large clear yellow cock, winner, rare head and ticked buff hen, 40/- pair; approval. (213)

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Norwich Plainheads, rare size, type and quality, certain to breed winners, only 12/6; honestly worth 25/-; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (208)

TWO very choice yellow cocks, 1914 bred, 15/- each; two ditto clear buff hens, 10/- each; medium size, full of quality, short flights, typical specimens, Baker and Hodder strain; on approval: Wickham, Boatswain and Call, Rainham-rd., Chatham. (214)

MR. C. W. SILK has some high-class Norwich for disposal. This strain has won at all the leading shows in England. I have some good cocks or hens from 10/- to 60/-; also matched pairs from 20/- to 80/-; approval willingly: Gleurosa, Emsworth. (213)

BLUCK'S Norwich, advertised last week all sold, a few good pairs left in yellow cocks and buff hens, lovely feather, good type, healthy, young birds, from 20/- pair; also variegated Buff cocks, from 15/-; approval, deposit: 3, Westbourne-terrace, Hove. (214)

NORWICH Canaries, 1/1½, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over. CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London.

CHAMPION exhibition, 1914 buff Norwich cock, grand size, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 15/-, honestly worth double; also smart, typical 1914 yellow hen, full of quality, feathered like silk, only 10/6, or 21/- the pair; also large, typical 1914 yellow cock, rare type and quality, good size and substance, only 10/6; also choice 1914 buff hen, real model for type and quality, only 7/6 or 15/- the pair; also several other monster yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 21/- each; also yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, and 15/- each; all are clean, strong, and healthy, are cold-room bred from the best blood in the fancy; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-road, Norwich. (198)

POWICK'S CHAMPION NORWICH

The same strain as the winners at all leading shows; cocks, large typical birds, good head and colour, 10/6; hens 5/6, 7/6 each; pairs mated to breed at once, 10/6, 15/6: a few winners 20/- pair; all honestly worth double; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (158)

ABSOLUTE BARGAIN

Handsome Norwich or Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; lovely hens, 3/6, 4/-, 4/6, 5/-; pairs, ready immediate breeding, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; travelling cages, 4d.; all pink of condition; approval willingly: R. Hanford, Derby.

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

Has still a large stock of pure Norwich, cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; week's approval; deposit: 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (210)

PURE-BRED NORWICH AND YORKSHIRES

Direct from last few years' Crystal Palace strains, have proofs: yellow or buff cocks, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 30 years: J. Sandiford, Canary Breeder, Preston.

J. C. BARNES

Norwich specialist, 25 years' study, winner of many cups, etc., including Sheffield Challenge Cup (three years in succession); can spare few grand specimens, true type, A1 quality and colour, plenty of substance and correct carriage; cocks, 20/- up; hens ditto; several extra good pairs, £3 to £5; approval; inspection invited: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

VARDY'S Champion Strain

large, variegated buff cock, extra good stock bird, 30/-; also clear yellow cock, nice type, quality and winner at local shows, 25/-; also nice yellow tick cock, good stock bird, nice quality, 15/-; also yellow green cock, nice stock bird, 10/-; approval. W. Vardy, The Aviaries, Huthwaite, Notts. (214)

SELLING OFF!

all but three pairs owing to removal. My noted strain birds from my winners at Manchester, Liverpool, Bradford National, Scotch National, etc.; buff cocks, grand size, broad heads, superb type, 10/- upwards; worth double; buff hens, exquisite type and quality, from 8/6; approval; a few pairs from 25/-, worth 60/-; best chance for novices this season; genuine sale.

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BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show, 1913. (18101)

RHODE'S Gluck and Water Gluck, Randall's strain direct, B.R.C.C. rung, winners of cups, gold, silver, bronze medals; cocks from 15/-; hens, 5/-; approval: 40, James-st., Bilston. (90)

MISS THOMAS, Breeder, trainer, Seifert Rollers, finest strain, masters; hens from 3/6, deposit: Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth.

ROLLER cocks in song, 3/9, 4/9, and 5/9, hens 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (198)

SEIFERT Rollers; two good cocks, 6/6 each; also four young hens, 2/6 each: Gray, Warthill Station, York. (215)

GLUCKE Roller hens, cold-room bred, 2/6 each, Randall's strain; cocks all sold: Perks, 1, Bank-st., Lye, Stourbridge. (215)

HENS ready for breeding, pure cold-room bred Rollers, Randall's, 2/6 each: Close, 33, Chesterfield-rd., Blackpool. (215)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Fould's strain, cocks 10/6, 12/6; hens 3/6, 4/6; club rung: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (194)

BEST quality rape for Roller fanciers, 4/- per stone, 30/- per cwt.; samples sent: Ives, 85, Legsby-avenue, Grimsby. (207)

T. HOCKING offers last two pairs of deep Glucke Rollers, 1914 rung, at 25/- a pair to clear: 21, Manor-place, Walworth, London. (214)

FEW young Roller cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-; splendid breeders and songsters: Apply, Pearson, 225, Hales-owen-rd., Old Hill, Staffs. (209)

PURE Seifert Rollers, own breeding, cocks in full song, 7/6; hens, 2/6; condition perfect: Sheph rd-Smith, Colwall, Malvern. (207)

ROLLERS, Rochl's strain hens, 4/6, two cocks 12/6 each; approval, deposit: L. Wade, 65, Brading-rd., Brixton Hill (letters only). (116)

WANTED, four cold-room 1914 bred Roller Canaries; state lowest cash price: Griffiths, Clevedon, Tettenhall-rd., Wolverhampton. (212)

NOTICE; grand lot day and gaslight Rollers, full song, reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

1914 ROLLER hens, pure Fould's, by big contest winner, 4/-, 5/- each; exchange cocks; approval: Harry Smith, Connah's Quay, Chester. (211)

WATER Glucke Rollers, good strain; cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 15/- upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/- each; approval: Bennett, 1, Greenhow View, Burley, Leeds. (164)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, all sold, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

TWO pairs left; Dr. Read's noted winning strain, 1914, water Glucke cocks, 12/-; hens to match, nesting condition, 3/6 each: Smith, Morton-parade, Wakefield. (212)

OWING to owner being at the front, 18 two-year-old hens, Glucke strain, good cold-room bred, 4/-; not tried last year: J. Baker, 23, George-st., Worcester. (209)

FOR sale, my fourth and special for hollow roll at Birmingham 1914, and two good hens, price £2 the lot: C. Portlock, 8, Combe-st., New Cleethorpes, Grimsby. (212)

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PURE Randall's; the strain that won for Mr. Ives 1,100 song points, 13 medals, 7 cups, last season; all cocks sold, only 4 hens left, 7/6 each, B.R.C.C. rung: Wilson, 421, Weelsby-st., Grimsby. (212)

SIX pairs Glucke Rollers, Randall's strain, 12/6 pair; cocks, 10/-; hens, 3/6; B.R.C.C rung; bred from winners; cash offers for lot: C. Nicholls, Claremont Villa, Dawson-rd., Kingston-on-Thames. (210)

W. MORRIS has four cocks left, £2 the lot: hens 4/-, 5/- each; Willows strain; the same as my winners of a cup, three large silver medals, and several other special prizes: 86, Dale-st., Wrexham.

A. GOODING, 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London, has a few cocks for disposal, bred from the same strain as his 3rd and best Hollow Glucke at the International show; cocks from 15/-; approval; B.R.C.C. (144)

LAST season I won prizes at the following shows: Leeds, L.C.B.A., Grimsby, Bolton, Scottish National, Rosendale, Provincial and International shows this season, in prizes every time; cocks, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 5/-: Best, 5, Alma-place, Beckett-st., Leeds. (210)

HENS, Hens, Hens. Champion Glucke, Water Glucke strain, cheap to clear for breeding; also few schoolmasters, contest singers, with good hollow roll, bass, schockel, glucke, water glucke, flutes, bell, tour; approval: Walton, 6, Cross Green-cres., Leeds. (197)

TO Breeders: 1914 cold bred Rollers, F. Sels Sons, Antwerp, strain: cocks, lusty songsters, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; healthy hens, 2/6, 3/6; matched pairs from 9/6; Crested cocks, 10/6, 15/-; hens, 4/6, 5/6; offers; perfect breeding strains: H. E. Smith, Manager, 62, Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, S.E. (215)

H. POWELL won 1st and special at International London last week, the 19th and 20th February: other wins: ex. 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 3rd, ex. 3rd, 4th, 4th, 4th, and 14 spl. prizes, including silver medals at Midland, Provincial, and Bolton shows, and 2nd team class, City of Birmingham; cocks from 30/-, hens 12/6: 381, High-st., West-Bromwich. (113)

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Genuine Rollers of best strains known; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6. A grand lot of hens, every bird guaranteed untried, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each, equal to those sold at much higher prices. Cages, 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

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Only 210 Cocks, No. III.
Nothing more. Nothing less.

The 210 cocks were sold inside two hours, cash here. There is a great difficulty now in collecting these birds, and the expenses are out of all proportion to the profits obtained. I am therefore obliged to charge as follows for those arriving on April 5:—

Note Alteration in Prices.

Hens, No. I. class, to match Cocks I. class, 3/- each. Ordinary Cocks, 2 in wicker cage, 3/-; 14 in 7 cages, 13/8. The lowest price per 100 is 1/4 each; next week, 1/6 each.

Cocks No. I., 12/- each; 7 in 7 cages, 60/-. These are birds with surpassing singing powers. They mostly have soft, sweet musical notes, and improve day by day. Universal satisfaction given.

Only 100 expected.

Cocks No. II., 7/6 each; 7 in 7 cages, 42/-. These are the birds usually advertised having the Nightingale and Woodlark note, with sundry other qualifications.

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I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and price are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Cocks with full change of song by day or artificial light, price according to quality of song. Cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, a few extra good songsters 12/6 each. I have none of the common half-bred rubbish, but have a few classic hens, 2/6, 3/- each. High-class typical Yorkshires, cocks 8/6, 10/6, hens 3/6, 4/-, 4/6; matched breeding pairs, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; also Norwich same prices. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages 3d. each, 3/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: L. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

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SCOTCH Fancies for sale, giving up the Fancy: A. Dunbar, The Terrace, Penryn, Cornwall. (190)

FOR sale, cocks, yellows and buffs, 15/- to 25/-. Thomson, 15, Station-rd., Craigmillar, Midlothian. (217)

SCOTCH Fancies, a few good birds, reasonable; approval; no yellow hens: Phillips, 18, Westendpark-st., Glasgow, Back. (143)

SCOTCH Fancies, 1914 bred, one yellow cock, one buff hen, good birds, seen any time; no approval; stamp reply: John Muir, 5, Bridge-st., Kirkwall. (192)

Yorkshires.

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MESSRS. AMBLERS, Yorkshire Specialists, unbeatable 30 years, championship, best in show, Palace, 1914. Some of the best living for disposal, wonderful length and quality; approval: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

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YORKSHIRES, 10 pairs, 10/- pair; single hens, 3/-: "Breeder," 14, Herbert-rd., Bowes Park, N. (208)

CLEAR yellow cock, good stock bird, 7/6: M., Ipmister, Tower-rd, West, S. Leonards-on-Sea.

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

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I am now offering a very choice collection of grand healthy hens, every one guaranteed strong and vigorous, in perfect feather and condition, and ready to nest, at following prices:—

YORKSHIRE HENS, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

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PRIZE-BRED Yorkshires, few left, cocks from 8/6, hens 4/6; breeding cages, cheap: Goodwin, 136, Wareham-st., Kennington, S.E. (210)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, all my well-known stock for sale; cocks, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 4/-, 7/6; James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (214)

CLEAR Yorkshire hen, 4s.; cocks, 8s.; from winners; breeding cages, 3/6: Wilson, The Hollies, Poplar-rd., Ashford, Middlesex. (209)

TEN Yorkshire hens, yellow and buff, to clear, 2/6 each; £1 the lot; bargains: Gant, 112, Churchfield-rd., Acton, London, W. (213)

WANTED, pair coal-room 1914 bred Yorkshire Canaries, state lowest cash price: Griffiths, Clevedon, Tettenhall-rd., Wolverhampton. (211)

YORKSHIRE hens, Crisp's strain, 4/-: large, colour-fed Norwich cock, 8/6; inspection: Lettis, 2a, Lismore-Circus, Gospel Oak, N.W. (214)

TWO unflighted typical Yorkshire hens, ready to nest, 6/- each, or exchange for buff cock: Bonniwell, 63, St. Quintin-ave., North Kensington. (210)

LENGTHY, erect Yorkshire cocks, in full song, 8/6 each; hens 4/6; keen to mate (1914): Cobley, 69, High-lane, Chorlton-c-Hardy, Manchester. (209)

NOTICE; grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

EYE and wing marked yellow Yorkshire hen, 7/6; clear buff cock, 7/6; yellow variegated cock, 10/-: Maddocks, Cowley Manor Gardens, Cheltenham. (213)

PRIESTLEY'S high-class Yorkshires, splendid length, type, and quality; cocks from 6/-; hens from 3/-; cash or deposit: 121, Gaythorne-rd., Bradford. (185)

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MAGNIFICENT pair long unflighted Yorkshires, good yellow cock to buff hen, clears, pair worth any person's attention, 13/6: Craven, Yelverton-ter., Plymouth. (215)

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TO clear quickly, 5 pairs Yorkshires, fine feather, cocks full song, 10/6 pair; worth double; 3 pairs, 12/6 pair; odd cocks 7/6; hens 5/-; approval: Gamble, 9, Prison Quarters, Winchester. (193)

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YORKSHIRES; to breed winners, I have still a few yellow and buff cocks left, all in high breeding condition; will sacrifice at half value to make room: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (178)

TWO grand ticked yellow cocks, £1, and 15/- each; ticked buff cock, 15/-; four others, one yellow, three buffs, 10/- each; few good hens, 5/- each: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, near Huddersfield. (211)

TEN pairs Yorkshires, lovely feather, good type, from 15/- pair; giving up for Norwich; approval; deposit; satisfaction guaranteed (see Norwich advert.): Black, 3, Westbourne-terrace, Hove. (215)

YORKSHIRE cocks, 10/6; hens, 3/6; buffs, yellows, matched pairs, unrelated, 12/6; cold room; appointment daylight only; Linnet Mule, cock, make winner, 7/6. Rowles, Bristow-rd., Hounslow. (214)

YORKSHIRES for sale, yellows, buff and marked cocks from 10/6, hens from 4/6, splendid type and quality, breeding condition; seen any time; approval, deposit. H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon (203)

WANTED, a reliable fancier or breeder to supply 12 pairs of good, clean, saleable, colour-fed, or unfed Yorkshire Canaries, weekly, for the season: Seward Menagerie, Hatton Garden, Liverpool. Tel. 6260 Cen. (214)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; several 7ins. long; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 15/6 upwards; hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (212)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from my challenge cup winners; cocks 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, upwards; lovely hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; pairs, champion stock birds, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-, upwards; approval; carriage paid: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge. (199)

GIVING up, yellow Yorkshire cock, winner of two 1sts, 15/-; clear buff hen, to match, Ogden strain, 7/6, or 20/- the pair; one Cinnamon-marked buff hen, rather small, 3/6; one variegated buff hen, 3/6; all in breeding condition: East, 53, Victoria-rd., Bournemouth. (215)

MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (27)

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A few real good young hens from 3/- to 30/- each, to clear at once; also one or two winning cocks, real good show stock, birds reasonable; seven days' approval: Dudley-hill, Bradford.

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Winner, cinnamon marked, £10 10s. competition. I have still the following hens to dispose of: yellow one each, at 15/- and 10/-; two at 7/6; buffs, one at 20/-, two at 15/-; three at 10/- and two at 7/6; all untried and ready for nest; send cash with order; money returned at once if birds not suitable: Address, 5, Ash-st., Crosshills, nr. Keighley.

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Various Canaries.

A FEW good Norwich and Yorkshire hens to clear: O. Hagan, 50, Monkton-rd., Jarrow. (209)

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cage bird food with added egg; keeps birds warm, healthy; dealers, 2d.; 1/6; if direct, postage extra: Liverine, Grimsby.

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PINK-EYED Hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

WANTED, all kinds of Mules on full song: Enock Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, E.

TWICE house-moulted cock Goldfinch, grand, large bird, for Mule breeding, 12/6: Thomas, 387, High rd., Leyton, E. (210)

EVEN marked Roller-Norwich cross, in full song, 6/-; ditto hens from 2/-; approval: G. Polley, Castle-rd., Kenilworth. (214)

THREE muling cock Goldfinches, 15/-; exchange Norwich cock and hen; full value: R. Heffernau, Coolaney, Co. Sligo. (206)

TWO grand cock Goldfinch Mules, 6/6 each; or exchange house-moulted Linnets; offers: Steele, 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester. (206)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

MULING. Two Yorkshire, 1 Norwich hens, 2 Goldfinches, bred last year, 1 Goldfinch-Canary Mule cock, 2 breeding cages; offers: Phillips, Gwyddelwern, Corwen. (207)

LARGE pink-eyed Sib. bred hens, sure light mule breeders, yellows 7/6, buffs 5/6; cocks, full song, 7/6; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (158)

LIGHT Mules, giving up, few left, exhibition specimens, from 10/- to 15/- each, worth double; stamp: F. G. Bartlett, 32, Royal York Crescent, Clifton, Bristol. (214)

FOR sale, very large outside aviary, well made, movable, with muling pairs, breed Mules in same; also breeding cages and flight; new last season: T. Stokoe, 2, North-st., Winlaton. (211)

1913 MULING cock Linnet, bred 16 Mules last year, pure Roller hen, 1914, Randall's, in breeding condition, ready to nest, 7/6 the pair; approval with pleasure anywhere: Wilsher, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham (214)

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Twitterings.

I think it is splendid the way you keep Cage Birds going during this bad time.—M. Maxwell-Jackson (Harrogate).

When the annual balance sheet of Coventry Godiva C.B.S. was audited we had the nice amount of £5 13s. cash in hand to start the season, writes Mr. H. Saunders, late Hon. Sec.

Schedules for Portmadoc Cage Birds, etc., show, to be held May 14, will be ready next week, we learn from the sec., Mr. D. R. Evans, Llys Dewi, Borth-y Gest, near Portmadoc, N. Wales.

Will all members of the Cinnamon C.C. who have not paid their sub. for 1914 kindly forward on same so that I can make up books for the year, and get out balance sheet as soon as possible, writes Mr. W. E. Seed, sec.

We are having a meeting on April 10 in the Wesleyan Schoolroom at 7, writes Mr. J. W. Dean, hon. sec. Wombwell C.B.S., 9, Milton Street, Ship Croft, Wombwell. We have heard that one or two fanciers would like to join, but as I cannot get their addresses, I cannot write to them through the post. I will gladly give all information to anyone who would like to join us.

The Easter Holidays.

Will Advertisers, and Correspondents generally, kindly remember that all matter intended for NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE should be posted early, to reach us on Tuesday, April 6th (or Wednesday first post at latest). Queries for answer therein must reach us not later than first post, Saturday, April 3rd.

A HOLIDAY REMINDER.

Owing to the Easter Holidays, CAGE BIRDS has had to go to press one day earlier than usual this week; thus any notices, advertisements, &c., which reached us after Tuesday mid-day have had to be held over until our next number.—Editor.

At the next monthly meeting of the Northern Border Fancy C.C. at Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, Newcastle, April 7, at 7.45, Mr. Johnston, of Wallsend-on-Tyne, will deliver a lecture on the breeding and exhibiting of the green Border Fancy; all fanciers welcome, writes Mr. C. Farrer, Hon. Sec.

One of the very best of the very many beautiful pictures we have seen from the brush of Mr. H. Goodchild is the plate of the Red-tailed Minla, which forms the frontispiece to the March issue of "Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, and which illustrates an article on the species by Mr. Wesley T. Page. Mr. Page also contributes an article on the Black Tanager, with marvellous photographs by Mr. W. E. Teschemaker, and continues his record of "Visits to Members' Aviaries."

Allow me to thank you for the excellent Annual to-hand yesterday, also for the space therein devoted to the Roller. On page 37 Mr. Claude St. John writes of disposing of surplus hens as soon as the moult is over. With the ordinary singers this is quite correct. Fanciers who keep a better variety, however, will not do so until they have ascertained how, and what, the young cocks are singing, as from this they set a value on their hens.—Jos. Tomlinson (Newcastle, Staffs.).

The March issue of the "Avicultural Magazine," the organ of the Avicultural Society, is largely occupied by interesting accounts of the Kingfisher in captivity, by Messrs. G. E. Rattigan and P. F. M. Galloway respectively. Mr. Galloway writes also on the Nightjar, his contribution being illustrated by a beautiful photograph of the hen bird sitting. The account by "A French Member" of his Humming Birds is concluded, and the number contains a further instalment of Dr. E. Hopkinson's "English Names for the Parrots."

The Future of the Roller Canary in the United Kingdom.

WHY do some amongst our private breeders, and our dealers, continue to advertise their Roller Canaries under such styles as "Hartz Mountain" and "St. Andreasburg" birds? We must confess that we ourselves are unable to discover a satisfactory answer.

It may be true that such expressions have become largely trade terms, intended to convey degrees of excellence in the song of the birds rather than to denote their place of origin; but this only makes the retention of the terms less excusable than ever, for it is a tacit acknowledgment that British breeders are not as yet producing Roller Canaries the equal in song to the so-called Hartz Mountain and St. Andreasburg strains, which, we emphatically say, is not true.

Further, there is another, and highly unsatisfactory, side to the question, viz., that the use of such qualifying terms may tend to lead the outside public to think that the fanciers and dealers of this country are still engaged in the buying and selling of Roller Canaries "made in Germany." Every reader of our journal will agree that even the insinuation of such a thing would be deplorable and intolerable. So far as Cage Birds is concerned, we have taken action which we know every breeder in the Kingdom will uphold :—

No advertisements of Roller Canaries styled "Hartz Mountain" or "St. Andreasburg," will in future be permitted to appear in CAGE BIRDS.

We know that Roller songsters reach us from Holland and from Belgium—birds that are bred in those countries; and we are informed that our Russian allies have made enquiries recently through the Board of Trade, with a view to placing songsters on the English market. To the sale of these birds no exception, of course, can be taken. But such birds should be sold under names that clearly indicate their place of origin; certainly not under misleading German names.

And this brings us to the most serious of all aspects of the matter, i.e., whether Roller Canaries of unquestionable German origin have been placed on the home market this season.

It seems hardly conceivable that any of our dealers would lend themselves to the buying and selling of Canaries, the origin of which could be open to doubt—bluntly speaking, putting British money into the pocket of an unscrupulous enemy who has already cost the Motherland so dearly in the blood of her finest manhood—the blood of our friends and our relations. We are happy to be able to say at once that our enquiries have produced assurance, on no less authority than that of Scotland Yard, that such has not been the case. If ever evidence of such a detestable and un-English action should come our way, we promise the offenders instant and fearless exposure in the columns of Cage Birds and, we hope, a period of retirement at the expense of the State.

Now is the time the Roller Canary breeders of the United Kingdom should come into their own; we hope they will rise to the opportunity. There is a great demand for songsters every year; why should they not supply it? They have stock birds equal to any in the world; they are not, we are sure, lacking in brains to apply the proper methods. We may perhaps be pardoned for mentioning here that there is a contribution in Cage Birds Annual for 1915 specially written to put them on the right track.

Our representative who interviewed the officials at Scotland Yard was very courteously and frankly given some interesting information. He found that the question of the origin of the Roller Canaries—styled "Hartz Mountain," etc., though described as being Dutch or Belgian birds—now coming to England had already engaged the attention of this wide-awake department of public service. The dealers concerned in the transactions on this side had been seen, and their explanations tested; and the latter, we were glad to know, stood this test. For instance, every possible enquiry had been made by the British Consul in Holland, as the result of which he was able to give his consular certificate with every consignment of birds that left "that they did not come from or were manufactured in an enemy country."

AN ADVERTISER'S HARD LOT.

TOO MANY OF OUR READERS HAVE MONEY TO SPEND.

"SIR—I thought you would like to know that up to now I have had 43 answers to my sixpenny advert in CAGE BIRDS. It was rather unfortunate, though, for practically all sent money, and only one enclosed 1d. stamp with which to return it, so all my profit has vanished in sending back the blessed P.O.'s. I wish Sir, you would draw attention to this in your paper, and in future I shall never advertise without asking readers to enclose 1d. stamp to use if I cannot serve them."—Yours sincerely, R. KNIGHTBRIDGE (Leonard House, George Lane, South Woodford).

Kindly intimate, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, Loanhead, that I cannot see my way to accept any appointments this year as judge. I have been forced to refuse a number of shows, and this notice may save others from putting my name forward.

A Popular Fancier Ill.

Fanciers will hear with great regret of the continued illness of Mr. F. Easterling, the well-known metropolitan Yorkshire Canary enthusiast and judge. Mr. W. Gilbert writes that he recently went to see Mr. Easterling for the third time, and found him still very ill and under two doctors, so that he is afraid it will be a long business for this popular fancier.

Do Parrots Foretell Aeroplane Raids?

The French authorities have had a number of Parrots kept in the outposts of Paris, as well as on the summit of Eiffel Tower, says "Pearson's Weekly." The birds have shown a remarkable power of heralding the approach of an aeroplane when the latter has been quite invisible to trained observers stationed near. Warning is given by the birds in a peculiar way. Their feathers literally bristle with excitement, and they yell and screech until they are pacified. The extraordinary thing about this power of the Parrot is that it has nothing whatever to do with eyesight, many of the Parrots having given warning when perched away from the windows. This peculiar power of Parrots was discovered quite accidentally by the excitement they showed whenever the Paris air patrol was flying, or a raid was made by the German aircraft.

Messrs. Long and Craven, 21, Springswood Place, Shipley, are now hon. secs. of Shipley O.S., in place of Mr. E. Grange.

The present hon. sec. of the Shettleston C.B.S. is Mr. S. F. Wood, 4, Tolleross Road, Parkhead, in place of Mr. A. Berry.

The following gentlemen have consented to judge at our annual club show in Loanhead, on Saturday, Oct. 9, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, sec. Scotch Fancies, Mr. Alexr. Paterson, Edinburgh; Borders, Mr. Jas. Auld, Bannockburn; Norwich, Mules, and British, Mr. W. R. Finnie, Edinburgh. Secs. please take note.

The opening article in the March issue of "British Birds," Messrs. Witherby and Co., 326, High Holborn, one shilling monthly, is "Notes on Autumn Migration at Dungeness," which should be read by all interested in the subject. The usual monthly "Notes" are good reading, and an article by Mr. Oliver Pike on the Fulmar Petrel is illustrated by some wonderful photographs of the bird on the wing and on the nest.

White Blackbird at Bristol.

A white Blackbird has lately been seen by some of the suburban residents of Bristol. It has been suggested that the locality shall not be named. This specimen is a pure white, and has been seen with others of ordinary colour.

The Coal Hawker's Jackdaw.

A coal-hawker at Fulwell, near Sunderland, has so completely tamed a Jackdaw that the bird accompanies him on his rounds. It rides with him upon the cart, upon his shoulders, and on occasions when he is negotiating the sale of his coals it spends the waiting moments searching the road for food. When the hawker has concluded his transaction he proceeds on his way, paying, apparently, not the slightest heed to "Jack." But the bird takes good care not to be left behind, and as soon as he cart is moving again he resumes his perch on the shoulder of his master, uttering a perky "jack," "jack," as he settles down. The bird is frequently seen about the streets of the village "all on its own," and it seems to keenly appreciate the friendly interest taken in its movements by children and others.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(*Continued from page* 177.)

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Eclectus Parrots.—A brilliantly-coloured family in which the sexes present a remarkable contrast in colour, the cocks being more or less green and the hens crimson. Most of the different species resemble one another so closely that one is tempted to wonder whether they are anything more than local races of the same bird.

Eclecti should be fed on canary, millet, oats, hemp and sunflower with nuts and plenty of fruit and green food and an occasional piece of sponge cake. When kept in cages they are, as a rule, dull and stolid, though occasionally a tame one learns to talk and becomes quite a nice pet. Eclectus Parrots are decidedly sensitive to cold and should always be carefully protected from draughts and not exposed to sudden changes of temperature. They are extremely liable to contract septic fever and should never on any account be placed in an aviary which has contained a case of this disease.

In buying an Eclectus, always see that its eye is clear and bright and the feathers of the head unruffled. If the eye looks watery, have nothing to do with the bird or its cage companions, and do not believe the dealer's assurance that it is merely suffering from a cold in the head. In mixed company I found *Eclecti* most inoffensive birds, suffering themselves to be unmercifully bullied without making any attempt at retaliation. Their cry is very loud and harsh, but is hardly ever uttered unless they are in exceptionally good health and spirits or much alarmed. One may keep an Eclectus for months without knowing that it possesses a voice at all.

Cockatoos.—The habits of the various species of Cockatoos and their needs in captivity differ so widely, that nothing can profitably be said of the treatment of the family as a whole.

A Favourite Cockatoo.

Greater Sulphur-Crested Cockatoo (*Cacatua galerita*).—One of the best known members of the family. It does well in a cage, though greatly benefited in health and appearance by a certain amount of liberty. It is also very hardy, and when properly acclimatised can stand any amount of cold. The food should consist of canary, millet, hemp, wheat, oats, maize, fruit, dry bread and plain biscuit. Sulphur-Crests are readily tamed, become very affectionate, and learn to talk well, but, like all their relatives, they are capable at times of producing the most ear piercing yells. They have been successfully kept, and I believe bred, in this country at complete liberty and are certainly most attractive birds when seen flying at large, though unfortunately they are very destructive. It is said that the iris of the hen's eye is much paler than that of the cock, but I must say I have never been able to observe this distinction in any White Cockatoo except the Rose-crested. The Greater Sulphur-Crest is spiteful in mixed company, and its relative the Lesser Sulphur-Crest (*Cacatua sulphurea*) is even worse.

Salmon-crested Cockatoo (*Cacatua moluccensis*), a quaint and beautifully-coloured bird which should be fed like the Sulphur-crest. It is very hardy, but when kept closely confined in a cage is apt to become a feather plucker and should therefore be supplied with plenty of wood on which to exercise its powerful beak. The Moluccan Cockatoo makes a good talker and becomes absurdly tame and confidential, allowing its owner to take every kind of liberty with it. It is well able to make itself heard upon occasion, but it is not quite so noisy as some of its relatives. The hen is smaller than the cock, and has the iris of the eye very dark red instead of black.

Beautiful But Unfriendly.

Leadbeater's Cockatoo (*Cacatua leadbeateri*).—A very beautiful bird, but sometimes shy and unfriendly in disposition. It is quite hardy and should be fed like the Sulphur-crest. It is not to be trusted with weaker birds.

Bare-eyed Cockatoo (*Cacatua gymnopis*).—A hardy bird, readily tamed. When kept in a cage it should never be given hemp or sunflower, which are most injurious to it. It stays well at liberty, but is very destructive.

Slender billed Cockatoo (*Licmetis nasica*).—Hardy, and should be treated like the Sulphur-crest. It is a good talker and becomes very tame and gentle.

Roseate Cockatoo.—This well-known species becomes very tame and affectionate, and is not particularly spiteful with other birds, but it is noisy and a poor talker. Talented specimens are, however, sometimes met with, and I once owned a charming tame female which never screamed at all. At liberty Roseates are very attractive and are less mischievous than White Cockatoos. They are, however, difficult to start, and it is important that the hens, at any rate, should be perfectly tame where an acclimatization experiment is attempted. The birds should be placed in an enclosure with cut wings, and it may even be necessary to keep them from flying until they breed, which they are usually quite willing to do if they have plenty of room and unlimited quantities of grass to feed on.

If the plan is successful, and the birds stay when they are full-winged, it is a wise precaution to catch up the breeding hens at the end of every January and keep them in confinement for three months. Otherwise they are almost certain to attempt to nest too early and in consequence die egg-bound. The cock Rose-breast has the iris black, the hen red or hazel.

No Hemp or Sunflower Wanted.

Gang-gang Cockatoo (*Callocephalon galeatum*).—Hardy when properly acclimatized, but at first very sensitive to cold. Gang-gangs become very affectionate pets, but are noisy and seldom learn to talk. They should never, when caged, be allowed hemp or sunflower seed. They stay and do well at liberty, but must be released cut-winged, except in the case of an adult pair, when the cock may sometimes be released full-winged and his mate not allowed to join him until he has been flying loose for some months. The head of the cock is scarlet, that of the hen grey.

Banksian Cockatoo (*Calyptorhynchus banksi*).—Food: Hemp, sunflower, monkey-nuts and Brazil nuts—a diet which would kill most Cockatoos in a few weeks, but on which this splendid bird thrives admirably. Fruit, bread and green food is seldom appreciated, but smooth caterpillars are eaten greedily as well as the small white grubs found inside oak-apples. (In collecting the oak-apples reject all those which have a small round hole, marking the insect's exit). Wasp grubs, gentles and mealworms are usually refused.

When buying a Black Cockatoo always be sure to find out to what diet the bird has been accustomed, for if it has ever been used to sunflower-seed it will often starve to death rather than touch hemp, and *vice versâ*. Some Banksians are imported on plain canary, but this seed is not sufficiently nourishing and birds which will touch nothing else seldom thrive.

Dignified and Charming Pets.

Banksian Cockatoos do well in cages, but are not seen to any advantage in such close confinement. When taken young they are easily tamed and make dignified and charming pets, loving to be noticed by their owner and allowed to sit on his shoulder, though they have a curious objection to being stroked or having their heads rubbed, the gentlest of them tolerating rather than enjoying such attentions.

(To be continued.)

HOW WE BREED OUR WINNING NORWICH.

By C. STUBBS (Of Stubbs Bros.), Cheltenham.

(*Concluded from page* 193.)

Once the nest is built, after a day or two the first egg will be found therein.

In some cases the hen has great difficulty in laying, and appears as if about to die. Even then it is best, in most cases, to leave things to nature for at least the first night. If she has not laid then (after being ill the night before) she may often be relieved by holding her with the vent over a jug of boiling water; after this steaming, drop into the vent a spot of sweet oil, then put her on the nest again.

The first three eggs should be quietly removed as laid, and placed in bran until the evening of the day the third is laid, when all should be replaced. The hen will sit closely now, and she should not be disturbed. Hatching should come about on the thirteenth or fourteenth day. After five or six days the full eggs can be distinguished from the unfull ones by their partial opacity. Just before they hatch you will need to put in the cage a jar of egg-food. Don't give any green-food until the young are three days old, when a small spray may be given, gradually increasing the quantity as the young get older.

Hens That Feed Badly.

Some hens are bad feeders, and in such cases a slight change of food sometimes helps, also giving the hen a salt-water bath; but, after all, some hens either can't, or won't bring up young, and there is nothing but to bear it, some such losses and disappointments being the lot of all. If all goes well it will be necessary only to gradually diminish the proportion of egg in the food, and add a sprinkle of maw, and give summer rape, also canary seed crushed. Watercress is a splendid green-food for Canaries; so is shepherd's purse and chickweed. The latter is best when it is old and seedy. Be sure to see that all green-foods are given to the birds quite fresh and clean, and free from frost.

Cures for Some Ailments.

Colds in Canaries may be treated by putting ten drops of paregoric, a bit of gum-arabic the size of a pea, and about ten drops of glycerine in the drinking-water. Loss of voice can be treated the same way, but in either case it is as well to give them one or two drops of castor oil from the point of a penholder. Diarrhœa is usually caused by stale green-food; by giving the castor oil as above, and adding gum to the water, and also sprinkling the egg-food with prepared chalk, you can generally effect a cure. Constipation rarely occurs when green-food is properly given; if it does, it may usually be cured by adding ten drops of glycerine and the same of infusion of gentian to the drinking-water. Use sawdust for the cage-bottoms (give sand or grit in a small vessel); it is much cleaner for the birds' feet. On no account forget the bath.

In conclusion, if this article is of any benefit to the Fancy, I shall be amply repaid, and with the Editor's permission at a future date I will write a few notes on the colour-feeding of the Norwich Canary. [We are sure fanciers will be glad to hear Mr. Stubbs' views on feeding for colour.—Ed.]

FIRST AID FOR AILING BIRDS.

By W. VALE, F.Z.S. ETC., (South Norwood.)

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases, "How to Feed Canaries," etc.

It may be pointed out that too great care cannot be taken in the handling of a small bird, because very slight pressure may be the cause of death. It is not an uncommon circumstance to receive a small bird for post-mortem examination, with the remark, "it died in my hand," the immediate cause of death having been pressure on a bird over-loaded with masses of fat. The pressure under the circumstances stopping the action of the heart.

The Way to Hold a Bird.

The proper way to hold a small bird is in the hollow of the hand without any pressure on its body, or by a grip of as much of its wing and tail feathers as can be taken between the forefinger and thumb. Even if the feathers come out, better so than the risk of killing the bird, for feathers will soon grow again. Birds which shed the feathers too readily (except at moulting time) are, however, not in a perfectly healthy condition of body and are in need of treatment. In many cases when a bird is in an unhealthy condition one of the symptoms is the occasional shedding of feathers out of season. This is the result of the premature ageing of feathers, and more especially at the base. Feathers are developed in feather sacs, and nourished by secretions from glands in them, and when premature decay of feathers take place it can only be the result of insufficient nourishment, due to a diseased condition of the feather sacs. It is my opinion that the fault lies in the choking of the glands in the feather sacs by earthy matter in them, and this opinion is based on the fact that in all cases of birds shedding their plumage out of season the skin is overcharged with earthy matter, and more especially on the claws and feet.

In these cases the toe nails have a tendency to become overgrown, and this is a symptom of premature age, or old age. Here it may be pointed out that overgrown toe nails should receive careful attention because of the risk of the bird getting caught in the wires of the cage by them, with the liability of a broken leg, sprain, or other injury which might have been prevented by the timely trimming of the nails. In the first place the nails may be cut, and then they should be rounded with a file. It is a good plan to use a file to take off as much of the nail as is necessary, because it will not split the nail. In any case the instrument used to cut the nails of a bird should be very sharp, especial care being taken not to use a blunt pair of scissors.

Cracked or Tender Feet.

In some cases the feet of a bird become cracked across and very tender. This is in many cases the result of allowing the feet to become clogged in a dirty cage, though this may not be so much the result of the uncleanliness of the cage as the discharge of mucus from the coat of the bowel of the bird through the action of irritant matter upon it. This may be irritant bilious matter discharged into it from the liver, and disorder of the latter may be the result of some irritant in the diet, though it is mostly due to disorder of the kidneys. If the latter, the bird will be passing an excessive quantity of whitish matter in its excrement. In bad cases the whitish matter—urea—will be of a dirty whitish colour. In the first place steps should be taken to remedy the kidney trouble in a way that will be pointed out in a future article. The affected feet should be cleaned thoroughly, and then dressed with some antiseptic ointment that will not injure the bird when trying to get it off with its beak.

Removing Entanglements.

There are cases where a claw, or the foot, or leg, becomes entangled with some fibrous substance to such an extent as to stop the circulation of the blood in the part below the stricture. If this should happen gangrene would soon supervene were the substance not removed. It may be necessary to cut through the fibrous substance on the front part of the claw, or leg, so as to avoid the arteries. Should there be any appreciable bleeding a solution of adrenalin should be applied, or some cotton wool saturated with compound tincture of benzoin (Friar's balsam). In all cases before commencing any operation everything that may possibly be required should be laid ready to hand. Should neither of the things already named for arresting the flow of blood be available, some cobweb, or burnt white rag, may be used.

Using One's Brains.

One of the chief reasons for allowing a bird a daily bath, is the advantage of moistening its feet. It is well to consider the contrast between a bird kept upon a dry, sandy floor continually, without a chance of wetting and cooling the feet when parched and dry, and a bird in its natural state, which is almost daily wetting its feet with the soft morning dew. Then, too, think of the contrast in diet between the bird confined to dry substances almost entirely devoid of fat to soften its tissues, and the bird which is almost continually devouring soft, juicy vegetable and animal substances. Is it any wonder that a caged bird incorrectly treated suffers from scaly, or cracked feet? The unthinking cruelty of man to creatures under his care becomes grievous to anyone who has a real love for them, because there is not any excuse for not using one's brains.

Scaly legs and feet should first be occasionally dressed with a little of the fresh juice of a lemon; then with a little sweet oil, after having been wetted, or soaked, for a short time in rather hot water. To merely cleanse the feet of a bird they may be soaked in a little rather hot water, to which a small quantity of borax or a little common washing soda has been added.

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Correspondence.

A Skylark Which Lives on Seed.

Sir,—I am considerably interested in a Skylark that I have in my possession, as it lives entirely on hard seed (mixed seed). I should like to know if any other friend has one that lives on the same diet. What class could I exhibit the bird in? I am pleased to say it is very healthy, a cock bird, and sings well.

R. Etherington.

[We have heard of a number of Skylarks which have thrived on hard seed only. In our view, however, it is not a diet to be encouraged. Skylarks always compete amongst the insectivorous species.—Editor.]

Is Mixed Seed as Bad as a Disease?

Sir,—When I wrote about my Goldfinches and the feeding of the same Mr. Balcombe must remember that I was referring to fresh-caught Goldfinches only, and I will say again that anyone who has the intention of going in for Goldfinch catching, will not better the treatment in the "Nutshell!" booklet. Goldfinches when caught would not know what canary seed was; some would live, but the majority die. This I have proved, as I myself have had a bitter experience by feeding as Mr. Balcombe advises.

S. Payne.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—Although I have been serving under the Government in Dorset (four miles from any station) since Sunderland show, I have always got Cage Birds each week. It is gratifying to me that those who favour the true parentage of "White Rose," as our most popular judges have done, are gentlemen enough to sign their own names to any letters they write. Can any experienced gentleman explain, without any personal insults, if it is possible to breed a light or clear Hybrid from two dark birds? "White Rose" has generally been exhibited in Hybrid classes that include Canary-Bullfinch.

R. D. Parlett.

Sir,—I would like to inform your correspondent "Patrick" that I am fully aware that "White Rose" has been called a Greenie-Bullie by a few. I have also seen some opinions that it possesses Bullfinch characteristics only. I agree with Mr. Hainsworth that it is the height of meanness for a man to sling mud at a brother fancier, just because he is more successful than he is. I should think there has been quite sufficient proof of the bird's parentage for any "Doubting Thomas."

R. Blake.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—It is very evident that my letter of the previous week has left Mr. W. Spillman with only sufficient wind to "blow his own trumpet," and to jog my memory of a 1911 compliment to him, and a generous acknowledgement I made in reference to his old cap-marked bird. Not a word for or against the "big hen," nor any attempt to justify his assertion of no Crestbred or Lancashire blood in his room, whilst his "challenge" has seemingly vanished into thin air. All we get is a suggestion that I do not bandy words with him, but come to Plymouth. What a fizzle out! What help my critic is rendering the Fancy, with 22 years' experience behind him!

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—Every observant fancier must admit that of late years we have had various types on exhibition. Certain sections of the Fancy, and certain judges, combined together, have conceived the idea that they must have a giant of a bird, irrespective of those beautiful properties which are and must be the standard properties (of these I have already given my ideas). Now if the selected judges are men who know their work we should soon have a more uniform class on exhibition. Uniformity makes the judges' task more difficult, and the fanciers more interested. I am not going to blame any judges, but I say we have too many of them, which I attribute to the consideration for prizes of those big, rough, heavy-feathered, long cast, bleary-eyed, poultice-chested specimens which some of my friends favour. I say we know what you are using in your breeding-room. This has been clearly hinted at in this correspondence. I maintain this class of bird should be kept at home until the "refining process" has produced a more presentable specimen. If societies will appoint the judges they know will give their awards to the standard properties, without fear or favour, I feel sure they will soon have a more uniform class of birds, and an increased entry.

Barker Clegg.

An Early Brood and a Novel Question.

Sir,—I have a Yorkshire hen which laid 4 eggs on Dec. 28, 29, 30 and 31, and hatched 4 young ones on Jan. 13, which are fine birds. On Feb. 9, 10, 11, 12 she again laid and hatched out 4 more young Canaries, which are doing well. She has laid again this day, Mar. 22. Not a bad record for so early in the year? Could you please let me know if the first lot were 1914 birds or 1915, as the eggs were laid in 1914.

P. Hayes.

[They would be 1915 birds, dating from the day of hatching. Even if hatched at the end of 1914 they would be entitled to compete during the following show season as unflighted birds.—Editor.]

Border Fancies at the Horticultural Hall Show.

Sir,—After Mr. Ramsden's letter, coming from one so well-known and respected by the Fancy in general, does Mr. Jenkins tell us that he passed all the birds of alleged coloured appearance at the late L.C.B.A. show? Those who have been talking about the the matter in private all seem to agree that certain birds in the money were the ones the judge was speaking of. I am personally in favour of the non-ted bird, but if what Mr. Ramsden says is common to all the big winners, well, the sooner we novices clear out our birds and go in for another variety the better. Just a word, in passing, to those older fanciers who think my letter of last week (under the non-de-plume "Border") "unfortunate" (according to accounts from friends that reach me): Would it not have been better for some of you who knew even more than I to have taken your courage in both hands and done as I did, however late? Many fanciers, whose names are well known, could have saved me, quite a novice, from doing what has been a most unpleasant task. As Mr. Jenkins does not care to answer a letter written under a non-de-plume, I shall be happy now to sign myself, as I usually do,

Harry C. Humphries.

Sir,—I was surprised to see in Mr. Ramsden's letter that he had exhibited Borders at the last L.C.B.A. show, as I saw nothing of his name in the catalogue. Mr. Ramsden says he was standing filled with admiration at the wonderful colour of the birds with the "tickets." Now, to put it plainly, that means to say all the winners were of a very high colour, and suggests that they were helped in colour. As an exhibitor and also a winner in these classes (taking two 1sts, one 2nd, and one 4th, also most points in S.B.F.C. competition) I should like to say that not a single bird I have ever exhibited has been colour-fed, or helped, as it is termed, in any way whatever. At the same time I was very much impressed by the colour of the Borders from the North at the last Palace show, and even felt I had been left out on that account, and set to work at once to breed for colour, the effect of which cannot be seen until this season's young have been hatched. I would like to point out to all Border men of the South Mr. Patterson's remarks in Cage Birds Annual re colour. Now, Mr. Ramsden, keep those cages, and borrow a few of the cocks you gave to your friends, and with good hens see if you cannot bench some "Wee Gems" of the first water. I am sure you will be welcome in the S.B.F.C., and you can help us to get fair-play, and also share in the spoils of our club. It may even be my pleasure to hand you the cup that you handed to me at the last Palace show.

G. H. Pratt.

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The Pelton Fell, etc., Amalgamation of Societies.

Sir,—Having seen Mr. Ward's letter, I may say that I think it is not an amalgamation when it takes three secretaries for eighteen members. If there were so many members paid up, as Mr. Ward says, it was a success, but I would like him to point out to the members where the real success lay. I got the lion's share of prize-money, but what is there in a show where there are two birds in a class? I exhibited at five table, three nest feather, and three all-age shows, nine up to twenty-four birds at eleven shows. So if we had to pay for traps and trains, we had very little money left. At the first nest-feather I was the big winner (three firsts, two thirds and other cards). I won 9d. and carried the birds two miles. I gave all my prize-money to get them home. I always was against the amalgamation, though I said I would still be a member. I hope the old members will lay their heads together and get the shows on a right footing again. I think the amalgamation is about done for when there is no money in the societies. It was all paid out. There were eighteen members paid up at 7s. 6d. each, there were six judges (cost £3 10s.) and three secretaries (cost £1 10s.). If we had not been good triers, and had help from outsiders (tradesmen, etc.), we could not have paid 5s. a class.

James Stanger.

The Heavily-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Allsopp, I submit that a marked bird up to and including a bird half light and half dark could have competed in Class 28 (lightly marked) considering a class for heavy marked was provided, defined as "more dark than light." The expression "lightly marked" would give a judge a good deal of latitude. Readers will note that "Mr. A." declares that had the three leading birds in Class 29 have been entered in Class 28, he would have promptly disqualified them. What inconsistency!

H. J. Davis.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. H. J. Davis, we should like to inform him that we have full claim on the award we received in Class 29. The bird we exhibited in Class 29 was more dark than light, as, if he had our bird in his hand, he would see for himself. We note he refers us to Mr. Allsopp's admissions, but if Mr. Allsopp had our bird in his hand, he would withdraw his admission as to the second prize-winner. We do not require to make any bother in respect to this class, as we accept the judge's decision as legally binding. We saw the leading bird at the show, and could easily have lodged a protest with the hon. sec., but we let it go, and accepted the decision as sportsmen, as the leading bird deserved its place. As regards Mr. Davis' claim of being the first prize-winner, if it goes as far as he threatens we can claim the first prize before him. We hope our statement will be clear enough for him, in respect to what we are entitled in Class 29.

Greaves & Richards.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Allsopp, let me repeat the first sentence of Mr. C. Kane's letter: "I am rather surprised at the bellicose attitude Mr. Allsopp now adopts." I cannot compliment him on the tone of his replies to fair criticism. Sarcasm is neither wit nor argument. He instances the case of an exhibitor who mixes his labels, puts a yellow in the buff class and vice-versa. Yes, Mr. Allsopp, I have seen this done and assisted at many such sportsmanlike actions as putting the matter right. This is an injustice to no one, because, after the exchange the exhibits are competing in their right classes. But what was done at the Welsh National was equivalent to allowing the yellow to compete amongst the buffs and vice-versa, which I say would be an injustice to the other exhibitors. Again, in the cases of mixed seed in the cages instead of plain canary seed and of putting labels the wrong side of the cage, if the judge is straight this makes no difference to anyone as he (the judge) judges the birds and the best one in his opinion wins, heedless of the kind of seed used or the side the label is on. For some weeks it has been tacitly admitted that the birds in question were more light than dark, and it is rather late in the day to argue the opposite now, as Mr. Crawshaw does. No Court of Law will uphold the Society's officials when they deliberately break their contract in the way they have—no matter what their rules may say.

T. Patterson Riddle.

Sir,—Of so wide-spread an interest has my recent action at the Welsh National Show become, that it seems the only fitting conclusion is "the execution," or "living happy together for ever afterwards." Even Mr. J. Bastock has left the other and more peaceful camp to give me a dig; and, incidentally, talk sense by pointing out exhibitors have two alternatives, viz., "keep their birds at home, or accept awards in good spirit." Mr. D. Williams again joins in, and offers to stand bail—beg pardon, offers to subscribe in the event of Mr. Davis's defeat. Fancy insinuating that Mr. Davis might lose. Then what of the Irish row? I mean Mr. C. Kane, who asks Mr. Davis to wipe his feet upon my coat-tails. Sounds like a wake, does it not? In spite of it all, impartial critics must ultimately get down to the bed-rock of my action, which, broadly, was fully justified. Had I disqualified the three birds in Class 29, I venture to say the Plainhead Fancy would have risen as one man and condemned me for an autocratic action, and, I say, justifiably so. A generous interpretation of the schedule description is the worst anyone can make of my action, and upon this I stand, and not fall. And in these columns I have now said my last word upon the matter. I can only regret that a show with which much out of the ordinary was associated, a show the outcome of much virtue, one in which was embodied peace and goodwill and even philanthropy, should have brought in an aftermath of spleen, ill-will and intrigue, the threads of which are visible, though perhaps of not real consequence.

E. W. Allsopp.

Sir,—I feel I must take sides with the unfortunate Mr. Davis and other exhibitors who entered according to the schedule, for I consider they have been most unjustly treated. I'm surprised at Mr. Crawshaw. What on earth good would lodging a protest have done, when it was by the consent of the chief officials of the show that these birds were allowed to stand eligible? I venture to say the protest would have been over-ruled, and Mr. D. have forfeited his 5s. The birds were wrongly entered (there's no disputing the fact) and Mr. Allsopp was wrong in seeking other advice—he had his guide in the classification, and surely he has lived long enough to know that "Two wrongs never make a right." His letter this week makes the matter worse. He must know that the committee could not withhold prize-money, the entrance fees had been paid and accepted, therefore the class was well supported. Exhibitors want no rearranging of classes after entries are in; and also judges that go straight to their duties knowing what to do without private consultations. I must add, in conclusion, how much we fanciers are indebted to your paper, and also to Mr. Norman for his straight, unbiassed report, without which this matter might never have been brought to light.

H. Cannon-Chelmsford.

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The Shows.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Annual spring show, Mar. 20, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C. Only 35 birds staged owing to most of the members being Canary breeders, but quality was good, and the birds were well staged. Mr. Marley judged: Goldf. (5): 1, 2, H. Bell; 3, M. A. Bell; vhc, Mrs. Harrison; w.c., Miss Cullers. Bullf. (3): 1, 2, Pretty; 3, M. A. Bell. Linnet (5): 1, Harrison; 2, Gilbert; 3, William; vhc, Pretty; w.c., Davey. Siskin, etc. (4): 1, 2, Miss Cullers; 3, Harrison; vhc, Pretty. Greenf. (6): 1, Gilbert; 2, 3, vhc, Pretty; hc, Harrison; c, Miss Cullers. Chaffinch: 1, Willham. Hen (8): 1, 3, vhc, c, Pretty; 2, H. Bell; hc, M. A. Bell. Mule or Hyb. (3): 1, 2, 3, Ayris. Next meeting Ap. 17; owing to Mr. F. Easterling still being seriously ill, we are compelled to put his lecture off for another date; all fanciers and friends will have sympathy for him and Mrs Easterling, and wish him a speedy recovery.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

STRATFORD & E. LONDON F.S.

Evening Show at "Eagle," Mar. 24. Judge, Mr. A. Skinner. Yorks: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Bayliss; r, Harvey. A.O.V. Can.: 1, 2, Bayliss; 3, Reed. Bord., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, spl., 2, 3, r, Reid. Mkd. or Variog.: 1, 2, 3, r, Reed, Goldf., etc.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Bayliss. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, res, Bayliss. For.: 1, Bayliss. Points spl. won by Bayliss.—A. Wasey, Hon. Sec.

GREENOCK, PORT GLASGOW AND GOUROCK O.S.

Annual show, Boilermaker's Hall, Jan. 9. Entries totalled 200, and quality was excellent. There was a capital entry of Norwich and Borders, and a first-class turn out of British. Principal winners: Special best Can., Mr. Roddin, Scotch Fancy hen; rose bowl, Mr. Campbell, Greenfinch Mule; Club and Cameron Cups, Mr. McDairmid; H.M. Linnet and H.M. Goldfinch, Mr. Dan Hamilton (Hamilton) judged Canaries; Mr. P. McQuiston (Ayr) British, to the satisfaction of all.

SCOTCH FANCY, OLD CK.: 1, 4, Rodden; 2, 3, McGregor. HEN: 1, 3, McGregor; 2, 4, Rodden. CK. (young): 1, 2, Rodden; 3, 4, Preston. HEN: 1, sp., Rodden; 2, McGregor; 3, Preston. YORKS.: OLD CK.: 1, 2, Dooley; 3, Wylie; 4, McGregor; 5, Park. HEN: 1, 3, Best; 2, 4, McCartney. CK. (young): 1, McCartney; 2, Best; 3, Park. HEN (young): 1, Park; 2, 4, Best; 5, McCartney. BORD., OLD CK.: 1, 2, Dooley; 3, Wylie; 4, McGregor; 5, Preston. HEN: 1, 2, Dooley; 3, Wylie; 4, Preston; 5, McGregor. CK. (young): 1, spl., 2, 3, 4, Dooley; 5, 6, Wylie. HEN: 1, sp, 2, 3, Dooley; 4, Wylie; 5, Rodden. C.B.: 1, 2, Allison; 3, 4, Rodden; 5, Molloy. CREST: 1, spl., 2, Allison; 3, Preston; 4, Service; 5, Rodden. NOR.: OLD CK.: 1, Allison; 2, Bryden; 3, Wylie; 4, Service; 5, Park; 6, Napier. HEN: 1, 2, 5, Allison; 3, 4, Service; 6, Bryden. CK. (young): 1, spl., Bryden; 2, 5, 6, Wylie; 3, McCartney; 4, Cameron. HEN: 1, 3, Bryden; 2, Wylie; 3, 4, Cameron. LIGHT MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Ralston; 3, Preston. DARK: 1, Campbell; 2, 3, 4, McDairmid; 5, Molloy; 6, Martin. GOLDF., H.-M.: 1, McDairmid; 2, Brown; 3, Cameron; 4, Park; 5, Molloy; 6, McGregor. F.-M.: 1, McKee; 2, Ralston; 3, Campbell; 4, 5, Stewart; 6, McDairmid. BULLF., F.-M.: 1, McDairmid; 2, Ralston; 3, McKee; 4, McDairmid; 5, Dooley; 6, McNair. H.-M.: 1, 2, Cameron; 3, 4, Molloy. LINNET, H.-M.: 1, McDairmid; 2, 4, Brown; 3, 6, Ralston; 5, Gillespie. F.-M.: 1, 2, McDairmid; 3, McKee; 4, Molloy; 5, Martin; 6, Donnely. GREENF., CK.: 1, McCartney; 2, Campbell; 3, 4, McDairmid; 5, Cameron; 6, Martin. SISKIN: 1, Best; 2, Martin; 3, Molloy. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, McDairmid; 2, 3, Molloy; 4, Brown; 5, McKee; 6, Wylie. TWITE OR MEALY: 1, Cameron; 2, Best; 3, Brown; 4, McDairmid; 5, McCartney; 6, Martin. A.O. BRIT. CK.: 1, Molloy; 2, McDairmid; 3, McKee. 4, Park; 5, Cameron; 6, Martin. HEN: 1, 3, Molloy; 2, Campbell; 4, McKee; 5, McNair; 6, Ralston. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Cameron.—J. McG. Dooley, Sec.

Club Reports.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting held headquarters, Crown Hotel, Station-st., Mar. 3, Mr. A. Broadhurst chair, and the best gathering for some considerable time. New members made: Messrs. Loach and Taylor. Nominated: Messrs. Padmore, Lane, Staveley, Ancott and Sheldon. It is very gratifying to see so many new members, we are going strong. Shall be pleased to receive names of any other fanciers who wish to join us. Balance-sheet was presented showing a balance in hand of £7 0s. 6d., after granting £3 6s. 9d. to the National Relief Fund. The meeting was followed by a most interesting lecture given by Mr J. Burke on the "Breeding and Management of the Yorkshire Canary," several points being raised which proved very beneficial to those present. Will all members, new and old, make a special effort to be present next meeting night, April 7, 8.30 prompt; business, N.F. Show, etc., after which the meeting will be thrown open to questions; this will give the novice a chance of asking the experienced fancier anything which he may want to know which may help him during the breeding season.—A. C. Shirley, Assist. Sec.

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BEAMISH C.B.S.

Meeting, Bird Inn, High Hold, March 20, Mr. W. Creswell chair, with only a poor turn-up. Decided not to hold a young bird show this year, but the annual show on October 23. Mr. S. Elliot was elected chairman; sec. re-elected, and committee as heretofore. Nomination of judges: Mr. R. S. Bewick, W. Read, J. Risehorough, T. Dixon, F. Swan, J. Emerson, J. Calvert. Secretary to write for terms. New members: J. Stanger, T. Elliott, Pelton, Fell, J. W. Robson, Burnhope, and J. Vasey, Beechgrove, Edmondsley.—J. H. Elliot, Sec.

MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, Mar. 25, "Seven Stars," John's Lane, Wolverhampton. Mr. Willows, chair, with a good attendance. New member enrolled: Mr. Robinson, Netherton. Correspondence was read from the B.R.C.C. that only B.R.C.C. rings will be recognised. Nearly the whole amount of rings ordered, 500, have been sold. Members not having got them please let me know, with subs. for 1915 inclusive. Messrs. Thompson, Harper, and Bird each brought a pair of birds to illustrate the Gluck tours, and an enjoyable time was spent. Vote of thanks to the gentlemen for their kindness, and to the chair, brought the meeting to a close.—J. W. Thomson, Hon. Sec.

HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Mechanics' Hall, March 13. Mr. G. H. Bowerbank presided over a fair attendance. Sec. submitted balance sheet, which was accepted as satisfactory, and the following officers were selected for the year: President, Mr. R. B. Webster; chairman, Mr. G. H. Bowerbank; vice-chairman, Mr. J. Bowerbank; sec. Wm. Tallantyre; treas., and show manager, J. Nicholson; auditors, J. Nicholson and T. Fawcett; committee, T. Shield, M. Philipson, J. Walton, R. Morrow, R. Armstrong, I. Elliott, G. Heslop, and W. Howe. Decided to hold three N.F. shows July 3rd, July 24th, and Aug. 7th, and to give prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd most points. Annual show, Nov. 19 and 20. Sec. to write to a number of gentlemen for terms for judging.—Wm. Tallantyre, Sec.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, "Old Boar's Head," Manchester, Mar. 27, Mr. Wareing in the chair. Members attended from Bury, Ramsbottom, Ashton, Redditch, Levenshulme, Bolton, Withington, Rochdale, Oldham, Openshaw, etc., a splendid gathering, which made our worthy President and Secretary smile. Decided to order a second lot of rings for the P.R.C.C.; first order sold out. A Points Competition will be worked with profits from rings. This will be very interesting, and the Society intends giving some good prizes as well as specials to all users of the P.R.C.C. rings. New members are rolling in, six being elected. The Society seems to have a new lease of life, the members all taking full interest in the meetings. Next meeting there will be some very interesting things to settle.—Tom Routledge.

GRIMSBY O.S.

Meeting and table show, Mar. 25, Slatter's Rooms, 160, Freeman Street. Mr. A. Oliver in chair. One new member was elected. Proposed that the society obtain a new silver cup for the British section, owing to the old one becoming the winner's own property by winning it two years in succession. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Towl; 2, Oliver; 3, Smith. Linnet: 1, 2, 3, Watson. Siskin, etc.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Towl. Greenf.: 1, Towl; 2, Oliver; 3, Watson; 4, Smith. Bunting: 1, Watson. A.O. Brit.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Oliver; 4, Watson. Hen: 1, Smith; 2, 3, Watson. Roller singing contest: 1, A. Towl. Mr. H. Harding judged, and gave entire satisfaction. Next meeting April 29, when Mr. Harding will give a lecture on Canaries; any fanciers or friends heartily welcome.—J. T. Cotterill.

BARROW C.B.A.

Meeting, Gardner's Restaurant, Mar. 24, R. Shackley presiding, with a fair turn-out of members. A few friends also attended, who are taking the invitation given them. We should be pleased to see as many lovers of birds as possible at any time. There was a good turn-out of British at the table show, and some right good birds among them. McFarlane 1, with a Linnet; 2, 3, hc, Shackley; vhc, c, Miss Winder. Mr. J. Mercllo judged, and the exhibits were well placed. The sec. intimated he had secured Messrs. F. Maynell and C. Barben as vice-presidents. New members were enrolled, and everything is promising for a good show season for the club. Membership has increased, and a long list of gentlemen are at the head of the association; anyone desirous of becoming a member we shall be glad to see at the meeting, April 7: an essay to be given by the sec. on Mating and Breeding.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

SHETTLESTON CARNTYNE AND DIST. C.B.S.

A NEW SOCIETY FORMED.

Meeting Housdan's Tea Rooms, Mar. 27 for purpose of forming the above Society. A splendid turn out gave Mr. Hendrie, who was elected President, every encouragement. Office bearers elected: Vice-Presidents, G. Henderson, R. Rae; Sec., J. Irvine; Committee, Messrs. J. Dalling, R. Hartley, J. Mackay, J. Rice, P. Thomson, A. Berry. Decided to hold F.F. show 3rd July. A cup is being presented to the Society for most points gained in young bird classes at the annual show. Seven new members were added to the roll, which now totals 35. Baillie W. Robertson (Troon), a highly respected and generous gentleman, has decided to become a member. Radius of club is 5 miles from Shettleston Cross, to enable fanciers who are outside the mile and half limit to join and give us some competition. All particulars can be had from J. Irvine, Sec. (28, Blair-st., Shettleston).

YORKSHIRE UNION OF C.B.S.

Annual general meeting Mar. 27, before a good attendance of delegates. Mr. F. Cruise (Pres.) in the chair. Idle and Dis. C.B.S. tendered their resignation and same was accepted with regret. Mr. F. Hammond was elected Treas. The balance-sheet, which showed a satisfactory year's working, was adopted as read, and an honorarium was granted the retiring Secretary. Mr. R. Halliday gave the Auditor's report, finding the books in perfect order. He expressed a desire to retire as Auditor, the Council allowing same and expressing regret. A vote of thanks to the retiring officers was suitably responded to by Messrs. W. Cruise and R. Halliday. Much discussion ensued in respect to the ballot, and one of the new rules came in for severe criticism, it being eventually decided to test the feeling of the members of each society, by the delegates, before the next Council meeting. After a brief respite the annual presentation of prizes was duly carried out, Mr. W. Cruise presiding over a good attendance of fanciers. Everything passed off very satisfactorily. No musical programme had been arranged. Votes of thanks were accorded to the donors of the special prizes, Messrs F. Carl, J. W. Ramsden, W. Errington, etc. A vote of thanks to the Chairman brought the year's work to a close. A full list of all prize-winners has been published previously in this paper.—H. Hill.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

On Mar. 20 we had a very instructive lecture, given by Mr. Chittenden, of Bradford. It was a masterpiece from beginning to end, and full of very valuable information for both old and young fanciers. The lecture was on "Feeding and Rearing of Canaries." Numerous questions were put to the lecturer, which were answered in fine style. After the meeting we had the pleasure of making two new members.—A. Lawford, Sec.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Meeting and Table Show of British, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie-rd., Mar. 20, with a good attendance, Vice-President Mr. W. B. Adam in chair. Replies from judges were read and met with approval. Judges engaged for Annual Show: Nor., and Crests, A. M. Gardiner (Newton Grange); Bord., Wm. McAdam (Lasswade); Scotch Fancy, G. C. L. Hope (Edinburgh); Brit. and For., C. Sykes (Musselburgh). Members elected: Messrs. J. Proctor, W. Smith, W. Wall, G. Muir, Patrick, Stronach, and Williamson. Mr. J. Sykes (Musselburgh) judged Table Show; Mr. Robt. Craig steward. Agreed to pay 1/- per class in prizes. Meeting closed with vote of thanks to the chair.

Table Show.—Goldf.: 1, 2, Watson; 3, Ritchie. Linnet: 1, Allan; 2, Adam; 3, Weir. Bunting: 1, 2, W. Watson. Softbill: 1, Watson. Siskin, etc.: 1, 2, Watson; 3, Ritchie. A.O. Finch: 1, Allan; 2, Watson; 3, Ritchie. Hen for Hyb. Breeding: 1, Adam; 2, Allan; 3, Watson. Muling Pairs: 1, Stormont; 2, Brown. Hybridising pairs: 1, Weir; 2, Allan. Class 10: 1, Watson; 2, Brown; 3, Stormont. The members held Judging Competition after Mr. Sykes's decisions had been scaled, and Mr. Brown won with 98 points; runner-up, W. B. Adam, 93; each receiving a special prize. Vote of thanks to Mr. Sykes and Mr. Craig was well responded to.—J. Charlton, Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Mr. Allsopp presided over a well attended annual general meeting. The Auditors (Messrs. H. C. Smith and M. A. Ball) gave a report. We had a loss of £2 11s. 6d. on the Radius Show, also on the year's working a loss of 17s. Mr. Smith appealed to members to pay contributions when due; if members had paid their arrears we should have had a balance to the good. Mr. Ball endorsed all that Mr. Smith had said, and also moved that £10 of the cash in Treasurer's hands be placed on deposit at the bank. Officers elected for ensuing year: Chairman, Mr. Whetton; Vice-Chair., Mr. E. J. Banks; Treas., Mr. E. J. Davies; Sec., Mr. E. Thomas; Assist. Sec., Mr. A. Ball; Committee, Rev. C. B. Jolliffe, H. C. Smith, D. Raymond, J. Pearce, W. Merritt, P. Brailli, A. Dun, E. James, S. Wiseman. Mr. Banks moved a vote of thanks to Mr. Allsopp, the retiring Chairman. Resolved to hold our annual Open Show on Nov. 19 and 20. Judges to be elected at next meeting. Resolved that Secretary book the Carlton Banqueting Hall for the Open Show; the members present promised to subscribe towards the cost. Mr. E. J. Davies' motion to rescind the members' cup rules was seconded by M. Phelps and carried. The following resolution moved by E. J. Davies was carried: That points for members' cup in Open and Members' Show in classes of 4 and under count backwards, that is, 4th 1 point, 3rd 2, 2nd 3, 1st 4. This resolution does not apply to the 4 challenge cups which will be competed for at the Open Show. Will members in arrears please pay up as soon as possible. Subs. are now due for the 1915 season.—E. Thomas, Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

WEST CORNFORTH.

Linnet singing contest, Good Intent, when a good company assembled. 40 birds entered. Judge, W. Fairless. 1, Grame; 2, Bendelow; 3, Sample. Timekeeper, McCabe.—T. Armstrong, Sec.

SPENNYMOOR.

Linnet contest, Thinford Inn, Spennymoor, Easter Monday. First bird up at 1. Fairless, judge.—(Advt.)

BARNSLEY.

Open contest, March 27, for 4 prizes, for time singing, Commercial Hotel, New Street, Mr. F. Shepherd timer, Mr. A. Wareing chalker. The singing was extra good. 1st, Cawthorne, 4 mins. 20 secs.; 2, Jones, 3 39; 3, Hardman, 3 18; 4, Coles, 2 47.—J. Hardman, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, March 27, for 4 prizes. 1, Williams, 148 secs.; 2, Wainwright, 93; 3, Watkiss, 83; 4, Morley, 79. Also March 28, for 3 prizes. 1, Collingson, 76; 2, Watkiss, 75; 3, Wainwright, 69. Easter sing, April 3, George and Dragon, Bridge Street.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and C. F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, March 27. 18 birds sang for 3 prizes. 1, 2, shared by Hirst and Johnson; 3, Towers; judges, Crane, Hayes and Jennings. March 28, 32 sang, for 4 prizes. 1 S. Johnson; 2, T. Johnson; 3, 4, shared by Hardcastle and Chippindale. Judges, Butler, Naylor and Thompson.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterers Arms, Skinner Lane, March 28. 20 of the best birds in Yorkshire competed. 1, Whitfield; 2, 3, shared, Chippendale, Whitfield, Bamfield. Judges, C. Lorriman and H. Playford.—A. Bryan, Sec.

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DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

(FOR RULES SEE ISSUE OF MARCH 20th.)

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ANOTHER MOULTER (New Year).—I'm afraid you cannot have eliminated the exciting causes of the condition, or the moulting must have been checked before now. See that this part of the treatment is carried out systematically, and do not expose the bird to direct cold draughts, rapid extremes of temperature, nor damp, or treatment will be more or less useless. Keep in a comfortable temperature, though you need not overdo it in this way, and then treat the same as advised to "Novice, H.J." in Mar. 13 issue, except that in case you have been using the quinine tonic therein advised—I have not the previous reply handy to refer to—instead of using it again, you may try the effect of six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel. There is no reason why the bird should not get all right before next moult, in the next few weeks, in fact.

OUTDOOR AVIARY (Serin).—(1) Yes, there is a very good chance of breeding Canaries successfully in such an aviary as you describe out of doors. But if there is little or no protection from rain it would have been an advantage to have the roof, chiefly of glass, to throw off the wet and keep the floor dry. Also you must not rely upon the cement basin being replenished by condensation of moisture, if that is your idea in referring to it as a dew pond, as being in the centre of so populous a town I should doubt the purity of such a water supply. With these little differences I see no reason why the aviary should not be quite a success, provided you are careful to stock it with birds that have been bred and kept under normal conditions of temperature. Take advantage of any mild spell of weather from the middle of March onwards to put the birds out. (2) The combination you suggest is quite a possible one, and should do very well for experiment. Put all the birds out together and leave them undisturbed through the season. There is no necessity to remove the cock in such a case as this. Fix up half a dozen nesting sites, and do not place one or two decidedly higher than all the rest, or there will be no end to the quarrels for the possession of those particular sites.

UNFERTILITY (D.M.).—As you say there is no fault with the hens, I take it that you have tried the cock with more than one hen of known fertility in the last two seasons. If this surmise is correct, I would not advise you to rely upon him as a stock bird in the coming season. Indeed, it would be the best course, considering his age, to discard him altogether from the breeding stock. If, however, you wish to try him further, feed him up every third day for a few weeks with half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, or egg food, with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame seed mixed in it, and on one of the intervening days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Every day give a fresh young growing stool of dandelion—leaves, blooms, and crown altogether, cut off just below the surface of the soil, and placed in the cage whole. About the middle of April, if in high breeding condition, mate him with a young hen, also in good breeding condition, and anxious to go to nest.

A ROLLER DUET (Novice, A.B.).—(1) This bird will probably soon resume song now that the weather is getting brighter and milder, and spring is in the air. It would help to bring him out if you could let him hear a good singing bird near at hand regularly for a week or two. In addition to its regular seed diet give every second day for a fortnight half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry on it, and about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Also give two or three crisp, young leaves of dandelion daily. In the drinking water every second day for a week you may add 20 drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence. (2) The cock four years old is by no means too old to breed. As he has not bred hitherto, he should, if healthy and active, and well preserved, now be just in his prime breeding condition.

CHANGE OF SONG (Off Song).—It is not very unusual for a Canary which is kept for any length of time with a Linnet, or similar song bird, to pick up its song, and either interpolate it with its own song or sing it solely. When the association has been so long standing as you say, and the change has become fixed in the Canary's song, you can do nothing at all to bring it back to its own song exclusively. If the Norwich does not sing so much as it should, and you wish to increase the quantity of song, the type of which will, of course, be the same as now, you may treat the bird the same as advised to "Novice, A.B. (1)" in this issue.

Questions and Answers continued overleaf.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Owing to the necessity of going to press one day earlier this week, a number of answers to questions cannot be published until our next issue.—Editor.

QUERIES, Continued from previous page.

NERVOUSNESS (Mist).—The manner in which your bird behaves is due to "stage fright" pure and simple, which is the outcome of excessive nervousness and a too highly strung nervous system. A weak or debilitated condition will, of course, increase these nervous symptoms, and all you can do is to aim at keeping the bird in a good sound condition of health, and endeavour to win its confidence by persistent attention in a quiet and methodical manner. Such birds often make ideal pets once the ice is broken, and their confidence gained, but there is always a great risk of their dying with alarming suddenness, simply from fright. Medicinal treatment is quite useless; tactful and gentle treatment generally is the only means of doing any good for them, and each case needs to be dealt with largely on its own merits. I do not think it is wise to attempt to breed with this type of bird.

SWOLLEN ABDOMEN (D.S.).—The probability is that the hen is suffering from a diseased condition of the ovary, and the external symptoms are of only secondary importance. Keep it quite warm, and in addition to the usual diet give a morsel of bread and milk well sprinkled with maw seed. In the drinking water add six drops each of dilute sulphuric acid and tincture of opium daily until the evacuations become normal. You may also bathe the feet once daily until better with a warm solution of wych hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a tablespoonful of warm water, then dry gently, and anoint with a little Lanocyllin. Cage the bird alone during treatment, and, as it is very unlikely that she will breed again this season, it would be as well to turn her into a flight where she can get plenty of exercise when convalescent, and keep her there for the remainder of the season, unless she should show urgent desire to go to nest again, in which case you may give her another chance. But the outlook is not promising, unfortunately.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BIRDS FOR AVIARY (F. W. P.).—According to your drawing, and in theory, your aviary looks well, but you will find a little difficulty in getting the birds to take advantage of the sheltered portion. I would suggest that the top half of the partition be made to work on hinges, at the top, so that it can be raised and lowered at will; this lets more light into the interior of the sheltered portion, and you will find without it that the birds will refuse to go in, once they are let outside. You could easily keep about forty birds in an aviary the size of yours, but do not have an excess of cock birds; that is, if you intend to have some of both sexes. For nesting, hang up boxes, wicker work cups, and nest pans, and fasten up bundles or branches of heather, furze, or other pieces of trees, such as birch, pressed rather tightly together, so as to give shelter and a foundation to build on. A couple of box trees in large pots or tubs would look well in the open portion; and if the birds are liberally supplied with wild food, will not be very much injured.

LINNET NOT SINGING (Oxford).—I feel certain your bird is a cock by your description, but it is not long since you wrote for advice respecting his illness; you say he is now better, and I have no doubt will come into song when he has sufficiently recovered from the attack. Feed him as you are now doing, adding a little teazle to the mixture. You say he will only eat dandelion. Have you tried him with any other green food? What about shepherd's purse, chickweed, and groundsel? I have never had one yet but what would sample all these and many others, not that dandelion is otherwise than good for them, but birds, like ourselves, require a change occasionally. I think if you treat him carefully and have a little patience your bird will soon reward you with song. As a rule a liberal supply of cracked hemp soon brings a Linnet into condition, but in your case you cannot give him this, as he has been fed with it much too liberally, and it was undoubtedly the cause of his illness.

BRITISH AND CANARIES IN AVIARY (H. Jones).—I would not advise you to have more than six pairs of birds in your aviary, especially as you intend to try and breed young ones. (2) The hen Goldie and the hen Bullie will do nicely for hybrid breeding, but the fact of them being house-moulted does not make them any more reliable as mothers. Many Finch hens will incubate, but it is seldom they manage to rear the young, and you cannot do better than put the eggs under healthy Canaries. (3) Sorry I am unable to give you the recipe you want; if you keep your back copies perhaps you can look it up yourself. Methods of making egg cake have been published from time to time, and I believe quite a number of fanciers are using it this year instead of the usual egg and biscuit. (4) You could turn in the following pairs:—Goldfinch, Greenfinch, and Linnet; also one cock Canary, two hens, and a hen Bullfinch. This is not quite half a dozen pairs, but they would be a very suitable lot to begin with.

MANAGEMENT OF SIBERIAN GOLDIE (Nicholas).—When you got your bird you should have enquired the conditions under which he had been kept. It is evident to me that the change possibly from a cold room to your warm kitchen has started him into a moult. All you can do now is to keep him free from draughts and in a fairly even temperature. Your stock mixture appears to be all right, but he should also have a spoonful of wild seeds such as dandelion, thistle, gold of pleasure, and others, twice a week, and a little sunflower seed daily. These birds require practically the same treatment as our British Goldie, excepting that during the hot summer weather their allowance of fattening food should be somewhat reduced. If he will not bathe, you might spray him lightly in the early part of fine days, so that he does not get a chill, and goes to roost thoroughly dry.

GOLDFINCH NOT SINGING (Nor'-West).—I do not think there is much the matter with any of your birds. The fact of the young bird singing so lustily is possibly the cause of the silence of the old muler. Birds sing for supremacy, and when one cannot obtain it he will frequently sulk and refuse to open at all. Removal into another room out of hearing of the strong singer will often effect a cure. It is not actually necessary for a Finch to be in stout song to breed. If he is singing, and in healthy condition, with a clear beak, he is fit to breed with; in fact, I have known them to fertilise eggs when not in tip-top condition. Naturally, the more forward they are the better one's chances of success. (2) Fatness does not mean condition, as fanciers understand the term: in fact, an overfat bird, either cock or hen, will often prove unfertile. Your feeding appears to be quite right, and I would advise you to continue with it. It is quite early in the season for Finches to be fit; the wild birds in the open are far from it.

LOSS OF LINNET (A. H. Lodge).—Your bird may have caught cold, in which case the remedies you gave it would be useless. A few drops of whisky would have been far more useful. At this time of the year one wants to be particularly careful about hanging birds outside for any length of time, especially if they have been in a warm room all the winter. They should be got used to it gradually, say half an hour at a time in the sunshine. Of course, I may be mistaken, and he may have died of quite a different ailment. If you should lose another and are not quite decided about him, why not send the body to Mr. Yates for examination and report? It would be much more satisfactory and possibly prevent further loss. In future I would also advise you to use larger cages; the small back cage is not at all suitable for an active bird for any length of time, and exercise is as necessary as proper food.

LINNET-CANARY MULES (G. I.).—If you are anxious to get some more Linnet-Canary Mules from your pair, I would advise you to keep them in the breeding cage, as you have them more under control, and are therefore rather more certain of results. Let their stock food be sound canary with a third summer rape, and a little mixed seed twice a week, and a spoonful of egg food also twice a week, but not on the days you give the mixed seed. Your aviary is large enough to hold more birds than you have in it at present, but, of course, the less you have the better chance of success, and you had much rather have a couple of successful pairs than an aviary full that do no good.

YOUNG THRUSHES AND BLACKBIRDS (James A. Merue).—In selecting young Thrushes from the nest, take the brightest in colour; with Blackbirds, take the darkest. You will invariably find that the cock birds of both species are stronger than the hens, and are consequently to be found at the top of the brood. With adult Thrushes it is difficult to sex a single bird, but as yours sang some time ago it is no doubt of the right sex. The ailment you speak of is caused through improper feeding, and you had better give him an aperient of Glauber Salts for one day, repeating three days later. I also advise you to change his food; get a pound of good insectile mixture and give it him three days a week, mixing it with scraped raw carrot or boiled potato. Let him have scraps from the table, such as a little finely minced lean meat, pieces of suet pudding, rice pudding, or a cube of bread and milk. Why not send for our Nutshell Booklet on the Thrush? It will give you just the information you require to keep him in health.

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FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

RING-NECK PARRAKEETS (R.L.).—(1) You really do not give me sufficient data to go upon, so I can only assume that your cage is rather small for the two birds, and that in consequence they are in each other's way. The minimum cage for any prospects of breeding Ring-necks in should be 3ft. square, and from 3 to 4ft. high, with a nest barrel, say 9in. diameter by 12in. deep, hung up at top of back corner. I presume you have a pair—the hen has no black and rosy ring, but the ring is somewhat faintly indicated in emerald green. If the disagreement continues and you cannot give them roomier quarters, then keep them in two cages standing side by side. Pairs frequently damage each other a little before they are properly mated and settle down to nesting. If Mrs. Ring-neck continues her violence, such can only be stopped by separation as above; they can be tried together again later if a pair. (2) As a rule the hen, before laying, is mopy, sitting or moving listlessly about with dropped wings; much time is also spent in and about the nest receptacle. It frequently happens that these birds take a year to settle down before they go to nest, and, if yours are young birds, it may be two years before they do so. The only thing is to meet their requirements as indicated above, and then exercise patience till the birds take the required step.

TALKING AMAZON (T.H.S.).—There is much variation in talking capacity or inclination among the different species of Amazons, and equally as much between individuals of the same species. My own experience, as well as that gained generally from birds seen at friend's, etc., or heard of, places the Blue-front at the head of the list of talking Amazons. One sees and hears of the other species producing talented birds, but not in anything like the same number, even when making due allowance for the Blue-front being the species most freely imported. Every Parrot has the power of speech, but all are not equally responsive, even non-talkers are usually good mimics of sounds, calls, etc. You have a tame bird, and I should say give it at any rate another six months' trial. As well as continuing your present method of training, utter a short appropriate phrase to it whenever you give it any titbit from your fingers, holding the dainty before the bird—e.g., "Apple for Polly," etc. Keep its cage where the bird will share the daily life of the household, and it should pick up many things from the ordinary conversation, etc., going on around. While one should always use the constant repetition method to some extent, the vocabulary of most Parrots is largely gleaned from what goes on around them.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Goulbian Finches," No. 16 "Aradavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

BUDGERIGARS (A. Cook).—You should not put new birds with the present ones till they are in condition again. Have your new cage as roomy as conditions will permit, give them twiggy branches for perches, and put in a good sized husk. Supply seeding and flowering grass ad lib when you can get it free from frost. I think your present birds will pick up as soon as we get some decent spring weather, and it would be well, as soon as you can arrange it, to have their cage thoroughly washed out first with some insecticide, and then with boiling water, letting the food vessels go through the same process. Also soak the husk in boiling water, and put in again when quite dry. Till your present birds have quite recovered tone, I should continue the treatment advised in previous replies. Your query, with others, went astray in post, hence delayed reply.

PORTUGUESE NAME (G.C.G.).—I am away from home and my books, and cannot answer your query till our next issue.

YELLOW-RUMPED SEEDEATERS, ETC. (Topping).—Unless the cock should prove troublesome they will be best left together, you cannot treat wild Finches quite the same as Canaries. I should leave the old pair together all the season, subject to above qualification. The same applies to the Java Sparrows, the only need to separate the sexes is to check breeding during the winter months. Either a rush-nest or a Roller Canary travelling cage will meet the needs of both species; and hay and grass will suffice for nesting material.

AFRICAN SILVERBILLS (J. W.).—The Silverbill is a weaving-finch, and in a state of nature constructs a spherical nest in bush or tree. In a cage a rush-nest or Roller Canary travelling cage should be put up in one corner of your cage near the top; in so small a cage as yours a rush-nest would occupy the least space. If you leave them to themselves and supply a little hay and grain they will line the nest therewith. These birds will rear their young on seed and greenfood alone, but when they have young it is best to supply a mixture of equal parts of crumbled sponge cake and good ants' eggs, make same slightly moist with boiling milk—only a small quantity will be required. I should give them a millet spray occasionally, and keep one in the cage continually while they are feeding young.

AUSTRALIAN PARROT (W. A. W.).—Bathe the feet in hot-water, not hot enough to cause discomfort. Dry with a soft cloth and then paint with neat whisky. If there are any sores anoint these with a little boracic ointment. Keep its bowels moving quite freely by occasional doses of Dinneford's magnesia—one teaspoonful in the drinking-water. The bowels should move quite freely, but should not be continuously watery-loose. When not giving the magnesia put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. You must give it a few drops of cod-liver oil emulsion daily, either on bread, biscuit, or plain cake, if it will eat either of these; if not, then give it, say, three drops direct to the mouth twice a day till it has recovered its strength. Examine its mouth and throat, and if this is at all slimy or furred, put a little honey and borax into the mouth from the end of a stick daily till it is quite clear. You do not say how you have been feeding, nor what kind it is. But, if as I suspect, it is a Roseate Cockatoo, then its diet should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, stale crusts and biscuits. Grit (not sand), cuttlebone, and a piece of wood for it to cut up, should be in the cage continuously.

BUDGERIGARS (P. E. W.).—Budgerigars need two husks, so that they may have the privilege of exercising a little choice as to their domicile and also provide a fresh clean nest for the second brood if they will condescend to use it. A superfluity of linsks is a necessity where several pairs are kept together, or there would be nothing but fighting for a favourite husk, for more than one pair would be sure to fancy the same husk. A millet spray is appreciated, as also are a few oats occasionally. The latter may be given regularly when they are feeding young. Our "Nutshell," No. 18, 2½d., post free from our Manager, will tell you all about this popular species.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Ap. 6, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. Lecture on Seeds, etc., by Mr. T. Harrison, Altrincham. Election of judge for F.F. show.—J. Spencer.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Ap. 8, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.30. N.F. show. Shall we hold one? If so, preliminary arrangements. Members please attend.—E. Johnson.

Altrincham C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Station Cafe, 8. Lecture on Colour Breeding and Colour Feeding.—Charles Leah.

Abersychan C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Queen's Hotel, 7. Important business.—F. Sweeting.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—Ap. 6, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Lecture on the Norwich Plainhead by Mr. Booth (late sec. M. and N.C.O.S.). Fanciers cordially invited.—J. Whitehead.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Ap. 6, New Inn, 8. Breeding questions.—A. Wood.

Bowling B.F.A.—Ap. 12, Napoleon Hotel, 7.30. Owing to Easter holidays the next meeting will be on the above date instead of Ap. 5. Schedules now ready.—J. Nicholl.

Bootle C.B.S.—Ap. 6, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Linacre Road, 7.30. General business. Hints on the breeding season, by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe.—A. E. Huyton.

Bolton C.B.S.—Ap. 6, Joiners' Arms, Deansgate, 8. Special business.—P. Brierley.

Bedlington C.B.S.—Apr. 3, Turk's Head Hotel, 7. Election of officers and other important business. Old and nef members given a hearty invitation.—T. H. Thompson.

Bedford and Beds United C.B.S.—Ap. 15, Roise Street Schoolroom, 6.30. Tea (8d. each) and social for members and friends; ladies invited.—A. Simons.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Ap. 7, Headquarters, 7.45. Cups, etc.—J. C. Bell.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Crown Hotel Hills', 8.30. Fixing date of N.F. show, and elect judge.—J. H. Jones.

Clapham C.B.A.—Ap. 6, Clock House, Clapham Park Road, 8. Discussion on preparing egg food, opened by sec. All fanciers welcome.—T. J. Hose.

Chorley C.B.S.—Ap. 7, White Lion Inn, 7.30. Final arrangements for removal and other important bus.—J. H. Welch.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Ap. 5, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8.—J. Southworth.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Ap. 6, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, S.E., 7.30. Lecture on the Norwich by Mr. Frank Cole.—D. Reeks.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Black Swan, 7. Arrangeemnts for table show and fixing syllabus.—A. Walton.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Ap. 5, Regent Hall, Abbeymount, 8. Last meeting for enrolling new members, and booking of hens.—R. S. Spence.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Ap. 3, Fountain Inn, 7. Arranging members' shows, etc., dates and judges. Please note change of time.—S. Wilcock.

Huddersfield O.S.—Ap. 17, Headquarters. Meeting postponed from Ap. 3. All table shows postponed until the F.F. show, June 17.—A. Lawford.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Ap. 6, the Nightingale Hotel, High Road, Wood Green, 8. Table show Brit. Judge, Mr. A. Silver.—P. Brooks.

Halifax O.S.—Ap. 10, instead of Ap. 3, owing to the holidays.—H. Clegg.

Idle C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Springfield Hotel, 7.30. Important business.—C. E. Hylton.

Great Horton O.S.—Ap. 3, Station Hotel, 6.30. Business important.—A. W. Hartley.

Leeds C.B.S.—Ap. 4, Lockhart's, next to Hope Bros., Briggate, 7.30. General business; lecture on Breeding and Rearing, by Mr. W. A. Wilson.—E. Norton.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Ap. 3, Lockhart's, 7.30. Gen. business, and judges for annual show.—H. Best.

Leith O.S.—Ap. 10, Liberal Club, Hope Street, 7. Booking of hens; replies from judges; last night for enrolling new members.—G. W. Brown.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Ap. 8, Oldham's Hall, 8. Election of judges for old show; hints on breeding season, by Mr. J. McDermott. Interested visitors warmly welcomed.—T. R. Jones.

Lancaster C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, 7.30. Business important; old and new members please attend.—H. Hoyle.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Ap. 7, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Allotting of specials, result of ballot paper, etc. Members not paid up by Ap. 7 for 1914 cannot be returned to Union (rule 12).—W. H. Symes.

Manningham C.B.A.—Ap. 3, Mowbray Arms, 8. Revision of schedules for members' shows.—F. Darwent.

Manchester and N.C.O.S.—Ap. 5. Meeting cancelled owing to Easter holidays.—F. Hayward.

Middleton C.B.S.—Ap. 5, Old Boar's Head, 8. Young bird trophy; important business; also new members.—J. Hulton.

Morley C.B.S.—Ap. 6, Shoulder of Mutton, Bruntcliffe, 7. General business.—Wm. Bywater.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Ap. 6, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Rules. Very important.—A. Colley.

Northern Border Fancy C.C.—Ap. 7, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, 7.45, Lecture by Mr. Johnston, Wallsend-on-Tyne, on the Breeding and Exhibiting of the Green Border Fancy. Fanciers, members or not, are cordially invited.—C. Farrer.

Northern Norwich P.H.C.—Ap. 10, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Annual meeting, election of officers, balance-sheet, etc.—F. W. Laidlow.

Oxford C.B.S.—Ap. 7, the "Welsh Pony," George Street, 8. F.F. show business.—A. F. Fifield.

Openshaw Gorton C.B.S.—Ap. 14, Alhambra Club-room, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Show business, important. Judge, etc.—W. Newton.

Poplar C.B.S.—Ap. 15, All Hallows, East India Dock, 8. Adjourned annual meeting. Important business, which necessitates all members being present.—A. H. Marhoff.

Redhill C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Lindsay's Hotel, 8. Table show of Goldfinches. Sec. hopes there will be a good entry, also plenty of members, both old and new.—G. Martin.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Ap. 6, Headquarters, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8. Minutes of last meeting and other business.—G. Lord.

Reading C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Palmer Hall, 8.—O. C. Smith.

Redcar C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Crown and Anchor, 7.30. Gen. business.—W. Boagey.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—Ap. 6, Liberal Club, 8. Guarantees close for F.F. shows; other important business.—W. Everett.

Southampton C.B.S.—Ap. 7, Waterloo Hotel, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. W. G. Fellows, "The Norwich Canary."—W. L. Page.

Scotland Gate C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Social Club, Choppington, 7.30. New members enrolled, and officers for the coming season.—T. Rigg.

Shipley O.S.—Ap. 7, Victoria Hotel, 7. Balance-sheet 1914; dates and judges for members' shows to be fixed. Long and Craven. (Please note change of secs.)

S. Shields C.B.S.—Ap. 3, "Cyprus," 7. Annual sub. in future 5s. per year.—W. F. Smith.

London Col. and F.S.—Ap. 8, Headquarters, 7.30. General meeting. Election of judges for annual show, and other business.—G. Burton.

S.E. London F. and F.A.—Ap. 12, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. General meeting postponed till April 12, owing to Easter. Mr. Clark has promised new cup for pigeon section.—R. Jackson.

Wood Green F.A.—Ap. 13, Adult School, High Road, 8.30. Meeting and show. Judge, Mr. Onslow.—T. Callegari.

Windhill C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Schedules and prizes for members' shows. Subs. now due for quarter ending March.—J. Taylor.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Meeting adjourned owing to holidays intervening.—C. C. Andrews.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Horse and Groom, 7. Monthly business.—W. Chapman.

Wigan C.B.S.—Ap. 3, Legs of Man Hotel, 7.30. Further discussing new rules, etc.; very important.—E. Ball.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

A. W. Guthrie.—Your explanation is the correct one. A clear egg is one that has failed to be fertilised, and an addled (or "rotten," as you term it) egg is one which has been fertilised, but in which the germ has died after incubation has proceeded for some period.

W. Forbes.—Many thanks for the newspaper cutting, which we will certainly use should space permit.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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ROSELLAS male and two hens, reared young and now nesting, 30/- each: B. Jones, Falkirk-st., Kingsland-rd., London. (208)

GOLDEN-BREASTS, 5/- pair; Firefinches, 5/- pair; acclimatised and healthy; Joseph Scott, 39, Westminster-st., Gateshead. (211)

BEAUTIFUL pair green Budgerigars from garden aviary, nice feather and condition, nesting, 6/6: 167, Boundaries-rd., Balham, London. (210)

SENEGAL Parrot, acclimatised, for sale, cash offer, or exchange talking Amazon or Grey: Clark, Church-st., Garmouth, Morayshire. (211)

OUTDOOR aviary, fine cock Grey Java, taken several prizes, 5/6; wanted hen Zebra Finches; approval: Hollick, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (210)

GRAND Indian Rock Parrot, acclimatised, perfect condition, good plain talker, £5, including cage; worth double: Homer, Ironmonger, Cradley. (206)

SALE, splendid young Indian Green Parrot, commenced talking, with cage, 30/-, carriage paid: Marshall, Joiner, 14, Fishergate, Nottingham. (213)

BUDGERIGARS, all in outdoor aviaries, splendid breeders; adult pairs, 5/-; yellow, 6/6, approval, deposit: Lewis, Zoo, Handsworth, Birmingham. (212)

PARROT, grey and red, acclimatised, hardy, healthy, splendid condition, with large cage, signed talking warranty, 4 months' trial my risk, 30/-; easy payments taken: 270, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich.

WANTED at once, Pennant, Rosella, Mealy Rosella, Blossomhead and Turquoisine Parrakeets, Virginian and Green Cardinals, in pairs; acclimatised; approval required under deposit system: Rowland Hartley, Hazelden Hall, Wakefield.

WAR; small consignment only, "Improved Secure" Budgerigar breeding husks, as sold by me only for 20 years, nothing equals them for successfully rearing Budgerigars; no more procurable; 5/6 dozen, 8d. each: Harper, 300, Tividale-rd., Tipton, Staffs. (212)

AFRICAN Grey Parrot, with red tail, good talker and wonderful mimic, speaks in a clear voice, very tame, in good round cage, £3 3/-: Miss Conroy Bruce, 45, Edinburgh-rd., Northampton; also pair of splendid green Budgerigars, breeding, 5/6. (197)

VERY large Rock Parrot, 2 years old, guaranteed talker, in splendid health and feather, 15/-, with strong large cage, 20/-; also a splendid pair Parrakeets, been in aviary all winter, 10/- the pair; or will exchange other birds: Day, the Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (209)

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FOR sale, fine pair adult Cockatiels, bred last year, had 5 young; also cock Bullfinch, pair Goldfinches, pair Greenfinches, 14/6 lot; approval: Miss Ford, Kimbers, Maidenhead. (210)

CRESTED cocks, 10/-; hens, 5/-; Norwich Plainheads, cocks, 7/6; hens, 5/-; ready to nest; six Linnets, house-moulted, 3/6 each; 3 cock Goldfinch Mules, exchange Bullfinch hens or Canaries: G. Holloway, 15, Ganna Park-rd., Plymouth. (211)

WANTED.

WANTED, landrails, etc.: Rattigan. (See Softbills.)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries, good price given for good birds: A. Senior, 55, George-st., Leeds. (215)

WANTED Red-crested Cardinal, on approval: Mrs. Biscoe Smith, Garsdale, Emsworth, Hants. (207)

WANTED, three cock Skylarks, hand-reared; no fancy price: Winckles, 74, Hessle-rd., Hull. (213)

FIVE Yorkshire hens, nicely marked, lot 2/6 each; or exchange; stamp reply: Whiting 109, Whelton-st., Chelsea. (217)

WILL give 5/- for large cocks, or exchange Scotch blankets, value 25/-: Andrew Dawson, 689, Duke-st., Glasgow. (205)

WANTED, cock Cordon Bleu, hen Green Singing Finch; also small Parrakeets: 12, Wellington-st., Swindon. (214)

WANTED, Goldfinches, Linnets, Larks, etc.; state price: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham. (214)

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, give 6/- cocks, 1/- hens, stamp reply: Miss Davis, 141, King's-rd., Camden Town, London. (214)

WANTED, good big healthy typical Norwich, with good heads; I give 10/- pair: Scott, 22, Harcourt Drive, Glasgow. (218)

WANTED pairs of Cockatiels, Canaries, Mules and fowls and bantams, prompt cash: Supply, 45, Great Bridge, Tipton, Staffs. (101)

WANTED, house-moulted mealy Redpoll, Yellowhammer, Siskin, or Goldfinch cock, cheap, or exchange silver English lever: W. Mitchelhill, Longtown, Cumberland. (218)

BEST price given for Norwich and Yorkshires, also British birds: Fanciers' Provider, 24, Station-rd., Manor Park, Essex. (211)

WANTED, a large quantity of Canaries for export, also British birds: best prices paid: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydvil. (157)

WANTED, hen Pekin Robin, hen Grey Java, hen Alario Finch, for outdoor aviary; approval: Reynolds, High-st., Stourbridge. (213)

CANARIES, wanted, pair Scotch Fancy, exchange trout-salmon rod, ratchet reel, new, £2; bargain: 55, Gilmore-place, Edinburgh. (217)

WANTED Norwich and Yorkshires for cash or exchange chicks or laying pullets, pure; Bosher, 345, Barking-rd., East Ham, Essex. (195)

WANTED pair Rollers; exchange new King air-gun, 7/6; or Norwich cock, Vardy's, 8/-: A. Holmes, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Derbyshire. (212)

WANTED, large yellow Yorkshire cock, in exchange for 3 Yorkshire hens, or sell, 8/6; on approval: Walker, Sun Inn, Skelton, Penrith. (215)

WANTED common Norwich or Finch Mules; exchange good Greypate cock Finches, warranted in full song: Saunders, Secretary, Tiverton. (216)

WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per doz.; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

WANTED, singing Mules, Canaries, fancy pigeons, doves, bantams, dogs, Persian kittens, Parrots; prompt cash: Goldin, Tib-st., Manchester. (217)

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WANTED, Canaries, British birds, pigeons, dogs, puppies, Parrots, monkeys, mice, guinea pigs, ferrets, poultry; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (214)

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WANTED, offers for 200-egg incubator, Hearson's pattern; "The Success," by Davies, Smethwick; good working order; approval or deposit: Maddock, Cowley Manor Gardens, Cheltenham.

WANTED, Canaries, 50 healthy cocks, for cash, good price given for quality, also 30 hens; business straight, deposit, same address 22 years: G. Smith, Central Bird Stores, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (216)

WANTED, light hen Mule, albino, cinnamon, or freak British birds, cash, or exchange Norwich, Yorkshire; all breeds chickens, 5/9 dozen; reliable hatching eggs, 2/- for 13: Morgan, Shakespeare-st., Cardiff. (216)

WANTED, cash offers for 12 cock and 12 hen Norwich, warranted strong healthy birds, singly or together, also 2 grand dark cock Goldfinch Mules; cards not answered: Hetherington, Alderton, Chippenham. (208)

WANTED, any quantity Canaries, any variety, good price given for good healthy birds; also cock Goldfinch Mules on full song. I will give 6/- each; deposit with Editor: Roberts' Buildings, The Liverpool Bird Market. (212)

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EXCHANGE, 1914 Crest cock for good Crest-bred cock; approval: "J.," 8, Sheredan-rd., Higham's Park, London, E. (211)

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EXCHANGE, good variegated yellow Yorkshire cock for good Roller cock, sell 12/6: 90, Woodford-lane, Over Winsford, Cheshire. (209)

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GRAND Modern Black-red Game cockerel and hen, can win, exchange for 1914 Yorkshire hen or good Roller cock: Allen, 10, St. Mary's-rd., Faversham. (206)

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PURE Whippet dog, two years, three times nd Kilmarnock handicaps inside three months; sell £[illegible]; or exchange anything useful: Gilmour, 34, Doubledrow, Kilwinning. (218)

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WILL exchange one pair of lady's boots or one suit length or dress length, or 2 pairs of boys or girls' boots, from 7's to 10's, for two cock Canaries or 5 hens: Cummings, 4, Richmond-terrace, Leeds.

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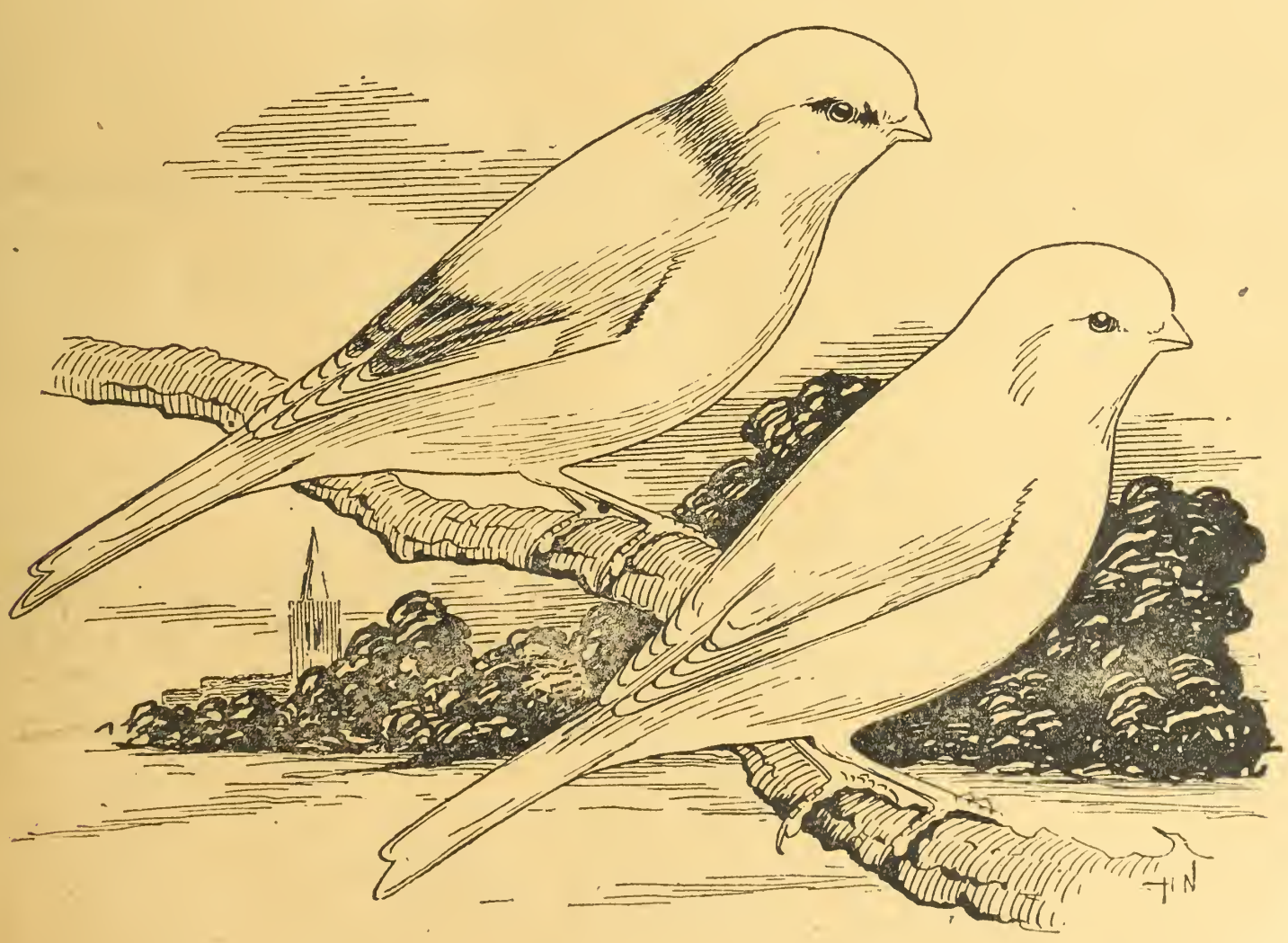

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JUDGE SILK, 27, St. Michael's-rd., Aldershot, late of Whitstable, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich. Winner at all leading shows. Inspection invited. Show and stock birds at reasonable prices; approval; state requirements; I may be able to supply you.

WANTED Norwich Canaries: Enock Power, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

SEVERAL useful hens, 2/6 and 3/6 each: Parkyn, 18, Southampton-st., Fitzroy-square, W. (227)

CHAMPION Norwich cocks from 6/6; hens from 3/6: W. Growdridge, 59, Clarendon-rd., Hinckley.

STOUT, unflighted buff Norwich cock, 5/-; approval anywhere, deposit: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton. (227)

REAL good pair Norwich, cock a winner, with show cage and case, 25/-: Soper, 22, Vernon-road, Sutton, Surrey. (227)

MRS. JAMES BANKS has still a few yellow and buff cocks and hens to dispose of: 51, Bulhousie-st., Perth, Scotland. (192)

HALHEAD, "St. Helier," Foxley Hill-rd., Purley. Five cocks from 7/6, six hens from 2/6; yellow hen 5/6; stamp. (222)

TYPICAL high-class Buff Norwich hens at reasonable prices; can be seen any time: Hutton, Alexandra Hotel, Penge. (226)

PRIZE and prize-bred buff Norwich hens and buff cocks; particulars, stamp reply: McLennan, 16, Market-st., Forres. (226)

TYPICAL specimens of this variety, yellows only, cocks 10/6, hens from 5/-: Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (227)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, two good matched pairs for sale, 10/6 per pair, related to winners: C. Walker, 103, Belvior-st., Hull. (224)

HEALTHY 1915 outdoor aviary-bred Norwich Canaries, cocks 5/-, 5/6, hens 2/6, 3/-: H. Morley, Baker, Linton, Cambs. (224)

TWO pairs left, 25/- and 30/-, best of health and breeding condition, approval: Robson, 28, Camden-grove, Peckham, London. (216)

HALFORD, 10, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak.—Norwich cocks and hens, cock Goldfinches, hen Bullfinches; inspection invited.

SIZE will tell; slashing big 1913 monster buff cock, top breeding form, 16/-; approval willingly: Laidlow, Painter, Langholm.

NORWICH and Yorkshire cold-room bred, cocks, 7/6, 10/6: hens, 3/-, 3/6; matched pairs, 12/6: Bright, Ensbey Green, Catford, S.E. (214)

YOUNG Norwich hens, strong, healthy condition, 2/6 each, four 9/6; satisfaction guaranteed: S. Smith, 10, Waterloo-st., Hove. (225)

HAVING selected breeding stock, can spare few good Norwich, both sex; approval, cash or deposit: Murrell, Printer, Spalding. (223)

NOTICE; grand lot Norwich, for show or breeding, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

CHAMPION Norwich, large Bullfinch type, pairs from 17/6; all unflighted; approval, deposit, stamp: Clarke, 69, Felixstowe-rd., Ipswich. (218)

NORWICH cocks and hens for sale cheap, to clear, well-bred; money first, or deposit: Miss McDonald, Meadow Bank, St. Leonards-on-Sea. (226)

FOUR nice healthy Norwich hens, 4/- each, or exchange lot for good typical yellow cock; yours first: Clough, 145, Clifton-rd., Rugby. (224)

HANDSOME rich yellow and variegated young Norwich cocks, grand songsters, 4/-, two 7/6; hens 2/3 each: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (222)

PRIZE-BRED, large yellow Norwich cock, 7/6; variegated yellow cock, 7/6; cash or deposit: Geo. Isherwood, 3, Alyn-st., Mold, North Wales. (226)

UNFLIGHTED Norwich, 4 buff cocks, and one heavy yell. var. cock, almost green, well bred, reasonable; approval: Adam, 225, Montrose-st., Brechin. (224)

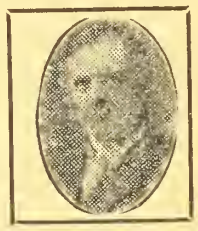
HIGH-CLASS Norwich, cocks or hens, very large and grand type; judge of many shows; reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 32, Colborn-st., Nottingham.

DECLINING Fancy; must sacrifice immediately; rich fed buff Norwich hen, won 2nd recently, accept 7/6; also yellow hen, won 3 honours, 7/6; worth treble: Lewis Edgeley, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (227)

The BULL-DOG STRAIN

Champion Norwich and Yorkshires.

20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- per Pair.



The above strain needs no bounce. Their winnings for the past few years are sufficient proof that there is no better blood in the fancy. I am now offering birds bred from this strain at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/- each. Matched Breeding Pairs, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- per pair upwards.

I have also a few good birds bred from other well-known strains at following prices:—**Smart Thick-set Cocks**, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Good Cobby Hens**, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 19/- each. **Matched Breeding Pairs**, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES.

Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 each. **Erect racy Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. **Matched Breeding Pairs**, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. **EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES**, bred from my own winners, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each upwards.

APRIL, 1915. **UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY.** APRIL, 1915.

The following testimonials (in addition to scores of others (which are filed here for the Inspection of all visitors), have been received the last week:—

Besthorpe, Collingham, Notts.—I beg to inform you that at our Annual Show (Newark C.B.S.) I took one 1st with a Yorkshire cock I had from you in 1913, and two 2nds with two youngsters bred from him. Thanks for bird received this week.—Walter Ashton to Joe Thomas.

19, Edward St., Nuneaton.—Received birds safe and am well satisfied. They are the best I have seen for the money.—R. E. Pallett to Joe Thomas.

75, Penrhiwceiber Rd., Penrhiwceiber, South Wales.—Bird arrived safe, and am very pleased with it. I thank you for the prompt way you carried out my order. I shall always recommend you to my friends.—A. Avery to Joe Thomas.

Fish and Duck, Prick Willow, Ely, Cambs.—The hens arrived safe and sound. They are two beauties for the money. I have had several from other bird dealers, but never had such quick dispatch before.—J. E. Pope to Joe Thomas.

8, Park Square, Esher, Surrey.—Received bird quite safe. I am very well satisfied with it and thank you for sending so quick after order.—W. Simmonds to Joe Thomas.

18, Queen St., Inverkeithing.—Birds arrived safe and sound. I am highly pleased with them. This is the **fifth time** I have purchased from you and you have given me satisfaction every time.—J. Prattis to Joe Thomas.

The above are a fair sample of letters I receive by every post from all over the kingdom, and only considerations of space prevent me from printing scores weekly. **Please remember this, however: I guarantee the same absolute satisfaction to every customer.**

ROLLERS, MULES, CRESTS, BORDER FANCIES, &c.

British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. **Hens same pure strain**, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. **Matched Pairs**, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- 30/-.

Mules.—Goldfinch Mule cocks, in full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- each.

CRESTS AND CRESTBREDS.—I am exceptionally well placed at present as regards this variety, having acquired the stocks of some well-known breeders. I have some exceptionally large, massive birds, with plenty of feather, including some that can win. Crested Cocks, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- each. Crested Hens, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each. Crestbred Cocks, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/- each. Crestbred Hens, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. Matched Breeding Pairs, personally selected, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/- per pair upwards.

MULING HENS.—Large, healthy, Sib.-bred Muling Hens, in perfect condition, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. These I can specially recommend to Mule breeders.

BORDER FANCIES.—Grand, smart, typical birds, real "Wee Gems," full of life and vigour, and bred from well-known winning strains. Cocks, in full song, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. Hens, in perfect health and condition, 3/-, 3/6 4/-, 5/-, 7/6 each. Matched Breeding Pairs, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair.

SONGSTERS! SONGSTERS!! SONGSTERS!!!—Champion song cocks, in full free song, 7/6, 8/6, and 10/6 each. Sure to give satisfaction. Approval anywhere.

EXPORT ORDERS.—I export birds to every point of the compass, and shall be pleased to quote prices of birds delivered to any address in the world.

TERMS.—Cash or deposit with Editor. **Easy Payments** can be arranged if necessary with genuine fanciers.

Travelling Cages **3d.** extra in all cases.

Remember This, Please.—I invite you to come on any day but Sunday and inspect my stock, and make your own selection. If unable to come, I am prepared to send any number of birds to any address in the Kingdom on 10 days' approval at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to every customer, or cash returned in full. **Send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue.**

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OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

FOR disposal, 3 buff cocks, 3 buff hens, 5 yellow hens, cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-, of good quality and typical birds; exceptional bargains; approval willingly; S.N.P.C., Withers, 21, Oxford-rd., Ealing.

GRAND colour-fed Norwich cocks, in full song, real Bullfinch type, with large heads, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each, worth double; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit Editor: North, Breeder, 445, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (227)

EXTRA large thick-set, even-marked, 4-point buff Norwich cock, in breeding condition and good every way, 25/-; worth mere; would accept good buff hen as part payment; approval: Pennal, Totteridge, High Wycombe, Bucks. (227)

MAGNIFICENT pair correctly matched high-class Norwich Plainheads, rare size, type and quality, certain to breed winners, only 12/6; honestly worth 25/-; genuine bargain; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (208)

MR. C. W. SILK has some high-class Norwich for disposal. This strain has won at all the leading shows in England. I have some good cocks or hens from 10/- to 60/-; also matched pairs from 20/- to 80/-; approval willingly: Glenrosa, Emsworth. (213)

MASSIVE deep-chested, large framed, rich colour-fed marked yellow Norwich unflighted cock, winner of several honours, cost £2 15s. last November, L.C.B.A. show, accept 15/-; must sacrifice; compelled, decline Fancy: Edgeley, 491, Grove Green-rd., Leytonstone. (227)

HAVING paired up I have some good birds I could part with; unflighted buff clear cock, £1; yellow clear cock, 10/-; buff green hen 10/-; buff hen, marked on head, 10/-; clear buff hen, 15/-; they are all well bred birds; stamp reply: Thomas Hutton, Larbert. (227)

CHAMPION Norwich, several judiciously matched pairs, high-class Norwich Plainheads, only 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, and 21/- pair, rare size, type, colour and quality, certain to breed winners; cold-room bred from the best blood in the Fancy; rare chance for beginners; satisfaction guaranteed; approval.—Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (208)

GIVEN away free of cost, a litter of Red Chow pedigree puppies, 9 weeks old, 2 bitches, 1 dog. They simply need a bit of nursing to rear them. We will give one of these to the writers of the first three letters we open who are giving us an order for a prize-bred Norwich or Yorkshire cock Canary, value 17/6, for cash or easy terms. Our easy terms are 2/- deposit and 1/- per week afterwards. Live stock, etc., sent out immediately on receiving the deposit. All domestic pets, aviaries etc., supplied for cash or easy payments: Lambeth Aviaries, 35, Gladstone-st., St. George's-rd., London, S.E. (222)

CHAMPION exhibition, 1914 buff Norwich cock, grand size, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 15/-, honestly worth double; also smart, typical 1914 yellow hen, full of quality, feathered like silk, only 10/6, or 21/- the pair; also large, typical 1914, yellow cock, rare type and quality, good size and substance, only 10/6; also choice 1914 buff hen, real model for type and quality, only 7/6 or 15/- the pair; also several other monster yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 21/- each; also yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, and 15/- each; all are clean, strong, and healthy, are cold-room bred from the best blood in the fancy; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-road, Norwich. (198)

NORWICH Canaries, 1/1½, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London.

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The same strain as the winners at all leading shows; cocks, large typical birds, good head and colour, 10/6; hens 5/6, 7/6 each; pairs mated to breed at once, 10/6, 15/6; a few winners 20/- pair; all honestly worth double; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (158)

THE RELIABILITY

of my birds is guaranteed. If there is any misrepresentation of birds I will refund money willingly; so you may buy any following with every confidence. Handsome Norwich or Yorkshire cocks, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; hens, ready breeding, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; pairs correctly matched, ready immediate breeding, 9/-, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; travelling cages 4d. extra; all pink condition; approval: R. Hanford Derby

A. FIDDAMENT, POSTMAN

can still offer good Norwich cocks, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; also twenty small feeding hens, 3/6; week's approval, deposit: 105, Trinity-st., Norwich. (228)

J. C. BARNES

113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. Well-known stud. Having paired up, find I can still spare the following Norwich, clear yellow cock, 30/-; ditto, 20/-; buff cock, 20/-; ditto, 10/-; good buff hen, 20/-; unflighted buff hen, 10/-; buff cock and yellow hen, 40/-; Yorkshires, clear yellow cock, 30/-; ditto, 20/-; clear buff cock, gem for stock, 40/-; marked buff cock, 15/-; choice buff hen, 20/-; typical yellow hen, 20/-; approval; inspection invited.

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show, 1913. (1810)

RHODE'S Gluck and Water Gluck, Randall's strain direct, B.R.C.C. rung, winners of cups, gold, silver, bronze medals; cocks from 15/-; hens, 5/-; approval: 40, James-st., Bileton. (90)

AVIARY-BRED Roller hens, ready for breeding, 2/6: 160, Brook-rd., N. (218)

ROLLER cocks in song, 3/9, 4/9, and 5/9, hens 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (198)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Fould's strain, cocks 10/6, 12/6; hens 3/6, 4/6; club rung: Evans, 45, Edward-st., Wrexham. (194)

BEST quality rape for Roller fanciers, 4/- per stone, 30 - per cwt.; samples sent: Ives, 85, Legsby-avenue, Grimsby. (207)

WATER-Glucke Rollers, hens, Randall's strain, 3/- each, or useful exchange; cold-room bred: Hodnett, Kingswinford. (218)

TRAINED Seifert Schoolmaster, 10/6, hens, breeding condition, 1914, 3/6, approval; exchange offers: Stores, 614, Fulham-rd.

PURE Seifert Rollers, own breeding, cocks in full song, 7/6; hens, 2/6; condition perfect: Shepherd-Smith, Colwall, Malvern. (207)

ROLLERS, Roehl's strain hens, 4/6, two cocks 12/6 each; approval, deposit: L. Wade, 65, Brading-rd., Brixton Hill (letters only). (116)

ROEHL'S strain Rollers, cocks 8/6, hens 3/-; matched pairs, 10/6; week's approval: Miss Hewett, Oakhanger, Bungerford, Berks. (225)

HANDSOME yellow and variegated young Roller cocks, splendid songsters, 4/-: two, 7/6; hens, 2/3 each: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (222)

NOTICE; grand lot day and gaslight Rollers, full song, reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

RHODES' high-class Rollers, same strain as my winners Birmingham and International; cocks from 20/-; hens sold: 40, James-st., Bilston. (225)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain: hens, all sold, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

EXCEPTIONALLY handsome yellow and variegated young Rollers, cocks, splendid songsters, 7/6; hens, for breeding, 3/3; matched pairs, 10/6: Harris, Tye Estate, Bedfont. (225)

RANDALL'S deep Clucke Rollers, cocks 7/6 upwards, hens, fit for nesting, 3/- each, 3 for 8/-, worth double: cold-room; approval; cash or deposit: Lay, 89, Byron-st., Northampton. (220)

GLUCKE and water Glucke, B.R.C.C., 1914 hens, bred from winners of over 40 prizes, few left at 5/- each; 3 days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Hubert's-rd., Great Harwood. (224)

W. MORRIS has four cocks left, £2 the lot; hens 4/-, 5/- each: Willows strain; the same as my winners of a cup, three large silver medals, and several other special prizes: 35, Dale-st., Wrexham.

A. GOODING, 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London, has a few cocks for disposal, bred from the same strain as his 3rd and best Hollow Glucke at the International Show; cocks from 15/-; approval; B.R.C.C. (144)

LAST season I won prizes at the following shows: Leeds, L.C.B.A., Grimsby, Bolton, Scottish National, Rosendale, Provincial and International shows this season, in prizes every time; cocks, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 5/-: Best, 5, Alma place, Beckett-st., Leeds. (210)

EXCHANGE, for three Roller cock Canaries or Yorkshires, a handsome, large sized, smooth collie dog, four white legs, white tail, white collar, long, lean, well-shaped head, this dog is worth a tenner; approval, or yours; full exchange: Marfitt, Pickering. (226)

H.M. COCKS, 2 Greenfinches, Bramblefinch, Chaffinch, beauty, hand-reared, Twite, Redpoll, Lark, also hens, 2 Bullfinches, Goldfinch, Chaffinch, all nested with me last year, carrying now; exchange for quality Rollers; offers: Hamlyn, Leeds-rd., Harrogate. (227)

TRY THESE

Genuine Rollers of best strains known: cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6. A grand lot of hens, every bird guaranteed untried, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each, equal to those sold at much higher prices. Cages, 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

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Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous Issue, Page, and Column are stated by the advertiser. ADVT. MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS."

HENS.

Genuine Bargains

I am now offering a very choice collection of grand healthy hens, every one guaranteed strong and vigorous, in perfect feather and condition, and ready to nest, at following prices:—

Norwich Hens, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.
BORDER FANCY HENS, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each.
PURE ROLLER HENS (guaranteed bred from good strain of British Rollers). **3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each.**
LARGE MULING HENS, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.
STRONG, HEALTHY YOUNG FEEDING HENS, 3/-, 3/6, 4/- each.

Travelling Cages, **3d.** extra.

Remember this please.—I will send birds to any address in the Kingdom, on 10 days' approval, at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to every customer, or cash returned in full.

JOE THOMAS,
Ambler Thorn, Halifax.
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I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and price are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Cocks with full change of song by day or artificial light, price according to quality of song. Cocks 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, a few extra good songsters 12/6 each.- I have none of the common half-bred rubbish, but have a few classic hens, 2/6, 3/- each. High-class typical Yorkshires, cocks 8/6, 10/6, hens 3/6, 4/-, 4/6; matched breeding pairs, 9/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; also Norwich same prices. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages 2d. each, 2/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: E. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

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Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years, and have received thousands of testimonials. These wonderful songsters only 15/- each on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised and be your own judge. Hens, same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each; Yorkshire, Norwich, and other Canaries on the same terms; list free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (30)

Roller Canaries.

Voogt's Strain.

I invite all Canary Fanciers to read that most interesting and able article, "The Future of the Roller Canary in the United Kingdom," on page 205, "Cage Birds," April 3rd issue. The following birds arrived on Good Friday ex ss. "Colchester," from Rotterdam.

Only 840 HENS.
Only 210 COCKS II.
Only 210 COCKS III.
Nothing More. Nothing Less.

400 Cocks and 420 Hens were sold to one London Dealer within two hours of arrival.

Interesting—but true.

That **11,299** Canaries have been sold **in 4 months.**

Particular Notice.

I have asked my collector to forward this week one crate, 210 extra first-class cocks. To be sure that these birds have soft sweet musical notes of unrivalled singing power. These should be the finest birds of the season. Prices below:—

Cocks No. I., 12/- each; 7 in 7 cages, **60/-**. These are birds with surpassing singing powers. They mostly have soft, sweet musical notes, and improve day by day. Universal satisfaction given.

Only 100 expected.

Cocks No. II., 7/6 each; 7 in 7 cages, **42/-**. These are the birds usually advertised having the Nightingale and Woodlark note, with sundry other qualifications

Cocks, No. III., 6/- each; 7 in 7 cages, **35/-**. There is a great demand for this class of bird, all being good, sound, serviceable Rollers.

Hens, No. I. class, to match Cocks I. class, **3/-** each. Ordinary Cocks, 2 in wicker cage, **3/-**; 14 in 7 cages, **18/8**. The lowest price per 100 is **1/4** each; next week, **1/6** each.

The next consignment should consist of the following and are due here Friday, 9th inst. Those sending cash may rely upon their orders being duly executed, and sent out in order received.

840 HENS.
210 COCKS I. Extra.
210 COCKS II.
420 COCKS III.

TERMS.—Cash with order only. All my customers may rely upon receiving birds answering above descriptions. They are at liberty to lodge any complaint with the Editor of "Cage Birds," by whose decision I shall abide. Telephone: 6311 Avenue.

JOHN HAMLYN,
221, St. George's Street, London Docks, East.
(225)

Scotch Fancies.

SCOTCH Fancy, cocks, or colours, to be cleared out, 10/6 each: Strachan, 30, Maule-st., Arbroath. (223)

COD LIVER OIL

cage bird food with added egg; keeps birds warm, healthy; dealers, 2d.; 1/6; if direct, postage extra: Liverine, Grimsby.

SCOTCH Fancies; 2 third cross yellow hens, young birds, 25/- each: Robt. Neil, 1, Barnes-st., Barrhead. (223)

SCOTCH Fancies, two yellow cocks, two hens, yellow and yellow pied; approval: Charles McLean, 57, New-rd., Ayr. (222)

THREE pairs of Scotch Fancies, mated for breeding, also cages and carrying cases, must be sold cheap; A. Nisbet, 8, Blair-st., Galston. (224)

SCOTCH Fancies, 1914 bred, one yellow cock, one buff hen, good birds, seen any time; no approval; stamp reply: John Muir, 5, Bridge-st., Kirkwall. (192)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

WANTED Yorkshire Canaries: Enock Power, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, E.

YORKSHIRE hen Canaries, breeding condition, 2/6 each: W. Ewbank, Brompton, Northallerton. (227)

CAN still supply typical Yorkshires, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6; Pargeter's Aviaries, Grimsbury, Banbury. (227)

YELLOW, buff, green, cinnamon, and marked, cold room, clean, reasonable: Hawkesley, Cottingham, Hull. (220)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

GOOD birds, 4 cocks, 6/-, one 7/-; 3 hens, 4/-; 5 breeding cages, cheap; Blakesley, Walton House, Hinckley. (223)

FEW stylish Yorkshires for sale; cocks 10/6, hens 6/6; cold-room bred: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting Junction. (193)

TYPICAL high-class Yorkshires at reasonable prices, can be seen any time: Hutton, Alexandra Hotel, Penge. (226)

TIP-TOP pair Yorkshires, cock winner three prizes, nothing better going, price 15/6: Harrison, St. Marks-st., Leeds. (225)

FOUR buff unflighted cocks, over 7 inches long, 15/- each, worth treble for stock: Richards, Aston Fields, Bromsgrove. (222)

ACTIVE service, must sell cheap, 12 pairs, what offers; inspection invited: Brownhill, 29, Mercer-st., Hulme, Manchester. (224)

SHACKLETON'S, two typical buff cocks, yellow hens, eager to nest, 11/6 pair; lot 21/-: Haytock, Florence-st., Rochdale. (227)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, all my well-known stock for sale; cocks, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 4/-, 7/6; James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (214)

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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I HAVE a grand lot, some quarter bred Belgian, cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/6; seen any time; approval: Silver, 102, Richmond-rd., Earl's Court, London. (225)

CLEARING out, long upstanding Yorkshires, Palace strain, a few good pairs left, cheap; also some odd cocks and hens: Write, Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (210)

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BARGAIN to clear: six good Yorkshire stock cocks, 6/- each; live hens, 15/-; warranted in the pink; winning strain; room wanted: Dodgson, 40, Priestman-terr., Bradford, Yorkshire. (229)

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TWO pairs Norwich, big birds, cocks, full song, 8/6 pair: Ernest Barker, Bondgate, Helmsley. (225)

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WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per dozen; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

EXHIBITION 1914 cock Si-kin-Goldfinch Hybrid, 5th L.C.B.A., 25/-, including show cage: Edmund Lamb, "Alverstone," New Malden, Surrey. (228)

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WANTED, any quantity of Goldfinch or Linnet Mules, will give 4/6 to 7/6 each for cocks, hens 1/3; also Goldfinches, will give 2/- to 5/- each for cocks, 7/- to 15/- per pair for colour fed Canaries: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby pl., Bethnal Green (226)

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CATCHERS. One of the best Linnet Mules out, sing anywhere, pure Linnet song, used to nets; trained by F. Allen, 10/6: Gainford, Calder Bridge, Cumberland. (222)

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FOR sale or exchange, two double breeders, three Norwich show cages, and case, all good, 7/6 lot; either Linnet Mule or Roller, good singers: Robert Musgrave, Witton-le-Wear, Co. Durham. (225)

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BARGAINS: Grand large sib hens for light or dark Mule breeding, and ready to nest, at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each; Norwich or Yorkshire type; travelling cage, 3d. extra; seven days approval: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (223)

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STRONG, healthy, adult, outdoor Budgerigars, 4/6 pair: Halls, Claremont, Cornynd, Sudbury, Suffolk. (209)

NOTICE, grand African Grey Parrot, red tail, plain speaker; 35/-; approval: McKeand, Seabright Villa, Castle Douglas. (224)

DIAMOND Doves, cocks, 12/- each; Senegal Doves, 7/6 pair; Barbarys, 3/6 for four: Miss Alderson, Park House, Worksop. (223)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoors, finest possible, 5/- pair; selected breeding pairs, 6/-; yellows, 8/-: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (224)

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FOR sale, King African Parrot, clever talker, mimics, whistles, and laughs, bargain to good home, no postcards; stamp for particulars; no dealers: Dunn, 17, Throgmorton-avenue, E.C. (224)

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Twitterings.

Newcastle C.B.S. Nest Feather Show, we are informed, is fixed for July 3rd. Members and other Secs. please note.

Mr. J. Hyde, hon. sec. Highgate Hampstead C.B.S., has removed from Raydon St. to 122, Dartmouth Park Hill, Upper Holloway.

The London and Provincial O.S. has engaged Mr. J. Robson to give a lecture on "The general management of the bird room" on Thursday next, 8 o'clock sharp, at headquarters, Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate-st., adjoining the old G.P.O. A hearty welcome to all fanciers.

The following well-known gentlemen will officiate as judges at the annual show of the Brechin C.B.S. on Nov. 6, writes Mr. J. Crabb, sec.: Norwich, W. Allison (Aberdeen); Borders, J. Rintoul (Methil); British and Foreign, R. V. Raine (Cathcart). Secs. kindly note date, to avoid clashing.

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"CAGE BIRDS," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

I write to inform you how delighted I was on receiving my Cage Birds of March 27, to find on your front page the drawing of my noted dark Linnet Mule, "Highland Leader." Great credit is due to your artist, Mr. Norman, for his excellent likeness and finish. Wishing Cage Birds all the success it deserves.—James Duncan.

I was pleased to see the portrait of my winning Yorkshire on front page of Cage Birds, for which please accept my thanks. It does your artist, Mr. Norman, great credit, and it is very encouraging to novices like myself to see their winning birds in Cage Birds. I wish your valuable paper every success, writes Mr. W. Andrews (Peckham).

The drawing of my Crestbred hen, second at the L.C.B.A., I think looks a treat in Cage Birds 1915 Annual. I might say I have been a reader of Cage Birds since its commencement, and I am proud we have such a paper in the Fancy. I hope its circulation keeps on increasing by leaps and bounds; as an advertising medium it has never had an equal.—R. S. Bewick (Newcastle-on-Tyne).

I was very pleased indeed to see my bird on the front page of good old Cage Birds, it reflects great credit on your capable artist, Mr. Norman, and many thanks for this coveted honour, writes Mr. H. L. Huggins. I should like to add that through my two adverts in your paper I have disposed of all my surplus birds (46 in number). I am looking forward to the coming breeding season, and strongly advise all fanciers to put up as many pairs as possible, for I am convinced that there will be an increased demand for the birds this coming season.

OBITUARY.

With deep regret writes Mr. F. Baxter, Sec. Cowdenbeath C.B.S., I have to inform you of the sad blow sustained by one of our members, Mr. Tom Cowan, who has lost his mother. Fanciers will extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. Cowan in his sad bereavement.

It is with feelings of deepest regret, writes Mr. R. Hutchinson, Sec., Stanley Victoria F. and F.S., that I announce the sad loss our esteemed member, Mr. W. Ostle, has had through the death of his daughter. I am sure all our members will join me in extending our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Ostle in their bereavement.

MR. C. DOBSON (Blaydon).

It is with extreme regret, writes Mr. G. Havver, that I have to record the death of that well-known Crest fancier, Mr. C. Dobson, on March 25th, after a somewhat lengthy illness. He has left a widow, four sons, and four daughters. The remains of Mr. Dobson were interred on Palm Sunday in Ryton Cemetery, there being a large concourse of mourners. The fanciers of Blaydon and Newcastle were well represented, among those present being Mr. F. Swan, Sunderland; R. Armstrong, Tyne Dock; Messrs. Coats, Hutchinson, Curry, Crawhall, Robson, Maddison, and Bertram, Newcastle; T. Fletcher, Rowlands Gill, J. Hands, G. Simpson, C. Graham, R. Harris, C. Vallans, Blaydon; and others. Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Dobson and family in their great bereavement. Mr. Dobson was 61 years of age.

In the April number of "British Birds," one shilling monthly, Messrs. Wetherby and Co., High Holborn, the usual "Notes" occupy many of the pages, and are especially interesting. The rest of the issue is taken up by an article on the Blakeney Point Ternery, by Mr. W. Rowan, this being illustrated by many beautiful photographs.

The April issue of the "Avicultural Magazine," the journal of the Avicultural Society, opens with an article by the Editor, Mr. H. D. Astley, on the Red-headed Bullfinch, illustrated with an excellent coloured drawing by Mr. Roland Green. The Marquis of Tavistock relates "Some Experiences of Mealy Rosellas," and many other interesting articles are "Notes on the Breeding of the South African Coly," by Mr. G. H. Gurney; "A Tame Raven," by Mr. R. Phillipps; etc. Dr. Hopkinson continues his useful "English Names for the Parrots."

War on the Sparrows.

A wholesale war on Sparrows has been decided on by the South and West Lancashire farmers. At a meeting of the Liverpool and District Farmers' Club serious complaints were made as to the enormous damage done by Sparrows to the corn crops, and a resolution was passed urging all the residents in urban and rural districts to destroy all the Sparrows' nests they possibly could this year. One farmer, Mr. Frank Jones, of Mossley Hill, stated that half a 20-acre field which had been sown with wheat had been destroyed by Sparrows.

OUR "DISORDERLY BIRD-ROOM" COMPETITION.

This created a tremendous amount of interest, judging by the remarkable number of solutions received, and apparently provided excellent entertainment in the solving of the sixteen "sins" committed by the imaginary owner of the bird-room depicted by our artist.

A very large number of readers got within an ace, as the saying goes, of the absolutely correct solution, which is the list supplied by our artist along with the drawing. The item which caused the great majority to "come a cropper" was to be found in the top right-hand cage. The latter contained two birds (one partially hidden by the seed-hopper) with beaks open in the act of singing—two cocks paired for breeding! Many lists had every item correct with this exception.

The names of the senders of the correct lists were written on slips of paper, and the one drawn showed the winner to be

Mr. Stephen C. Tucker,
255, Folkestone Road,
Dover,

to whom the prize of 5s. will duly be sent.

Some of the competitors treated the matter "humorously," as (1) anyone who ever possesses a bird-room like this untidy one should fill the pail with water and hold his head in it; (2) cage-scraper left on floor, where you are liable to trip over it, especially if you are Norwich type; (3) Sin No. 9 a Canary at large, 10 a mousetrap exposed, 11 pail of water ditto, remove the two last-named quickly, otherwise Sin No. 13, a death!

A curious feature is that 4 or 5 solvers gave the two cock birds as being "two hens in one cage." Others found lists of "sins" from 18 up to 27, such items as "no nesting material provided," "mouse with hole unplugged," "Hawk kept in Canary room," and "no cuttlefish bone in cages," being put upon the list.

Hoping for a Good Time.

With Cage Birds 1915 Annual I am very pleased. I have no Canaries at present, but will have as soon as my room is ready. I had Canaries some time back, only I kept them in an outdoor room, and was not at home all day; but I am now, and my bird-room will be a living room converted into one. I am hoping to have a good time with my birds.—J. C. Hawkes (London, S.E.).

Jackdaw as Workhouse Pet

At Llanfyllin Workhouse there is a pet Jackdaw. It accompanies the children from the workhouse to and from school regularly, perching on a tree within sight of the door while they are at lessons, and immediately they are out again flies over them on the return journey. On Sundays he accompanies the children to Sunday school in quite another direction.

A Fool of a Blackbird.

There is a fool of a Blackbird in my garden (says "F.Z.S.") in the "Liverpool Daily Post"; he cannot tell the difference between his own image and a real bird of flesh and feather. He spent all the breeding season last spring trying to solve the problem, and now, the nuptial time having come round again, he is still literally bumping his silly head against it. Literally, I say, for this idiotic bird, stirred by the martial spirit of the spring, spends a good part of each morning flying at his own reflection in the scullery window. He perches on a wall from which owing to a strange freak of the lights, he can see a perfect image of himself in the glass in front of him; then he sounds his angry challenge and goes full tilt for the window. Of course, he gets a sudden, and I should think painful—or is a pane-ful?—check, and flutters down for a foot or so. Very angry, he returns to his perch on the wall, sees the shadowy rival which he thinks gave him the bump, and returns to the assault. He is always trying to get his own back, and I suppose he will not learn sense until the spirit of rivalry dies a natural death in early summer. Then we shall have peace, and the window will require less cleaning.

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WILD FOODS FOR SEED-EATING BIRDS.

By CHAS. PRIOR (Ropley).

The useful greenfoods, etc., available during April are herein described, and we have, we are pleased to say, been able to arrange with the Author to contribute a similar article in the first issue of each succeeding month.

THE horse in his stable turns instantly from his ration of corn and hay to the first bundle of succulent "greenmeat," and devours it with eager gusto. The stall-fed cow, with months of straw and mangold chewing behind her, literally slobbers with bovine enjoyment at her first visit to the verdant spring pastures. The carnivorous dog, nauseated by the unvarying monotony of biscuit and paunch, seeks an antidote on the grassy banks. Even man himself, the pampered "Lord of creation," despite his art in preserving and forcing the growth of delicacies to tickle his palate, greets with complacent satisfaction the first stick of outdoor rhubarb, the first spring cabbage, the first dish of green peas; the first head of asparagus. Is there one sound reason why the benefit of timely change of diet should not extend also to the birds?

April is here. Winter's frowning visage has capitulated, at long last, to the smiling countenance of Spring. The Yellowhammers and Chaffinches relinquish their task of gleaning around the corn-ricks, and hie them to the hedgerows and trees. The Linnets forsake the stubbles and rough grazing lands, and appear in couples amongst heather, furze and scrub. The Bullfinches return to the orchards; the Goldfinches are back in the elms, beeches and firs. For this is the season of change, and, to the birds of the air, change of situation means also change of diet. Once again, what reason is there for denying at least change of diet to the birds in confinement? The question has but one answer—there is none, and therefore my present purpose is to contribute a short series of monthly notes, indicating some of the good things in the way of wild foods, as they come in season, which may be secured with little effort and supplied with every benefit to all our caged seed-eating pets.

Weeds Everybody Knows.

April brings us three capital green foods—the time-honoured groundsel, chickweed, and dnadelion—and although any of our Finches that eat green food at all will partake freely of either of these at the end of a long spell on "hard seed" food, it is better to consider them separately.

Everybody knows groundsel. It is not at all handsome, and not over-fragrant, but it is very useful: that is, the seeding tops of it are useful. It is true that birds will eat the leaves as well as the tops until the abnormal craving for a change is satisfied, but the normal appetite is for the seed heads, and this preference must be commended.

Greenfinches are extremely fond of these seed heads, biting them clean through with their strong beaks, and chewing them up *en masse*. Bullfinches are almost equally devoted to them, grabbing and tackling them much after the same plan. Goldfinches delight in them, first singling out those heads in which the seed is more fully developed, and then extracting and eating each seed separately; dainty and dexterous in this as in all else. Siskins, Linnets, Twites and Redpolls are all pleased to sample this food, proceeding on lines similar to those of the Goldfinch. Canaries will clear it up, lock, stock, and barrel, or, rather, tops, leaves and stalk. But centuries of domestication have tended to pervert the Canary's instinct, and while the seed tops are unquestionably good food, the rather malodorous plant hardly commends itself as fit for such wholesale consumption.

Chickweed for Canaries.

The next item on our list, however, can be advised for Canaries with every confidence as perfectly safe and highly beneficial. That is chickweed, a shallow-rooted dwarf of a plant of creeping habit, with small leaves and tiny star-shaped flowerlets of pure white, about as well-known as grass. The tiny flower quickly gives place to the small seed-pods; the tiny seeds form quickly in the pod, swell quickly, ripen quickly, and are quickly shed.

In the season all these stages are visible on one single plant, and its maximum feeding value is reached when it is carrying the greatest number of well-filled seed pods just at the bursting point. In this condition I venture to say that for feeding to Canaries which are producing eggs or rearing young, there are few foods of any kind within hail of chickweed.

In this condition Linnets, too, as well as their confreres, Redpolls and Twites, are more than partial to it, and so are Greenfinches and Bullfinches. Goldfinches are not so very keen after it, but Siskins, of course, greedy rascals, take quite kindly to it, and even Chaffinches will sometimes venture upon a dainty nibble.

A Use for Garden Pests.

Chaffinches, Bramblefinches, and the Buntings, however, are better suited by the provision of some kind of wild insect life, as an alternative to the domesticated mealworm, so an effort should be made to cater accordingly. House flies may be trapped for them, though it may not be wise to resort to arsenical fly papers for the purpose. Shaking a gooseberry or currant bush over an outspread newspaper will often yield a few green caterpillars.

Digging in the garden will sometimes bring to hand such delicacies as maggots, wireworms, centipedes, and various other ground insects, and their pupæ. All these are acceptable to the Chaffinch, and will stimulate him into firing off point blank volleys of "pink pink" and salvos of "chickweedo" and "kiss-me-dear." The Brambles and Buntings will also be grateful for the privilege of being allowed to stand in when the spoils are distributed.

Dandelion is available as a green food before April arrives, two or three consecutive fine days bringing along a tender young growth of leaves, in sheltered spots, as early as February. Goldfinches, Greenfinches, and Canaries appreciate them during that period of dearth, but the leaves of the plant are of altogether secondary value as compared with its seeding heads. These last, however, are not available until quite the end of the present month, and then not in any considerable numbers; and they will more properly be associated with the wild foods of May.

Just one more item may be added to April's list, and that will be small twigs of fruit buds—either cultivated or wild. Bullfinches are chiefly concerned with these, and they thoroughly enjoy a supply. The twigs may be entwined in the wire front of cage or aviary, close to the perches; and although the birds may not nip the buds off at once, they should not be removed on that account. In fact they seem to be preferred a day or two after gathering.

Where the Weeds Flourish.

Locality influences the relative earliness or lateness of these spring foods, and situation, exposed or otherwise, also takes a hand, therefore it will be understood that these notes refer approximately rather than precisely to the date of their advent. Chickweed and groundsel are abundant upon land which is in a state of high and frequent cultivation, such as, for instance, allotment and market garden grounds, or the home kitchen garden; but where grass is established they cannot survive. Dandelion, on the other hand, flourishes anywhere; on the country's flinty roadside, or the edge of the suburban gravel pit; in the solid clay of the brickfield, or the deep, rich loam of the garden; it can even hold up its head in the fields given over to the all-conquering grass.

Thus April introduces much desirable material with which to break the prolonged monotony of the birds' winter dietary, and the pen may now be laid aside until the claims of May demand attention.

THE MYSTERY OF "BIRD FEVER."

By W. VALE, F.Z.S. ETC., (South Norwood.)

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases, "How to Feed Canaries,' etc.

THE most serious disease of caged birds is septic fever, the so-called "bird fever" that which has most annoyed bird-keepers has been their inability to ward off attacks, or effectually to combat the disease, and this has been through a want of knowledge of its cause.

In July, 1890, I attended a conference which met at St. Saviour's Mission Hall, Euston Road, London, to discuss this disease, and to hear a paper on it read by Dr. Bradburn, of Leamington. A great number of fanciers were present from far and near, including several medical men, and the Turkish Ambassador. Dr. Bradburn said that he spoke from an experience of twenty-seven years, and said that he hoped that they would be able to solve the difficult problem presented to them.

Dr. Bradburn's Views.

He said: "I feel quite clearly on this point—that the epidemic is one of typhus and diphtheria; two distinct diseases, although about equally deadly, yet it must be remembered that it is perfectly possible to have both in the same room. Typhus fever, or 'jail fever' as it used to be termed in days happily long gone by, when it infested our overcrowded and badly ventilated gaols, is essentially a fever of those who live in houses short of light and ventilation, but, although very infectious in what may be termed dens crammed with people, it retains scarcely any of its danger in a good-sized airy house.

Before the symptoms declare themselves in human beings there will have been a period of incubation ranging from two to twelve days Then there is generally a shivering fit, with hot, dry skin, suffused condition of the eyes, thirst, great prostration, and costive bowels. As the disease advances, delirium sets in, and then we get bronchitis, pneumonia, or pleurisy, which only too frequently ends the scene, the patient dying exhausted.

"Now I feel you ought to have no difficulty in applying such symptoms to your birds. You have a Canary, we will say, in your room, which ails. You do not know what, but find it constantly sitting in listless fashion on its perch; it goes to its seed, perhaps cracks a grain or two, which it does not eat, then makes for its water, which it hardly drinks; at last picks over its grit, ruffles its feathers, and puts its head under its wing. If you watch closely you will find this operation repeated dozens of times in a day.

"I do not say you will not find some such symptoms in other bird affections, but I do say that if typhus happens to be about amongst birds, and any of yours behave as I have described, then look out, for you will not be long in seeing it. This abnormal behaviour corresponds to the period of incubation in the human subject, and after it has continued for a few days, more or less in different cases, you would find, were you to register the sufferer's temperature, an increase therein, just as there would be in ourselves under similar conditions.

"Some secondary affection of the lungs will generally cause death in a subject so fragile as a Canary, and this it is most important to bear in mind, because I am certain in the case of many deaths occurring among cage birds put down to bronchitis and the like affections, that such are not the primary cause. There is, as you must know, a very vast difference between the simple bronchitis which may have been brought about through the birds having ben exposed to a draught, and the bronchitis which supervenes on an attack of typhus fever which has already all but taken the life out of the bird by producing sheer exhaustion.

Three Golden Rules.

"What, then, are the causes of such a complaint? Briefly, overcrowding and dirt, because under such conditions adequate ventilation can never be secured. Now what is to be done to prevent this state of affairs? How are we to keep out the disease? It cannot be too strongly pointed out that it is very much easier to prevent the disease than to cure it when once it has got hold of your stock, and I would impress upon you these three golden rules: (1) Never keep more birds than you can attend to properly. (2) Keep your cages thoroughly clean, your birds well fed, and your room well ventilated, but without draughts upon the birds. (3) Always give a strange bird a week's quarantine before placing it amongst your regular stock, especially if an epidemic happens to exist in the bird world. But what if you have it, or, in other words, what is the treatment? I must admit that the treatment of individual specimens is of little avail. The main thing is to save the healthy remainder, and this you must try to do by complete isolation in healthy quarters."

Dr. Bradburn was then proceeding to describe the disinfection of cages, etc., but at this stage I had to leave to attend to my duties. Afterwards I had the opportunity of reading the remainder of the paper and the discussion which followed, but both of these left in dense obscurity the true nature of the so-called "bird fever." Had I been able to stay at the conference, the main points in the paper would have been traversed by me, but I must confess that at that time the true nature of the malady had not been fully discovered by myself, although I was then aware that typhus, or diphtheritic germs were not the cause of the malady.

(To be continued.)

IMPROVING THE "MASTER SONGSTER," THE ROLLER CANARY.

By DAVID O'BRIEN (San Francisco).

Our American friend thinks the Roller can be made more handsome in appearance without sacrificing its song.

SONG perfection seems to be the sole object of Roller breeders, without any thought about type or plumage. Reading in CAGE BIRDS about the wonders that Miss Martin has accomplished in raising her white and then a black Canary ought to make every fancier sit up and think. I have made up my mind I would try what I could do in improving the type and plumage of my Rollers without affecting the quality of song.

I selected the best pair of birds I had, a yellow cock, clear except for a dark mark from the eye (the shape of a crescent) and a mealy female with a dark head, and one black wing, short tail and with particularly small clean feet. After keeping them away from the others in a breeding cage till they got well acquainted, I let them fly in the aviary, and they remained with each other all the season. She raised eighteen young birds from eighteen eggs. These are all alive and well, and raising youngsters to-day in their turn.

This hen laid four eggs and raised all the four young, four times in succession without a hitch. I tried to prevent her from building again, but she picked up enough stuff to construct a nest, and laid two eggs and raised the young, a male and female. These turned out to be the "King pins" of the whole season's work. The male looks like a twin brother of Mr. Hutchinson's Border Fancy, seen on the frontispiece of CAGE BIRDS of November 28, 1914.

I think this hen (the mother) as near a perfect female as I can get. She is kind and gentle, and, as her season's work showed, a hard and faithful worker. Money could not buy her. I have often seen her sit on one nest of eggs and feed the youngsters of the previous nest at the same time. I thought when she commenced to moult (Sept. 1st) that it would be the end of my little treasure, as the feathers all seemed to drop off in a night, and she looked the picture of misery. All the others were fixed up in their new winter suits, while she sported nothing but her "bathing suit." In six weeks' time, however, she had a new dress equal to any of them, and was in the pink of health as well.

This season I am mating her in my room with her last young son. He is a perfect model and I am looking for great results. She is sitting on four eggs, laid March 7th to 10th. She looks the picture of happiness in a nice new enamelled cage, with her nest of charpie and her bath tub hanging on the cage for any time she wants to use it. In a cage next to her is her mate. I let him fly every evening around the room, and he sits on her cage and "talks" to her. When it is time to shut off the light, I tell him to go to bed, and he does it, quick. I trained him to get into his own cage.

I always admired the London Fancy Canary with its dark wings and black tail. My dream of a perfect Roller is black wings and tail and a black cap, the balance deep yellow. I feel I will get near it next year. I have two deep orange females in the aviary with dark wings and a small dark stripe from the eye. One of them has a brood of young ones almost out of the nest. One of them will have a dark spot on its head, with dark wings, and if it is a cock I will be on the road to success for next year.

My first nest of young birds came out of the shell on Jan. 30, with ice outside the aviary ½ inch thick, so it proves that Canaries do not want a fire to keep themselves warm when you give them plenty of room to fly and get exercise.

Correspondence.

The Heavily-marked Norwich at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—I think it only fair in the interests of exhibitors generally that the above subject should be fully discussed in your valuable paper. When (as in this case) the wording of the schedule is absolutely ignored what can show authorities expect—possibly short entries, fanciers "tired," etc. I certainly think Mr. Davis perfectly justified in his complaint, and I also have an idea that had either Mr. Allsopp or the Rev. Jolliffe been exposed to the same treatment they would have been equally as annoyed as is Mr. Davis, and possibly other exhibitors in the class. What we pay for we want; nothing more, nothing less. Did Mr. Davis get what he paid for? I think not. As regards Mr. Allsopp's letter of last week, surely a self-green is "more dark than light," and I, for one, should deem them eligible to compete if no class for greens were provided. I would point out to the Rev. Jolliffe that although he himself may think it for the good of the Fancy generally (which I fail to see) he must admit it was at the expense of the other exhibitors in the class. No, Mr. Jolliffe, you cannot make black into white without whitewashing it, and I don't think the Fancy care to see it white-washed in this way.

A Lover of Rights.

Sir,—I fully intended saying nothing further in this discussion, but more than one of your correspondents (to avoid personalities I mention no names) have expressed their gratitude for your paper in such a manner as to cast a deep suspicion on the honour and honesty of the officials of the Welsh National show. Kindly permit me to say that none values Cage Birds more than I, and this after several years of constant and eager perusal, so that my attitude is not in opposition to your very excellent journal. It touches me "on the raw" when I read—"thank Heaven we have the Press" as though the one thing to be dreaded above all others is the light of publication on the actions of the management. The insinuations against the character of gentlemen who not only give their services gratuitously, but also put their hands down deeply into their pockets is to be regretted. It would be a very bad day for the fancy were this type of gentleman to be driven out of its ranks by the unsportsmanlike and selfish attitude adopted by some of your correspondents. To read this correspondence one would think the only thing Mr. Norman said about class 29 was "The judge was caught napping," etc. A far truer appreciation of the class is found in Mr. Norman's words: "During the Saturday of the show the discussion waxed hot and strong over the exhibits in the heavily marked class. This is one that generally affords matter for discussion; some one is sure not to see eye to eye with some of the owners of the birds. The markings on birds cannot be measured with compass and rule, and these little differences are bound to arise, but then, after all, they are welcome. A good discussion without loss of temper is good for the bystanders," etc. I very sincerely hope that such an excellent show as the first Welsh National may not be snowed under as the result of this correspondence.

(Rev.) C. B. Jolliffe.

[Whilst considerable interest has been aroused by this controversy, we feel that all the various points have been so well discussed by the correspondents participating in the argument that any further letters on the matter may tend towards the superfluous. No one who knows Mr. Allsopp and his personal character would ever accuse him of acting otherwise than in what he conceives to be the public interest, and if his action in the present case has not commended itself to all the parties concerned, we feel sure that those who disagree with him will do him the justice of acknowledging that he has acted in all good faith, and that Mr. Allsopp on his part will accept criticisms directed against his action as based on a matter of principle, and not as being in any way personal.—Editor, Cage Birds.]

The Pelton Fell, etc., Amalgamation of Societies.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Stanger's letter, wherein he challenges me to point out where the success of the Amalgamation comes in, I might mention that I have attended three meetings for this very same purpose if called upon to do so, but I am very sorry to say that those in opposition to the amalgamation were conspicuous by their absence. In explanation of my reason to think that the amalgamation was a success, the first thing I should like to point out is this before being amalgamated neither society ever paid more than 6s. per class, and that for a subscription of 5s., a sixpenny entry fee, and a schedule of only about 29 classes. Under amalgamation members have received 5s. per class for half the subscription, viz., 2s. 6d., and besides having a schedule half as big again. Forty-five classes at 5s. a class is more prize-money than has ever been paid before, independent of only paying half subscription. Compare this with any open show prize-money, and 7s. 6d. for 1s. 6d. entry fee (and you must have eight entries in class before you can receive this), whereas our full money is paid on four entries. The next thing in favour of amalgamation is that it has a tendency to double the membership of each society which, working on average, enables us to have a bigger show than formerly. Now there will be a meeting held at Chester-le-Street on April 10, when I hope Mr. Stanger will try and induce these old members to attend and let us hear their arguments against amalgamation, as it is usually by argument we get enlightenment.

R. Ward.

The Fertilisation of Eggs.

Sir,—Re the discussion on "The Fertilization of Eggs," now proceeding in Cage Birds, I am writing to tell you of a little experience I have had this season. I had several Yorkshire hens in a large flight by themselves, getting them into condition for breeding. One morning I noticed a hen crouching in the corner of the cage, and on being disturbed she flew up on to a perch and laid an egg, which was broken in falling. I immediately took her out and put her into a breeding cage with a young cock, and they mated up at once. She laid four more eggs and has hatched three young, one egg being clear. One youngster was very small and died when a day old, but the other two are going on first rate, and are now just getting their feathers. This seems to have been quick work considering I am led to believe by the correspondence that the eggs are all fertilized at once, and before the hen has laid at all. Wishing your splendid paper, Cage Birds every success.

E. L. Davitt.

A Splendid Suggestion.

Who Will Help Soldier Fanciers to Re-start in the Hobby?

Sir,—As everybody knows, many of our fancier friends have given up their hobby to serve their King and their country, and I believe that the proposal I am about to make will meet with a ready response from the Fancy as a whole. If those fanciers who cannot be with them, sharing their dangers and hardships, would put aside out of their next season's breeding one or two pairs of birds, it would restart many brave men in their hobby free of expense on their return, and I feel sure it would also be the means of bringing a little joy and pleasure to many of our friends broken in the wars. I personally will be quite willing to put aside three pairs of Norwich of a value of not less than £1 per pair, for this purpose. I feel confident the Editor would not mind keeping a list of those willing to help, and to him our warrior fanciers could send their applications.

J. Silver.

Earls Court, S.W.

[Our correspondent's proposal seems to us a splendidly worthy one, and we have no doubt it will be generously and widely supported by bird-breeders. We shall be very happy to keep a list of promises of pairs of birds (or breeding cages, too), and to do our best when the time comes to see that they are distributed to really deserving applicants—i.e., fanciers who have lost their birds owing to active participation in the great war.—Editor, Cage Birds.]

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Suggested Fanciers' Social Club for Manchester.

Sir,—A meeting was held on March 27, Manchester Homing Club, 32, Victoria St., a good muster turning up, and it was decided to form a social club, to be called the Manchester Central Fanciers' Social Club. Mr. Fulcher took the chair, and things went on in a business-like way. Next meeting will be held April 17, at 8 prompt, to elect officers, draw up rules, etc. We also want to fix up a ramble and smoking-concert at early dates. Now fanciers, rally round, everyone welcome, no cliques, etc. As the subscription is a nominal one, fanciers can only blame themselves if they do not avail themselves of this opportunity.

R. J. Metcalfe, Sec. pro tem.

Sir,—At last we have someone who has ventured on this social club business. I have heard whispers of this for some time now, and am really glad the thing has come to life, and let us hope to live. I attended the meeting called by Mr. Fulcher, and after looking round the room I thought to myself, what a fine lot of lads; this looks as if something was going to be done at this meeting. One thing that pleased me was that the election of officers was left over until next meeting, then if we all do as Mr. Turner suggested (take another member each) we ought to have some choice. I have been a member of several clubs, and have noticed every now and again we have suggested concerts, rambles, etc. Sometimes they have come off, pretty often not. When they have come off, they have generally been very nice, only you have so long to wait for another. I understand this club is going to make a special line of these things, so now let us all help to make it a success. Come and be made members, you'll get a right "welcome."

H. Lewis.

The Illness of Mr. Easterling.

Sir,—I also have seen Mr. Easterling, and I am sure all fanciers will be sorry to hear of his long and severe illness, and will hope with me that his little business can be kept together until he is able to attend to it again. I think we all ought to try and help a brother fancier in this all trying time and get up a subscription for one who has always been one of the first to help a brother fancier or the fancy in general. I ask you, sir, to take this matter in hand, as I am sure a little help will be very needful for him. I shall be pleased to start such a deserving case with 10s. 6d., and Mr. Lathbury, 17, Wandsworth Bridge Road, has given me permission to say he will give 7s. 6d. Now brother fanciers join in.

William Nichols.

Fulham.

The Future of the Roller Canary in the United Kingdom.

Sir,—The decision arrived at and announced in your last issue to exclude all German terms in the naming of Roller Canaries is, I feel sure, a step in the right direction, which will redound to the credit and good standing of the Roller. It is indeed a step that has been greatly needed for a long time, as the multitude of utterly meaningless names which have been tacked on to this variety in the last few years of its growing popularity cannot be said to have always been elevating or encouraging to the novice who has been too often misled by them into thinking some fantastic and concocted term attached to the word Roller indicated some superior qualities of song. The simple term "Roller" is sufficient for every purpose, and is so descriptive of the full rolling tours of song required of the bird as to be fully understood and appreciated by everyone, expert and tyro alike. That being so, there is no necessity at all to go further for a descriptive name. Call it the Roller, and let that simple and easily understood word suffice. Then, to convey a definite and generally understood estimate of the birds' singing qualities, a standard might be agreed upon to classify the song for purposes of trade, in much the same way as the Continental wholesale houses supply them to the trade as Singers, Class I., Class II., or Class III. as the case may be. This method at least has the merit of being straightforward and business-like, so that even the novice may know what value in song he is likely to get for his money. It is only in the case of private sales of select exhibition songsters that the name of the originator of the strain, if British, and the birds bred from stock obtained direct, that any additional name should be deemed necessary, and it would be better if this could be dispensed with.

Claude St. John.

When Judges Disagree.

Sir,—Several fanciers, knowing I have been a breeder of Hybrids for over thirty years, have asked me my opinion of "White Rose." I have seen this bird a few times, and I have no hesitation in saying that I believe it to be what its owner says it is, viz., a Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid, and from my experience I should say it is not possible to get a variegated Hybrid from two British birds.

William Nichols.

Sir,—I do not wish to try and answer Patrick's questions, that is not my object in writing, and I still maintain what I have already stated—"White Rose" and its owner have not been treated in a fair or sportsmanlike manner. For Patrick's enlightenment, I will just mention, without giving way to sarcasm, that I have seen "White Rose," that I am an old reader of Cage Birds, and have read every line of correspondence relating to this bird, and that Mr. Blake and Mr. Parlett are absolute strangers to me. I like fair play, and when a bird comes out on top I like to give the owner credit. Anyone who reads these columns cannot but be struck with the cantankerous disposition of many correspondents, which does far more harm than good to the Fancy.

W. Hainsworth.

Proposed Blue Cross Show.

Sir,—In connection with the Blue Cross Show to be held at Wadebridge on July 14, it is proposed to hold an open show of cage birds, the whole of the profits to be given to the Blue Cross Society. Pecuniary aid is needed, and the object of this letter is to invite fanciers of cage birds who are interested in the object either to write to me or to Mr. Cave, of Gwendrock, Wadebridge, stating what help they are willing to render, either in guarantecing classes or in a pool guarantee for general expenses, which will be kept as low as possible. Although we are a good way west, there is a good train service to Wadebridge, by two railways, and we have one of the best lighted and most comfortable halls in the country. I also invite the co-operation of specialist clubs, as well as individual fanciers, for if we all pull together we ought to be able to raise a useful sum for the sake of the horses. Cage bird fanciers, by helping the Blue Cross Society to carry on their good work will also be helping the fancy, and thereby themselves. We are running this show not for any benefit that will accrue to ourselves, but entirely in the interests of the horses, and in an endeavour to keep the fancy flag flying, and it is imperative that we should endeavour to get all classes guaranteed.

E. Mitchell, Hon. Sec.

Voluntary Enlistment.

An Appeal for More Recruits.

Sir,—The War Office has approved of a recruiting scheme which can be effectively carried out if taken up and supported by the whole Press. I have been authorised to act as the instrument for enlisting the co-operation of every daily and weekly journal in the United Kingdom to publish forthwith the Registration Form at the foot of this letter, and to agree to the following procedure in connection therewith:—

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Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.**—(A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)
Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.
Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)
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Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.
Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.)
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Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.
Nov. 13.—**Barnsley C.B.S.**—(E. Toulson, 102, Cope St.)
Nov. 19-20.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., H.W.B.
Nov. 19-20.—**Haltwhistle C.B.S.**—(Wm. Tallantyre, South View.)
Dec. 1-2.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingham.) J.R., J.H.R.
Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 7, Mordaunt Rd., The Avenue, Southampton.)
Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N., A.S., H.J.W.
Dec. 10-11.—**Gateshead C.B.S.**—(W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle).

Scotland.

Nov. 20.—**Cowdenbeath C.B.S.**—(F. Baxter, 128, Union St.).

BLAENAVON C.B.S.

Well-attended meeting Crown Hotel, April 1. Some very important business was discussed. F.F. show was fixed for June 26. Several members offered specials. Will all members try and attend next meeting as we intend running our first open show.—G. T. Jones.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Owing to the small turn-out of members we did not pick our judges, but decided to have a special meeting, April 12, at 7.30, in Co-op. Library, for said purpose. Decided to send a letter of sympathy to the widow and family of the late C. Dobson, the well-known Crest fancier. New member proposed, Mr. Henderson, Whitley Bay. Decided to advertise in "Cage Birds" to the extent of 25/-.—Geo. Havver, Hon. Sec.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Meeting, Spencer Hall, Mar. 29, Mr. P. Johnston chair. Mr. J. Robson gave a lecture on Canary breeding, which was highly instructive and interesting to the good muster present. Mr. Robson answered several questions asked by the members, who no doubt went home with the intention of putting into practice many of the useful hints brought forward by the lecturer. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Robson.—J. Hyde.

STANLEY (Victoria) F. & F.S.

Meeting, Mar. 28, J. Armitage presiding, when we got through a lot of business. Following nominated for judges: W. Reid, Sunderland; J. Dixon, Bedlington; R. Bewicke, Newfield; A. Brown, Gateshead; A Hay, Tweedmouth. We had a good turn-up of members, there being a fresh face or two, but we can still do with a better turn-up, so don't forget next meeting, April 25.—R. Hutchinson, Sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, headquarters, Mail Coach Inn, Mr. Brotherton chair. Business was very soon over owing to a table show and judging competition, which was first judged by Mr. Webster, of Rotherham, whose decision was final. Members did not come up as was expected, this being a new thing to us. I hope it was not the judging that kept them away, as there were not many birds to judge, and it was real enjoyment to see the mistakes that were made. Decided that Mr. Warrender (Hoyland) should judge our first N.F show, and Mr. F. Gregory (Sheffield) the second show. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. Warrender upon the loss of his wife. The best thanks of the meeting were given to Mr. Webster, and brought a pleasant evening to a close.—J. E. Taylor.

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NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

General meeting, April 1, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market. Mr. Tindale chair. P.C. read from Mr. Holden, saying he was unable to be present to give his paper on Norwich. Mr. G. A. Key elected a member. Show fixed for July 3, judges and classes to be decided at May 6, meeting. Members please note: Subs. are now due; up to the present I have not been kept very busy making out receipts; I shall be pleased to receive subs. any time.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

NEWCASTLE EAST END C.B.S.

Meeting, Mar. 3, at Hall's Cafe, Heaton Road, Mr. McParthing presiding over a good attendance. Mr. J. Tate (Gateshead) elected a member. Correspondence was read from judges nominated as to their terms. Notice of motion was given to rescind rule referring to judges' radius (members please note), the selection being left over till next meeting. Discussion followed re the revision of rules, and it was finally decided that they stand as last year. Vote of thanks to the Chairman brought the meeting to a close.—J. W. Coutts.

CITY & COUNTY OF PERTH C.B.S.

Meeting, Laidlaw Rooms, Leonard Street, Mar. 29, Mr. D. Brown (Pres.) chair. New members enrolled: Messrs. J. Styles, R. Wood, M. Stewart. The following cups were drawn for each section: Nor., McGregor; Crest or C.B., Miller; Scotch Fancy, Burnfield; Border, Munro; Yorks,, Cairncross; Brit., Dalgliesh; Mules, Hyb. and For., Dow. Decided after amendments, that all cups be won for three years, not necessarily in succession, and only at annual club show. The society to put on the inscription. Meeting closed with vote of thanks to Chairman.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

WALKLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Mar. 11, Mr. T. Ridal presiding. A good muster present. Sec. read the balance sheet and gave a report of year's workings. Balance sheet (showing a balance of £2), was adopted and Sec. congratulated on it. The Society is strong, £12 in cash and 5 cups bringing it up to £20. Auditor's report was adopted. After business an Egg Food Competition took place, and keen it was; samples were fine. Judging was done by ballot, each members voting. Result: 1, Ridal; 2, Chadock; 3, Tomlinson. Two new members were made; next meeting Apr. 11. Lecture, "Seeds and their Uses for Canaries," by the Sec.—C. Tomlinson, Sec.

EDINBURGH O.S.

Meeting, Buchanan's Hotel, High-st., April 3. Mr. William Allan presided over a good turnout. The President gave account of conference with Western Society officials, which was a benefit to both societies, but as yet we have no written communication from them. Agreed to limit the specials to be won by members, no member being allowed to win more than four specials at Club Show, cup and joint special not included in above. Mr. R. Stewart was admitted a member. Booking of hens and election of judges was then proceeded with. Next meeting September. Intending new members apply to Mr. W. Allan, 16, Lauriston, or Sec., 35, Easter-rd., before end of May.—A. Weston, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting, Mar. 31, headquarters, Mr. Hellman chair, and a very poor attendance. It is strange why this should be, as some of our members have promised to give lectures to keep things going until our next show. I have noticed that after the show some members do not attend any meeting until just before the next show, when they come and want their share of prizes that we, who do attend, have worked hard to collect. Also they generally have the most to say about the way specials shall go. At next meeting, April 14, we shall decide what to do with such members. Will members please note that subs. are overdue; also bring all unsold admission tickets. Decided to hold N.F. show, July 8. Members please attend next meeting.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN YORKSHIRE C.C.

Annual meeting, Mar. 24, Mr. Crawhall presided. New members elected: H. Oxley (Bishopfield), G. A. Key (Benwell), J. Leach (Newcastle), J. Stark (Consett). Sec. presented the balance-sheet, showing a balance in hand of £6 16s. 3d., which was considered highly satisfactory. Officials elected for year: Pres., T. C. Crawhall; Vice-Pres., G. S. Ellwood, Dr. Duncan O'Neal, J. Shepherd, T. E. Pyman, T. B. Tomlinson, J. Curry, G. W. Cuthberson; Chair, C. Cattell; Vice, F. Johnson; Committee, Messrs. R. Butler, J. Stewart, M. Wigglesworth; G. Tweedie, T. Hedley, F. Mirley, F. Crossling, E. Deighton, J. Leach; Auditor, W. Mather; Hon. Sec. and Treas., R. Tindale. A member who wishes to remain anonymous kindly offered a silver cup for most points with unflighted birds bred by exhibitor over table shows, two highest birds in each class by each member to count. Dates for N.F. table shows fixed for June 16, July 14, Aug. 11. Mr. T. B. Tomlinson to judge the first show.—R. Tindale, Hon. Sec.

PENICUIK O.S.

Meeting, Parish Church Hall, April 3. Mr. R. Monteith presided over a poor attendance. Office-bearers elected: Pres., Mr. R. Monteith; Vice-Pres., Pte. George Greig; Sec. and Treas., J. Weir, Hamilton Place, Penicuik. Agreed to hold annual show, Nov. 20. Election of judges and revised classification to be made at the next meeting, May 1st. Intending members please notify Sec. so that classification may be made to suit all. The radius for membership is ten miles, and annual subscription 1s. 6d. Pte. Greig, 8th Royal Scots (who has been in France during the winter campaign and is home recovering from a slight strain) was present, and related some interesting experiences of his visit to a French bird fancier who breeds with some eight or ten hens in one big cage, and is no believer in egg food for rearing the young, simply depending on some crushed corn. Pte. Greig told also of the different species of wild birds which were flying about and which didn't seem to mind the roar of the big guns.—Jas. Weir, Hon. Sec.

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PELTON FELL & DIST. C.B.S.

Special meeting, Mar. 27, to see if we could draw fanciers together again, but I think there was a misunderstanding, for only five turned up: Mr. Robinson (Sec.), Mr. Stanger, Mr. McDonald (Pelton), Mr. Davison and Mr. Ward (Chester-le-Street). There was no meeting. I think fanciers are going the right way to let 3 societies fall through. I think the Pelton Fell and Chester-le-Street will go on as two old fanciers laid their heads together and determined to carry these old shows on. The amalgamation has ruined these 3 societies, and the ring business I think has caused a lot of ill-feeling among the members. I think 18 shows too many in one season in one society. I have been a keen shower and like to win, and I have done my share. The best thing for fanciers who want to be members of these societies is to send a postcard to the secretary. I hope all the old fanciers will keep the societies going.—J. Stanger.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, April 1, Mr. Jones presiding. The egg-food competition provided a good time and some merriment, as jovial remarks were passed as each competitor was going through the ordeal. Osborne biscuits seemed to take the lead, but two or three members used bread, and the utensils varied from mills, sieves, graters, knives, forks and spoons. Eight members competed, and Mr. White was adjudged the winner. He used biscuits made from one of the recipes which appeared in CAGE BIRDS some time ago, and it is evident that some of the members intend to try it. His time was 3½ minutes, but this was owing to a faulty mill, which was for use generally, and several members said what ought to be done with it. Messrs. Hobson, Sisson, and Hemmings were the other winners. Messrs. Drabble and Furness judged. Mr. H. W. Battye is booked for the May meeting for a lecture, and every member ought to be present. Friends are cordially invited. Meeting commences at 7.30 to enable Mr. Battye to catch his train.—E. Sisson, Assist. Sec.

COLINTON & CURRIE PARISHES.

Meeting, Village Hall, Juniper Green, April 3, President, Mr. Michie, in the chair. Classification for annual show, Nov. 6, was gone into, and it was decided to drop the two classes for Crest and C.B., and to introduce a class for A.O.V. Canary; also to make the class for British into two classes, the first for Goldf., Bullf., Greenf., and Siskin, and the other for A.O. British bird. Also decided to make a class for juveniles under 16 years of age, open to the parishes of Colinton and Currie, for any variety of cage bird, entry fee for this class, 2d. per cage. Mr. Michie is giving a silver medal, and Mr. Palmer another special for this class, which we hope will be a great success, and we hope by this means to make members for our society in years to come. Well-known fanciers were proposed as judges, and Secretary instructed to write them in turn. Five of our members have joined the Army, and it was decided to retain them as members free of all subscriptions, and it was hoped that they would all be back safe before the show season came round. After a vote of thanks to the chairman the members present booked their hens.—J. Napier, Sec.

GLASGOW & WEST COUNTIES.

Meeting and show of Goldfinches and Linnets, Good Templars Hall. President, Mr. P. Pettigrew, presided over a goodly turn out. The Society's rules show but little variation. An amendment to rule 15, that no applicant belong to more than one Norwich Canary Club in or within three miles of Glasgow, was defeated by an overwhelming majority, so the rule still stands. Decided to rambles to Bridge of Weir, date to be fixed at May meeting. New members made: Messrs. T. Trotter, P. Mallon. The following classification was considered adequate for show, to be held May 1: Greenf., Siskin, Lesser Redpoll, Twite, Mealy Redpoll. Specials for show and judging competition were generously given by Messrs. Dick, Liddell, Findlay, Hamilton, Pettigrew, and Adam, who were cordially thanked. The judging competition of F.M. Linnets proved interesting, with a close result; winners: 1, Livingstone; 2, Findlay; 3, Jamieson. Mr. J. Downie, Bridgeton, judged F.M. Linnets, and J. Dick, Kirkintilloch, judged Goldfinches and H.M. Linnets; the awards met with general approval. Goldf. (10): 1, sp, Pettigrew; 2, Mallon; 3, Trotter; 4, McGowan; 5, Fitzpatrick; 6, Adam; 7, Jamieson. Linnet, F.M. (21): 1, 3, sp, 4, Livingstone; 2, Mallon; 5, Pettigrew; 6, Findlay; 7, Jamieson. A grand class, not a bad one amongst them. Linnet, H.M.: 1, Trotter; 2, 3, sp, Cochrane; 4, Pettigrew; 5 sp, Bannerman; 6, Fitzpatrick; 7, Adam.

AYRSHIRE SCOTCH FANCY C.C.

Meeting, George Hotel, Kilmarnock, Mar. 27. Ex-Bailie Robertson ably presided over a strongly representative meeting. The meeting was completely in harmony, and reflected much credit on the Bailie for the methodical means he had employed in bringing so many as twenty members together. Officers elected: Pres., Wm. Robertson; Vice-Pres., G. Deans; Committee, Messrs. A. Bowie, A. Campbell, R. McDowall, R. Ralston, C. McLean and J. Hainey; Sec. and Treas., H. M. Ferguson. Annual snb. was fixed at 2/6. Meetings to be held in the Ossington Coffee House, Kilmarnock, Saturday evenings, at 6; next meeting, April 24. The Annual Open Show will be held 2nd Sat. of Nov., in Kilmarnock; special Scotch Fancy judges will be chosen. Cups will be presented for competition. The President has already generously offered to give a cup, and there is a possibility of the Club acquiring other two cups for competition. Should the club exhibit in the same hall with another club it will be done only as a matter of convenience, for the show will be on its own financial footing, and will be known as the Ayrshire Scotch Fancy Club Show. Classes will be arranged at next meeting. Old birds may be added by any exhibitors. The Secretary of the Kilmarnock C.B.S., who was present, was inclined to favour a connection with the Ayrshire Scotch Fancy Club, and will submit the finding of this meeting in regard to show-room co-operation to the members of his Society when they meet on Apr. 14. Mr. Bowie will hand over his books to the newly appointed Secretary at next meeting, Apr. 24. Ex Bailie Robertson, Pres., gave a short address on the objects of the Club, mentioning particularly that he would like to see the Scotch Fancy Canary in the hands of more fanciers, and expressed his conviction that this could be done by each member of the Club striving to provide purchasers with decent birds at a reasonable price. Mr. G. Deans, Vice-Pres., warmly thanked the President for his most painstaking exertions in reinvestitating the Club, which he felt sure was going to be a great success. The members of the Club, besides the officers as above, are: Messrs. E. Ralston, W. Murdoch, R. Findlay, D. Holden, J. Allan, R Pearson, A. Reid, J. Lyon, W. Burges, M'Lure and A. Borland.—H. M. Ferguson, Sec. and Treas.

QUEEN'S PARK (Glasgow) C.B.S

Meeting, Marie Stuart Hall, Crosshill, Mar. 27. Mr. R. Heggie chair, and a good attendance. Sec., Mr. Holloday, through illness, not being present, the duties were taken over by Assist. Sec., Mr. A. K. Hunter. One new member was admitted. Decided to retain members' names on roll who are serving with the Imperial Forces. Mr. Heggie promised to give a gold medal for the best young bird bred, reared and moulted by exhibitor at next annual show; a sample of the medal was shown and was much admired. Table show of Brit. was judged by Mr. R. Jeffrey, and his awards gave every satisfaction. Quality was excellent, especially in Goldf. and Bullf. Lesser Redpoll: 1, 2, A. Steel; 3, Knox; 4, Connelly. Linnet: 1, A. Steel; 2, McGavin; 3, Knox. Bullf. Hen: 1, McGavin; 2, A. Steel; 3, Knox; 4, McClymont. Ck.: 1, McGavin; 2, 3, spl, 4, spl, McClymont; 5 McAvory. Greenf.: 1, McGavin; 2, spl, A. Steel; 3 Knox; 4, Connelly; 5, McAvory. Goldf.: 1, spl, A. Steel, a regular beauty; 2, J. R. Steel; 3, 4, Connelly. Specials for most points: 1, A. Steel, 27; 2, McGavin, 19. Mr. A. Maxwell (Partick) gave a lecture on Norwich Canary management. The way Mr. Maxwell tackled his subject and the information which he gave to the novice in particular on selection, mating, pairing up, and general management throughout the breeding season, should, if followed out carefully, result in a bumper of young birds at next annual show. A number of questions were asked, and the masterful answers left the members in no doubt as to the lecturer's knowledge of the subject, and of his desire to further its interest. A vote of thanks to the judge and lecturer brought a pleasant evening to a close. Next meeting, April 28.—A. K. Hunter, Assist. Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

LEEDS.

Quality singing contest, Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Mar. 28. 1, Laycock; 2, Appleyard; 3, shared Binns and King. Judges, Messrs. Clayton and Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

BLACKBURN.

Open Linnet contest for quality, April 3. 27 birds competed for 6 prizes. The singing was very good: 1, 5, Topping; 2, 3, Pickering; 4, Rigby; 6, Jones. Next contest, members only, club house, April 24, at 2.—G. Hayhurst, Sec.

CARNFORTH.

Saturday, Linnet singing: 1, Armstrong; 2, Old Joe; 3, Sample. Judge, Fairless; timekeeper, McCabe.—T. Armstrong Sec.—Linnet singing, Tinford Inn, Easter Monday, 45 birds entered. Fairless judged and gave satisfaction; timekeeper, Stubbs. 1, 2, 3, Walker; 4, Grame.—M. Moses, Sec.

WIGAN.

Wigan Linnet Club singing contest, Apl. 3, Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley; 26 birds were staged and some good prizes were sung for. Time: 1, Varney, 138 secs.; 2, J. Glover, 98; 3, Knowles, 83. Quality: 1, A. Leyland; 2, Ashcroft; 3, Walsh. Timers, B. Hepplestone and R. Leyland; judges, A. Parker and Ashcroft.—A. Leyland, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Mar. 27; 25 birds entered for 3 prizes. 1, Cooper; 2, Collinson; 3, Perkin, who thoroughly deserves to win, he has hung birds nearly every week for the past 3 years and has not been very fortunate. Now he has made a start, we trust he will keep among the prize winners. J. Cooper's birds sang the largest score of the season, also largest break.—R. Plows, Sec.

Members' sing, April 3, 38 birds entered for 7 prizes: 1, J. Cooper; 2, 4, Wallis; 3, Collinson; 5, 6, shared Liversedge and Perkin; 7, A. Cooper. Mr. Woodhead, of Leeds, gave 1 stone of Linnet seed, which was made into four prizes, and the following won: Liversedge, Perkin, A. Cooper, Wallis. A good company was present. Timekeepers, O. Potter, J. Wallis. Tappers, W. Perkin, A. Cooper.—R. Plows, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Commercial Hotel open sing, Easter Saturday. The singing was the best this season. Timed by Mr. Shepherd; A. Warcing, chalker. 1, Cawthorne, 4min. 30sec.; 2, Jones, 4min. 20sec.; 3 and 4 dead heat. Coler and Thackra, 3min. 42sec. April 4, another record broken by Mr. Jones' bird. It will take some beating for 5min. singing, as it did the marvellous time of 4min. 56sec. 1, Jones, 4min. 56sec.; 2, Cawthorne, 4min. 18sec.; 3, Coles, 2min. 55sec.—Hardman, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Open Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Mar. 27. 26 birds entered for three prizes, 4min. time singing. 1, Piper, 124; 2, Pugh, 101; 3, shared, Piper, Wingham, 97. Open sing, Mar. 28, 31 entered for three prizes three minutes' time singing: 1, Beard, 108; 2, Piper, 78; 3, shared Piper, Nelson, 58. Club sing, April 3, 26 entered for three prizes, 4min. time singing: 1, Nelson, 142; 2, 3, Pugh, 121, 107. Open sing, April 4, 40 entered for four prizes, 3min. time singing: 1, 4, Nelson, 99, 41; 2, Bull; 3, Wingham. Biggest breaks this week are:—Nelson 47, Pugh 41.—S. Pugh, Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

B. STEEL and F. J. O.—Replied to by post.

AGE FOR BREEDING (S. B. W.).—Yes, you can breed with the Yorkshire cock that is six years old with a very fair chance of success, providing he is in a sound condition of health and active. Many cocks breed well at a greater age than this.

PICKS HIS FEATHERS (B. N. C.).—You should thoroughly examine the cage, not the bird, to see if there is any trace of red mites. This pest does not live upon the bird regularly, and if you only examine the bird it may easily escape observation, even when it is very troublesome to the bird. If no trace of mites are found when properly searched for, see that the bird is kept in a fairly equable temperature, free from cold draughts, though it need not be above the normal temperature now. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts, by measure, of canary seed to one part summer rape. In addition to this, give a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut slightly dusted with flour of sulphur and finally sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groat. Give a fairly liberal supply of green food daily—dandelion for preference. In the drinking water every second day for a week add twenty drops of fluid magnesia and ten of lemon juice, and every second day for another week after this give instead six drops each of tincture of gentian and dilute sulphuric acid.

DIET AND MITE KILLER (R. J. H.).—(1) The proper dietary for a pet singing Yorkshire is the same as for any other ordinary variety of Canary. A plain wholesome diet is far the best for the bird. A staple of plain canary seed only, or at most a mixture of three parts canary, by measure, to one part summer rape. Besides this, make a mixture of two parts each of hemp, niger, and millet; one part each of teazle, black rape or cole, and broken groats; a half part each of maw and gold of pleasure, and a quarter part each of linseed and mustard seed. Give a small teaspoonful of this mixture separately twice a week. Once or twice a week give half a teaspoonful of egg food or crushed sponge cake, and a spray of green food daily, varying the latter according to the season. A morsel of any sweet fruit may be given as a variety instead of green food now and again. You will find full details of suitable variations in the Nutshell Booklet No. 5, which our manager will send you for 2½d., post free. (2) Fir tree oil, which you can buy in small bottles at almost any fanciers' provider's, is an excellent insecticide for the destruction of red mites. Essence of quassia, also on the market, is another. Use as directed on bottles. A solution of camphor in paraffin or methylated spirit—half an ounce to a gill—is also excellent. Insect powders are quite useless for this purpose.

EGG BINDING (E. B. Walt).—(1) The hen is probably in a weakly condition, and you ought to have said how you feed her and where you keep her. To try and prevent a recurrence of it when she is again going to nest, give, in addition to the usual seed diet, half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet and mixed every second day, and when she begins to nest add twenty drops of gin and ten of glycerine to the drinking water about every third day and mix a little crushed old mortar in the sand on the floor of the cage. (2) It is not at all unusual for a hen to drop an egg casually from the perch at this season without showing any urgent signs of nesting. If not mated, you should mate the hen with a healthy vigorous young cock that is keen on nesting, which will usually result in bringing the hen into full normal breeding condition. (3) The only rational way of preventing egg binding in either cold or warm room is to aim at getting the birds into a good hard condition during the winter months. The trouble does not often occur in really strong and healthy hens that are in good breeding condition. You may treat them the same as advised for No. 1, until they have gone to nest with their first broods. But the best thing you could do would be to get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," post free for 7d., from our manager, and see if you are treating your stock correctly in a general way.

SQUEAKY YORKSHIRE (A. M. F., Novice).—I cannot advise you to attempt to carry out the proper treatment for a wheezy Yorkshire cock whilst it is engaged with the hen in helping to feed a brood of young only a few days old. You cannot treat it properly under such conditions. Your best course is to wait until the brood is reared and then separate the cock and treat him in a cage alone, in the way so often advised in this column—for instance, to "Joey" in our issue of March 27.

A MIXED COLLECTION (A New Start).—In the first place I cannot advise you to go in for a mixed collection of Canaries, Budgerigars, and Cockateels in the same house, if, as I take it, you intend them to fly at liberty, especially as you wish the Canaries to breed. Sooner or later disaster would be almost certain to befall the Canaries—broken legs, etc., from the unwelcome attentions of the Budgerigars, and also probably the Cockateels. The best advice I can give you is to limit yourself to Canaries. If you do this you can keep for breeding flying loose about the house and flight five cocks and fifteen hens, which will be sufficient to stock it for breeding, though if you did not wish them to breed particularly you could keep at least 60 to 65 birds in it. Any hardy variety of Canary would do well in the place, provided they were bred and kept under fairly normal conditions before being placed in the house. Rollers, of the ordinary type, Norwich, and Yorkshires are all suitable. There is no best breed of Roller for singing. It is a matter of strain and training. Such birds as indicated would do well in the place all the year round. You could take advantage of any mild spell of weather now to turn the birds into the place.

DROPPED WINGS (Needy One).—It really looks as though this bird was about dropping into moult, in which case it will be quite useless to mate him until it is quite over this trouble. See that it is not exposed to any sudden extremes of heat and cold, nor to cold draughts. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of the seed mixture advised to "R. J. H. (1)" in this issue, and on the alternate days a small teaspoonful of egg-food. Each day give a young growing dandelion stool. In drinking water for three consecutive days add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and after this give every second day for a fortnight instead five drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid. If bird is not quite well in that time, please write again, and say whether it has been dropping feathers in the meantime, when I will advise you further.

DROPPING FEATHERS (Juxtaposition).—The dropping of feathers is not due to the introduction of lamp into the dietary, but to the birds being caged in the window recess. Now you have removed them to a more suitable place, treat them the same as advised to "Needy One" in this issue, but give the rhubarb aperient for one day only, and instead of the egg food give the same quantity of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and four of sherry well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. Continue the treatment for about a fortnight after the feathers have ceased dropping. Do not attempt to mate the birds for breeding until a fortnight or so after the moulting is quite stopped.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

HOUSE-MOULTED LINNET (S. B. W.)—You should have no trouble to breed with your house-moulted Linnet. As a rule, Linnets are fairly easy birds to breed Hybrids with, even when they are recently caged. He should now be getting into stout song and could be run with the hen as soon as she is ready. Give him a spoonful of wild seed mixture three times a week, and a little lightly cracked hemp seed. When he is in stout song and his beak a dark blue-grey, he is ready for pairing. A leaf or two of dandelion is particularly good for them just now. Queries on different subjects should be written on separate sheets of paper.

TWITE OR LINNET? (Perplexed).—The Twite is somewhat smaller than the Linnet, generally richer colour, and more lavishly pencilled. His head is smaller and yellow in colour. He will pair with a hen Canary and the produce is quite an interesting bird. If he is in full song and the Canary is healthy and active, flapping her wings, and flying from perch to perch, you could put them together at once, supplying a nestpan or box, and plenty of moss and hair to build with. As the hen lays, take the eggs away, substituting the hen lays, take the eggs away, substituting the dummy eggs in place of them until she has laid three, when return them all in the evening and do not interfere with her any more. On the thirteenth day after she has sat supply a little egg and biscuit for her to feed the young with. As a rule, the Twite does not interfere with the eggs, but it is as well to keep an eye on him, and if at all troublesome shut him off by himself. You should obtain one of our books on Hybrid breeding.

TROUBLE WITH JACKDAW (Tom Tit).—You are feeding your Jackdaw in some way that is causing the trouble, but as you do not tell me the food you are giving him, I am unable to point out your error. You had better give him an aperient of as much Glauber Salts as will cover a shilling, dissolved in three tablespoonsful of water. Give it for one day, then miss a couple of days, and give again. Feed as follows: Procure some good chicken meat and mix with it a spoonful of meat meal. Soak it all in just enough hot water or gravy to make it crumbly moist. You may vary this by giving Melox treated in the same way. Let him have scraps from the table, just a little minced meat, vegetables, suet pudding, and fruit, and any insects or grubs you can procure. Give him the bath frequently. (2) Bullfinches are not reliable breeders. When in captivity they do not often reproduce when together; but the hen is used a good deal in Hybrid breeding and seldom fails to lay. The Goldfinch and hen Canary is a fairly common cross, and even if you have had no experience you could possibly manage them. Get one of our books on Hybrid breeding; it will give you all the information on the subject you require. (3) Several of the small Foreign Finches will breed in captivity, but for full information you should write this query on a separate piece of paper for our Foreign Bird Expert.

BRITISH BIRDS FOR SONG (C. Maskell).—I take it from your letter that you are anxious to keep British birds that are good singers; but you do not say if you would be content to keep those species that eat seed, or if you would go to the trouble and expense of looking after what are known as Softbills. The former would include the Finches and Buntings. Of these, the Linnet and the Goldfinch are the most popular, but all of them sing to a certain extent, and the Yellow and the Reed Bunting are quite persistent vocalists. Of the Softbills the Skylark will give you the most song, but in captivity the Thrush runs him close, and the Blackbird is a good performer. Other good singers are the Nightingale, Blackcap, Whitethroat, Woodlark, etc., but all these require special treatment that a novice could hardly give to ensure success. They could all be kept in a spare room in the house without heat. I would advise you to procure the British Bird Manual published in two parts, Hardbill and Softbill (1/2 each post free), from this office. You will find full information upon the treatment of each species. (3) It is against our rules to recommend any particular dealer. (4) Rules of deposit system are published from time to time. You will find them in the issue for March 20th.

BREEDING GREENFINCH-CANARY (P. G.).—This is about the easiest of all crosses between a British bird and Canary. You require a fairly tame Greenfinch and a vigorous hen Canary. Feed them on canary and a little rape, mixed seeds, twice a week, and a little egg food; also sunflower seed for the Finch. When the Greenie is in full song and the hen calling and flying from perch to perch, put them together, giving a nestpan and plenty of nesting materials. If the Finch behaves himself while the hen is sitting, he could be left with her. You must supply egg food, a little hemp and green food, for them to rear the young with. They make fairly good singers if trained under a good Canary.

BREEDING WITH HEN BULLFINCH (J.W.)—If your Greenie is quite out of condition (although I rather doubt it, because he would then scarcely trouble to feed the hen) you had better put in the Canary. You can easily run him out for an hour or so to pair with the Canary hen when she is ready to nest. This will not interfere with his partnership with the Bullie if they are on good terms. When in captivity the Bullfinch hen is likely to go to nest at any time, so that you will not do wrong if you encourage her now by good feeding and supply her with nesting materials. As regards the rearing of Hybrids, one cannot say that any of them are easy to rear. A good deal depends upon the feeders; but, in any breeding operations where fertility is not certain, the young are always more or less delicate. This rule applies to other live stock besides birds. (2) The fact of your Linnet refusing to feed the hen Bullie would not cause her death. How could it? She would not starve if she had plenty of food. There are so many ailments a bird might die of that I am afraid I cannot even guess at the cause. In cases of doubt why not send to Mr. Yates for post-mortem and report?

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Hewitson's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each), No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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Annfield Plain C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Mr. Banagan's, 6.30. Important.—W. Thompson.

Abertillery C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. Special business.—H. H. Mortimer.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Victoria Hotel, 7.30. General business, etc.—H. Bryant.

Bradford East O.S.—Apl. 13, Park Chapel Schoolroom, 8. General business.—J. Spencer.

British Roller C.C.—Apl. 13, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 7.30.—J. W. Norris.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Apl. 10, Shoulder of Mutton, 7. Members' schedule and other business.—F. P. Terry.

Barry F. and F.S.—Apl. 14, Headquarters, committee, 7.30; general, 8. Scrutiny of voting papers re meeting night, and discussion re young stock show for July.—H. P. Thomas.

Blaydon C.B.S.—Apl. 12, Co-op. Library, 7.30. To select judges. Local fanciers please note change of night.—G. Hayver.

Burnley O.S.—Apl. 14, Star Inn, Church Street, 7.30. Judges for F.F. show.—T. Chadwick.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Apl. 13, Joiners' Arms, 8.—J. Kilshaw.

Birmingham South O.S.—Apl. 14, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.30. Lecture by Mr. J. Burke, on "The Yorkshire Canary." Fanciers invited.—J. Sheppard.

Chester-le-Street (Amal.).—Apl. 10, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, 6. Very important business re amalgamation.—R. Ward.

City of Bradford O.S.—Apl. 10, Flying Dutchman, 6.30. Selecting dates of members' shows and election of delegates for Yorks. Union.—W. Helliwell.

Cambois C.B.S.—Apl. 12, U.M.F.C., Cambois, 7.30. Revision of rules; selection of judge. A hearty invitation is given to fanciers to join our Society.—G. Hutchinson.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—Apl. 14, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 8. Paper on "Canary Breeding," by Mr. H. Foxen, Bromley. Now, members, rally round.—W. D. Fryatt.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Apl. 18, Mackell's Hotel, 8. To elect judges for the open show, Nov. 17, 18.—E. Thomas.

Crewe O.S.—Apl. 13, Burton Hotel, 8. Show dates, etc.—N. L. Croft.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Apl. 12, Church Institute, 69, Paddington Street, W., 8. Lecture on "The Importance of Feather in Breeding Prize Canaries," by Mr. J. Robson. Visitors warmly welcomed.—V. Wynn.

Cyfyshank C.B.S.—Apl. 15, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Important.—W. Kane.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Druid's Arms, Bentley, 7. Genl al business; subs. due.—G. Hunt.

Denton C.B.S.—Apl. 13, Silver Spring, 8.—W. Redfern.

Derwent Valley C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Store Hall, 7. Table show, Mule and Hyb. pairs, Linnet, A.O.V.—Johnson and Johnson.

East Stanley C.B.S.—Apl. 11, Club Room, 7. Judges, etc.—W. Elliott.

East Ham F.S.—Apl. 15, Earl of Wakefield, 8 to 8.30. Distribution of medals, etc., 8.30 to 9.45, lecture by Mr. C. W. Mead. Apl. 17, first monthly show; admission free; visitors welcomed.—W. A. Hayward.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Apl. 14, Church House, Church Road 7.30. F.F. show business; election of judge, etc.—W. Dawson.

Great Horton O.S.—Apl. 10, Station Hotel, 7. Pie supper and concert.—A. W. Hartley.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Apl. 10, Grange Congregational School, All Saints Road, Dirkhill, 7.30. Lecture on "Breeding and Rearing of the Yorkshire Canary," by Mr. G. Sneed. Members please turn up at 7.30 promptly, so that we can get business done ready for starting lecture at 8.—A. Firth.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Apl. 14, Headquarters, 8. Subs. due.—W. Curry.

Halifax O.S.—Apl. 10, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Meeting and talk on British birds, to be opened by Mr. D. A. Macpherson. Syllabus will be ready at this meeting.—H. Clegg.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Queen's Head, 7.30. To consider N.F. show and other special business. All fanciers and intending members invited.—P. H. Dixon.

Islington F.A.—Apl. 12, Headquarters, 8.30, Egg table show and collection for the wounded. Annual dinner and concert, Apl. 15, "Stag's Head," Hawley Road, Kentish Town; R. J. Dartnall, chairman.—W. A. Bibb. (Kindly note that announcements should be sent in duplicate if it is wished that they appear both in CAGE BIRDS and "The Poultry World."—Ed.)

Keighley C.B.S.—Apl. 13, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Show business. New members.—C. W. Town.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Apl. 17, Y.M. Halls, 7. Fix next annual show; appoint judges; further discussion on proposed open show; annual subs. due; new members invited.—T. McGregor.

Leyton C.B.A.—Apl. 12, The Parish Hall, Church Road, Leyton, 8. Eggfood making competition; two cash prizes; judge, Mr. W. L. Taylor.—A. W. Farmer.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Apl. 14, Headquarters, 8. Arrangements for F.F. show, judge, etc. Intending members please attend; important.—J. R. Windle.

London and P.O.S.—Apl. 15, Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C., 8 sharp, owing to earlier closing of hotel. "General management of the Bird-room," by Mr. J. Robson. Fanciers and friends will receive a hearty welcome.—H. L. Huggins.

Leigh C.B.S.—Apl. 14, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Open discussion.—R. Charleson.

Middleton C.B.S.—Apl. 12, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting, young bird trophy, etc.—J. Hulton.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Apl. 15, Kelvedon Hall, Waltham Green, 8. General club business; also a lecture on "Feeding, Rearing, and General Management," by Mr. Jeffreys. Subs. now due.—H. F. Bowring.

New Cross C.B.S.—Apl. 15, Salisbury Hotel, Clock Tower, Lewisham, 7.30. Egg-food making competition; fanciers welcome.—Burton Bros.

Oldham C.B.S.—Apl. 13, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. General meeting, nomination of judges for shows, and business of great importance. Members and fanciers kindly turn up.—G. Mills.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Apl. 14, Headquarters, 7. Show business and other matters of importance. Lecture on "Yorks," by Mr. Jones.—J. S. Jones.

Portobello C.B.S.—Apl. 12, Masonic Hall, Tower Street, 8. Important business.—W. Baxter.

South Moor Social.—Apl. 11, Club Room, 6. Important.—G. Lane.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Apl. 12, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Postponed from Easter Monday.—J. Pitchford.

South Moor C.B.S.—Apl. 10, Mr. T. Oxley's, 7. Final selection of judges. Fanciers wishing to become members should attend.—G. F. Bates.

Springburn, Possil Park C.B.C.—Apl. 14, Possil Hall, 8. Meeting and show of British, Goldf., Bull., Greenf., Siskin, For. Goldf. or Bull., J. Waugh.

St. Quintin Park, Kensington, F. and F.S.—Apl. 15, Headquarters, Tavistock Mews, 8. A. P. M. Turrent.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Apl. 10, Headquarters, 7.30. Members' classification, next open show; any other business.—J. Peacock.

Tong C.B.S.—Apl. 13, Hard and Shuttle Inn, 7.30.—W. Walker.

Wigan Roller Club.—Apl. 10, Legs of Man Hotel, 7. Discussion on rings.—P. Greenall.

Walbottle-Mid-Tyne Assoc.—Apl. 14, Station Hotel, 7. Important business; election of judges for show, judges for N.F. show. New members invited. Subs. due.—G. Greenwell.

York C.B.S.—Apl. 12, All Saints' Schoolroom, 8. Lecture by Mr. A. Humphries, on the "Norwich Canary," followed by questions and answers. Fanciers invited.—V. Zimmermann.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

YELLOW BUDGERIGARS (Mrs. Barwick).—(1) You did right to return it, as it was in bad condition. Not only Budgerigars and other Lovebirds, but also some Finches, etc., get a sort of vertigo from commencement in too small a cage; but if you get healthy birds to begin with and give them a roomy cage, you should not be troubled with this annoying complaint. (2) Green Budgerigars are usually more prolific than the yellow variety, but the latter should ultimately settle down and breed as you are giving them a large cage. Put a husk at each end of the cage, and put in such twiggy branches as size of cage permits in lieu of straight perches. They require no nesting material. Keep cuttlebone and grit (not sand) continually in the cage, and supply seeding and flowering grass ad lib.

BREEDING IN A CAGE (A.M.C.).—A pair of Zebra Finches would be about the best you could have for a beginning. You should fix (securely) up amid the twigs, that is, against the back of the

cage or under the central dome, a Hartz travelling cage, first removing the perches and fittings, cutting away two of the bars to form an entrance, and putting a little hay on the bottom. Supply hay and a Canary nest bag for building material. You can easily screen the dome, so as to give privacy, by fastening a piece of "butter-muslin" over it. Only put a little hay in the nest cage; the birds will construct their own nest. You should be able to get the Hartz travelling cage from where you suggest purchasing the birds. Zebra Finches are rather scarce just now, and their value is anything from 10s. to 15s. If you cannot procure a pair from your dealer or the large stores, send me an addressed envelope per the Editor, and I will try and help you.

YOUNG GREY PARROT (Greenaway).—It is impossible to say without seeing the bird, but most probably it is the moult. As the bird has been changing its domicile several times recently it would be well to keep it warm; give it two or three doses (one teaspoonful in the drinking water) of fluid magnesia, with three days between each dose, and on the days you are not giving the magnesia put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water, continuing the last-named every other day for a week or two after you cease giving the magnesia. It will be well to follow the diet the bird has been getting for a short time, and then gradually introduce the regulation dietary, which is, roughly: seed mixture and ripe fruit, with biscuit, crusts, plain cake and nuts as extras. Cuttlebone, grit, and wood for the bird to chew up should be kept continually in the cage. Get our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2½d., post free, from our Manager; it will give you full details of treatment.

SICK AMAZON (H. Rogers).—Your information is very meagre, and for a bird as ill as yours, if it has taken no food since your query was sent, I fear it will be too far gone for remedies when you see this reply. I do not know how you are feeding it, and this makes it almost impossible for me to give a helpful reply. You had better try it with a little boiled maize; boil the maize till it is soft, then drain off all water, and as soon as it is cool soak into it one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia, continuing this till the bowels have been well moved. You had better also give it about one or two tablespoonfuls of milk sop daily, prepared so: four or five pieces of sponge cake about the size of walnuts, put over it half a teaspoonful cod-liver oil emulsion, then a good spoonful of condensed milk, and lastly, sufficient boiling water to make it just sloppy. Keep the ordinary seed mixture and fruit in the cage as well. You had better repeat query next week, if the bird is still alive, and give me full details as to how you have been feeding it, and try to describe its symptoms a little more fully.

LEMON-CRESTED COCKATOO (M. Wright).—You had better let a vet. or some local fancier cut back your bird's beak to normal length. If you attempt it yourself, with no experience, you may make it bleed badly, and do the bird permanent harm. I should give it five drops of tasteless castor oil direct to the beak at once. Give it, till its appetite is normal again, a little boiled maize daily (only keeps fresh one day); boil till soft, drain off all water, and put half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion over it, allow it to soak in a little, then stir up and supply to the bird. Keep the usual dietary in the cage, and put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water daily for a month. Keep the bowels moving freely (not watery-loose) by an occasional dose (one teaspoonful) of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water as required, of course omitting the phosphates when giving the magnesia. Also get a box of honey and borax from your chemist, and put a little in its mouth daily, as long as it lasts, from the end of a stick, but only a clean stick must be put into the mixture. Grit (not sand) and cuttlebone must be continually given. Place a piece of a good-sized branch to one side of the cage in such a position that it can reach it from its perch, it will be healthy exercise for the bird to cut it to pieces and help also to keep beak down to normal length. Renew the branch as often as may be necessary.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

M. Henderson.—You will find the desired particulars in this issue.

F. Maliman.—If you will give details as to your feeding and keeping of the birds, our Mr. Norman will doubtless be able to help you. Give particulars as fully as possible with your query.

F. Higgins.—Thanks for cutting kindly sent.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Fusilier, Kilmarnock.—Death occurred from internal hemorrhage, as the result of violence.

E. H. Selby.—Acute broncho-pneumonia caused death.

I.M.G.—Canary succumbed to broncho-pneumonia. In other respects it was quite sound.

Cockatiel.—Acute double pneumonia (hen bird), adult. This bird was in very fair condition, all its organs perfectly healthy and sound, with the exception of the lungs. There is no doubt it contracted a chill on the journey; in any case I believe it to have been a healthy bird when you sent it off.

W. Holmes.—Hen has not fed this chick, the crop was quite empty. Give for first three days egg only (yolk), after that egg and bread crumbs (the latter is preferable to biscuit). Give parent birds canary and summer rape as staple food, but no hemp.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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THERE is no more lovely seed-eater than the popular Gouldian Finch, which, however, is very difficult to establish. This trouble can be overcome, and the variety kept successfully. But you must follow the hints given in "Nutshell No. 14," from CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C., post free for 2½d. From agents (see list frequently published).

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GOOD yellow Norwich cock, 7/6; three good cock Goldfinches, 2/6 each; approval: Charles Pearce, Crinnis, Par Station, Cornwall. (227)

WANTED.

WANTED, landrails, etc.: Rattigan. (See Softbills.)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries, good price given for good birds: A. Senior, 55, George-st., Leeds. (224)

ANYTHING alive, give good exchange, clothing: Jopson's Exchange Stores, Newton Heath, Manchester. (222)

WANTED tame Chaffinch cock, young; cash or exchange rabbits: The Cottage, North Weald, Essex. (222)

WANTED, Canaries, Yorkshire and Norwich, 6/- pair given, all to Bullfinches, Bramblefinches: King, Capel-st., Dublin. (221)

WANTED pairs of Cockatiels, Canaries, Mules and fowls and bantams, prompt cash: Supply, 45, Great Bridge, Tipton, Staffs. (101)

WANTED, yellow Norwich cock for very yellow mule Siskin, or sell 12/6: Wright, 11, Mannering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (225)

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WANTED, any quantity cock Goldfinches; will give 21/- per doz.; also any variety cock Mules; state price: Kremner, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

WANTED, singing Mules, Canaries, fancy pigeons, doves, bantams, dogs, Persian kittens, Parrots; prompt cash: Goldin, Tib-st., Manchester. (217)

WANTED immediately, any variety of Canaries or toy dogs; cash immediately; state price and particulars to 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

TWO good big stock Norwich cocks wanted, or offers; exchange cabin trunk, cost 35/-, hand-sewn, light, never used: Cox, 100, Bourne-st., Eastbourne. (223)

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WANTED, hen Goldfinches, Mules, give 1/3 each; Norwich and Yorkshire hen Canaries, 24/- dozen; buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (224)

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EXCHANGE very good buff, dark-crested Norwich hen, for two house-moulted Goldfinch cocks, and one Linnet cock, or sell 12/6 each; approval: Ross, 55, Broad-st., Alloa. (226)

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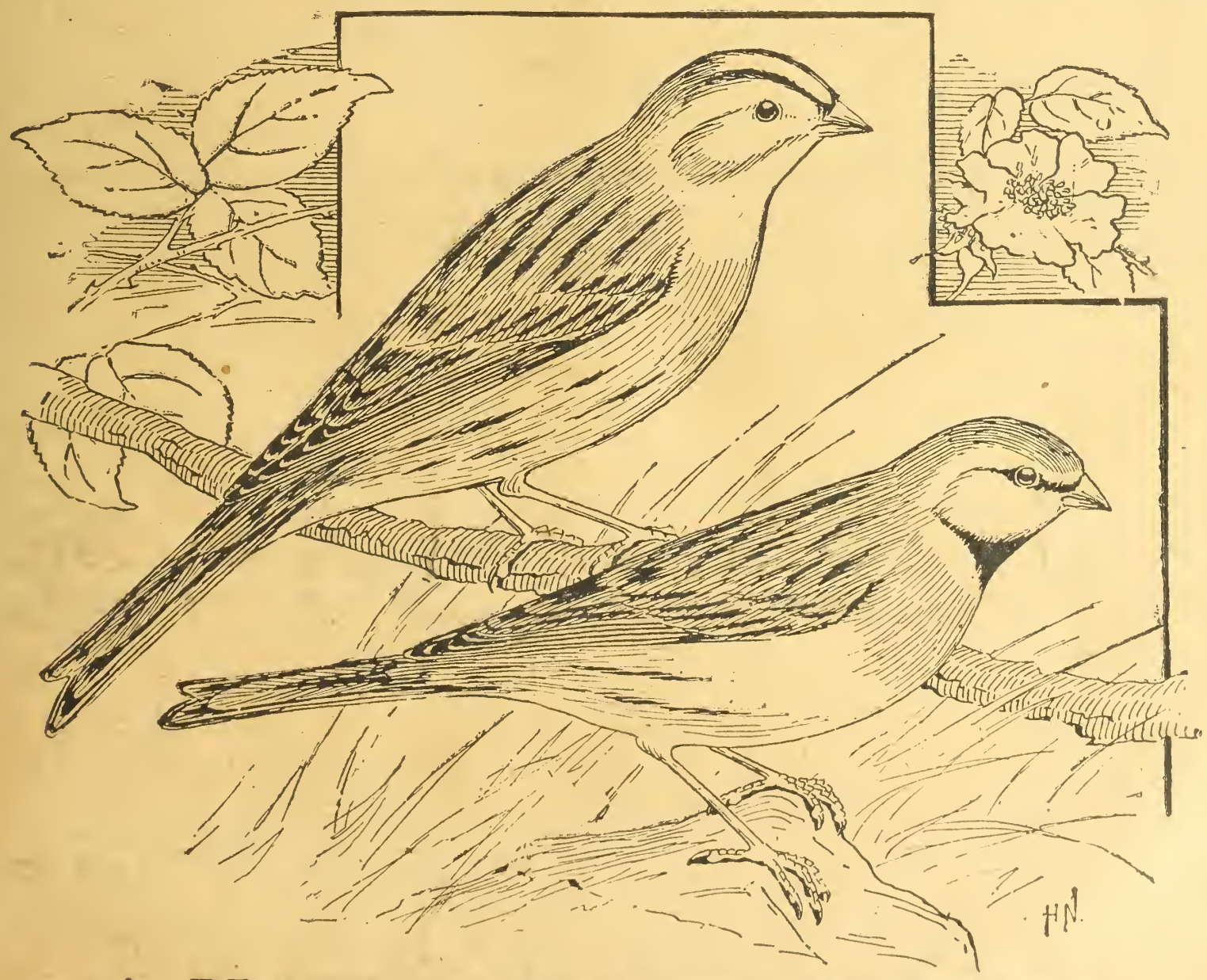

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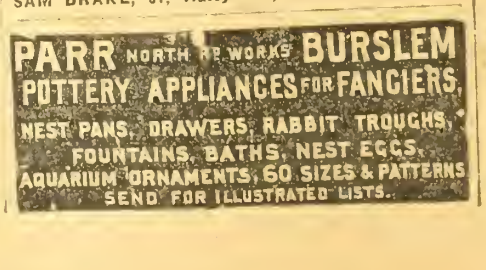
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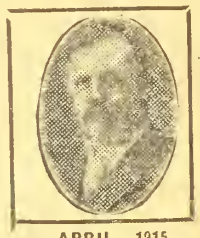

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Twitterings.

We learn that Mr. W. Rackley, the hon. sec. of Watford C.B.S., has been "warned" for active service, and his place as secretary to the society will temporarily be filled by Messrs. Clarke and Sear, 27, Ashby Road, Watford.

I was pleased to see sketch of my bird on front of Cage Birds, and I am sure the camera could not have revealed a more life-like appearance. It is a great credit to Mr. Norman. I wish Cage Birds every success. —O. C. Smith (Reading).

I was delighted, on receiving my Cage Birds of April 10th, to find on your front page the drawing of my buff hen, writes Mr. F. Dipple, Birmingham. Great credit is due to your artist, Mr. Norman. I wish your valuable paper every success.

The syllabus of the Liverpool B.B.A. to hand gives the dates of all shows, lectures, etc., for the year, together with the classification of the N.F., night novice, and pair shows. The hon. sec. is Mr. T. R. Jones, 25, Emerald Street, Liverpool.

The North Liverpool C.B.S. has arranged a ramble for Sunday, May 2, writes Mr. Edgar Broadbank, hon. sec. Take tram from Liverpool to Ormskirk and walk back through the country; train arrangements later. We extend a hearty welcome to fanciers of other societies.

We hear that Mr. W. Cottam has resigned the secretaryship of the Preston O.S. The new sec. is Mr. C. Buck, 5, Nevett Street, Preston, and communications on the business of the society should be addressed accordingly. The annual open show is fixed for Oct. 8 and 9.

We have received the 1915 syllabus of the Leeds C.B.S. Besides the list of shows, and the details of their classification, lectures, etc., it contains particulars of the cups and specials, a balance-sheet for 1914, and the names and addresses of members. The hon. sec. is Mr. E. Norton, 11, Edgeware Place, Bayswater Road, Roundhay Road, Leeds.

Mr. T. R. Jones, hon. sec. of Liverpool B.B.A., asks us to state that in the syllabus for 1915, classes 9 and 10 in the schedule of the F.F. show should read Clear, Ticked, or Unevenly-marked.

Mr. Jas. Hopkins writes that he has removed to the Mouse Trap Inn, Disley, Cheshire, where all letters respecting birds should be sent, and where he will be pleased to see all fanciers and friends.

Will fanciers and friends in Wolverhampton and the Midlands kindly note we have fixed up for our next three monthly meetings three splendid lectures, viz., Mr. F. J. Weaver, "What should constitute the Norwich Plainhead?" May 6; Mr. J. Gibbons, a lecture on the Yorkshire, and Mr. J. A. Tonks, on Mules and Hybrids, writes Mr. J. Gibbons. All these I am sure will be well worth hearing.

OBITUARY.

Mr. F. EASTERLING (Battersea).

Just as we go to press we regret to say that a telegram reaches us from Mr. Buckingham, of Watford, saying that Mr. F. Easterling, the well-known judge and Yorkshire Canary enthusiast, of Battersea Park-road, passed away this (Wednesday) afternoon. His demise will be mourned by a wide circle of fancier friends.

Mr. S. WARE (Skelton).

It is with very deep regret, writes Mr. J. G. Cook, that I write to inform you of the death of the well-known fancier, Stephen Ware, of Skelton. Poor Steve had his leg badly broken in the mines. He was taken to the Guisbro' hospital, and had his leg taken off, but septic poisoning set in, and he died on April 3. On the Sunday I went into town intending to spend the afternoon with him at the hospital, and took my Cage Birds to leave with him; it was quite a shock to me when the matron informed me of his death. He was buried on Wednesday at Skelton, and a number of fanciers gathered to pay their last respects, among them being W. A. Cowgill (Bradford), Mr. Dixon (of the Redcar Society), Mr. Barker, Mr. Hewling, together with Mr. Knaggs, Mr. Hood, and Mr. Starling (of the Guisbro' Society). I am sure all fanciers will extend to Mrs. Ware their deepest sympathy.

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I am sorry to say, writes Mr. J. G. Cook, chairman, Guisbro Priory C.B.S., an old fancier, and one of our members, George Hall, is in the Middlesbro' Infirmary undergoing an operation for a bad rupture, and we wish George a speedy recovery. I was very pleased last Saturday to run against another of our club members, Mr. Allison, of the firm of Mays and Allison. Jim had ten weeks off with a severe attack of pneumonia. I was glad to see his smiling face and feel his hearty hand-shake, and to hear he was himself again. After all, Mr. Editor, sympathy makes all the Fancy akin.

Wake Up Abertillery.

Will fanciers kindly note that the membership of the Abertillery Cage Bird Society is open to Monmouthshire, writes Mr. H. H. Mortimer, hon. sec., 4, Granville Street, Abertillery. Sub., 6d. per calendar month, and 1s. entry fee. We have at present a balance of about £19 in the bank. Will members residing in the district kindly make an effort to attend the meetings, as it is very disheartening for the four or five members who do turn up; we were not able to hold our last monthly meeting owing to the members not turning up. A special meeting will be held April 24 at the Prince of Wales' Hotel at 6.30, to settle date, etc., for the First Feather Show, when I hope we shall have a large attendance.

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ADULT Banksians which have not been tamed while young are extremely nervous and intractable, and even when thoroughly reconciled to captivity are terribly upset by a sudden change of surroundings, refusing food for days in a strange place and uttering a grating scream of fear whenever a person approaches them. Black Cockatoos are not so hardy as most of their white cousins, and while able to stand a certain amount of frost are very sensitive to the effects of cold fog.

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Kinder Than They Look.

The rare Blue Macaws—Lears', Hyacinthine, etc., are as hardy as the commoner kinds, but appear more inclined to stray if allowed complete liberty. They are generally very docile and affectionate, and are rather less noisy than the other members of the group. They are not particularly aggressive in mixed company, although they are well able to assert themselves. Macaws are very difficult to sex.

Conures.—A large family of Parrakeets of small or medium size, the majority of which inhabit South America and the adjacent islands. They are easily kept, either in cage or aviary, and most of the common species can be wintered out of doors. Conures are lively and intelligent birds, easily tamed and capable of learning to talk: they are, however, extremely noisy, very destructive and often quarrelsome with other birds, especially those not nearly related to them. They should be fed and treated like Amazon Parrots, but should only be allowed hemp seed in small quantities, as they sometimes suffer from fatty degeneration of the liver. The sexes are usually much alike.

Quaker Parrakeet (*Myopsittacus monachus*).—A very hardy bird, indifferent to cold even when newly imported, and closely resembling the Conures in disposition. It is usually spiteful with Parrots and Parrakeets, but tolerably inoffensive towards birds of other orders. If allowed complete liberty it usually stays well for a time but ultimately wanders away, and it is more destructive than any other bird of its size I know.

Many Kinds of "Love-Birds."

Lovebirds.—A small genus of diminutive short-tailed Parrots which, despite their popular name, are not conspicuous for amiability towards their neighbours or even for the idyllic character of their domestic existence. They are quite untrustworthy with weaker birds of other orders.

Madagascar Lovebird (*Agapornis cana*).—A hardy and well-known species in which the cock has the head and neck grey and the hen green. It should be fed on canary, millet and hemp seed, with grass and other green food. Madagascars stay fairly well at liberty and will sometimes breed, but with me they have sooner or later fallen victims to various ailments, of which total paralysis of the legs is the most common.

Black-cheeked Lovebirds (*Agapornis nigrigenis*).—A hardy and attractive little bird in which the sexes are so alike as to be practically indistinguishable. A number of breeding pairs will nest together in harmony in a large aviary, but non-breeding birds are very apt to pluck and molest their neighbour's young and should therefore be kept by themselves. Black-cheeks are useless for turning out as they invariably migrate in August and September, after breeding.

Rosy-faced Lovebirds (*Agapornis roseicollis*).—A very beautiful species but the most vicious of all its family. It should be given plenty of fruit and sponge cake in addition to seed. A pair I once tried at liberty did not stay.

Passerine Parrotlet (*Psittacula passerina*).—Commonly called "Blue-winged Lovebird." Passerine Parrotlets are quite hardy when properly acclimatised, but require plenty of heat on first arrival. They should be fed on millet and canary seed, with stale sponge cake moistened in water. Green food may be offered them, but they often refuse to touch it. In spite of their grave and demure appearance, these little birds are much given to indulging in sudden and sanguinary fracas amongst themselves, and should never be overcrowded either in cage or aviary. If it should be necessary to keep a number of them for some time in a confined space, it is a wise precaution to separate the sexes. Bluewings do fairly well at liberty, and where Owls are not too numerous might succeed in establishing themselves. The hen is of a nearly uniform green colour and lacks the blue rump and secondaries which adorn her mate.

Palæornis Parrakeets.—Food: Canary, millet, hemp and oats, with fruit and green stuff. The *Palæornidae* do well in cages, and keep in far better condition than the Australian Parrakeets. The cocks are not difficult to tame, and make nice pets; some, such as the Indian Ring-neck, learning to talk well if taken from the nest and reared by hand. Palæornis Parrakeets are not very susceptible to infectious diseases, and the majority can safely be wintered out-of-doors, although it is not always prudent to allow them to attempt to breed at low temperatures, as the hens are rather subject to egg binding. Most species have an immature dress which they wear for a considerable period, and during that time they are most puzzling birds to sex. The *palæornidae* are not unduly quarrelsome.

Malaccan Long-tailed Parrakeet (*Palæornis longicauda*).—Deserves special mention on account of its extreme sensitiveness to cold. It should never be exposed to a temperature below 60 deg. and 70 deg.—80 deg., would probably be necessary for the success of a breeding experiment.

Great-billed Parrakeet (*Tanygnathus megalorhyncus*).—Food: Canary, millet, wheat, oats, hemp, paddy-rice, fruit, and nuts. This brilliantly coloured and grotesque bird is not often imported. It certainly cannot be described as beautiful, but makes an attractive addition to a collection on account of the oddity of its appearance and its absurd actions when tame. It is generally supposed to be sensitive to cold, but some newly-imported Great-bills I turned out this spring in very rough plumage, endured a spell of cold weather (including sharp night frosts) without the slightest injury. The hen is more "dumpy" in build than the cock, with a shorter neck and smaller beak.

(To be continued.)

ALL ABOUT THE GREENFINCH.

By R. T. CAMPBELL (Dunfermline).

THIS ever popular Finch, the Greenie, or, to give him his more classical name, Ligurinus Chloris, has always been as great a favourite with me as any on our long list of British birds. He may lack the gorgeous colouring of the Goldfinch or Bullfinch, and certainly his vocal powers deny him a place of honour in the chair of enchanters, but let us not think him unpicturesque, and although his voice may fail to inspire poetical sympathy, he has charms that lead us to include him in any team of British seed-eaters.

When "in the rough," the limits of the working man's pockets are seldom pinched in the purchase of a few likely specimens, but even in the case of a field-moulted bird, a good one always commands a respectable figure. I know of several present winners, which as "recently-taken" birds realised figures which would surprise many.

Where Greenfinches Nest.

"Green Linnets," as sometimes we hear these Finches spoken of, are very early breeders; given a choice of nesting sites, their fancy is often taken up with the forking branch of that hardy evergreen, the laurel, for here they find cover early in April, and, if the first round goes unmolested, towards the middle of May we may expect to find quite a number of speckled-breasted youngsters, who in first feather resemble the mother Finch, with the exception of a mottled or pencilled breast, which of course they lose at the first moult. In any good sized laurel shrub in a quiet spot you may expect to find several nests of Greenfinches within a few feet apart.

The eggs may be taken and put under a Canary hen, but unless one is desirous of rearing good, steady hens for hybridising purposes, it never makes a very profitable experiment. Canary-reared or hand-reared Finches very seldom ever gain either the size or colour of their wild brothers and sisters. If you wish to try a nest of eggs under a Canary, see that you give them to a persistent feeder, one not frightened at hard work. Young Greenfinches, being very heavy feeders, keep a hen fully employed, and sometimes we find that even a good feeder is compelled to relinquish her charge; she either gets nervous when she sees the expansive mouths, or after having fed them a few days with regularity, the strong beaks of the youngsters seem to irritate her face, and the pain arising from this compels her to leave them.

A Lesson for a Dilatory Hen.

When hand rearing has to be resorted to, prepare a diet of eggs, meat, and boiled rape seed, and when you have got them over twelve days, add to this a half part succulent dandelion seed, which, at this season, are plentiful, and which wild birds will be making the most of in the rearing of their nestlings. A young Canary fancier may have a young hen rather dilatory at feeding her own young, one that is inclined to sit and smother her youngsters rather than feed; I advise him to transfer these young to a foster-mother, and substitute a nest of young Greenies about the same age. If the maternal instinct is not wholly lost to her, the young Greenfinches will compel her to leave the nest and attend to their wants; I know of two instances where such hens were cured in this manner of the close-sitting habit, and afterwards made exceptionally good feeders.

Better than Hand-rearing.

However, as Greenfinches can be picked up so very cheaply during the autumn and winter months, it is very doubtful, as I said before, whether the trouble of Canary-rearing or hand-feeding is really worth the time. It is more profitable to secure from a catcher, say, a dozen cocks and a half-dozen hens; this would not be an expensive investment, and something like two shillings should put you in possession of a good selection.

In "The British Bird Manual," published by Cage Birds, the author and artist, Mr. H. Norman, has portrayed in Part I., page 39, what I consider an ideal model of a Greenfinch, and if you are fortunate enough to receive a bird modelled on such lines you may congratulate yourself. The essential points in a good Greenfinch are type (first and foremost), size, colour, and quality of feather, but before you make your selection you had better single out as many birds as you have show cages for, and bench them in exhibition fashion.

Do not delay making your selection, for a wild bird is much steadier when the surroundings are strange to him than after he has had the run of a cage for a day or two, and, moreover, you wish to get a pick made before the birds have lost their field fatness. Although those selected will lose a bit for a time in confinement, you will easily remedy that with judicious feeding.

The Points of a Greenfinch.

Now for the individual points that go to the making up of an exhibition bird. Starting with a nice round bold head, free from flatness, or the browyness of a Crestbred Canary, clear and well centred eye, short and thick neck, broad shoulders, nice and round breast, full, and running fine and deep, showing a nice curve from the throat to the root of the tail, well rounded back, wings well laid on, and fitting closely, the whole back showing a straight line from the gentle rise over the shoulders to the tip of the tail.

A well positioned Finch should stand on the perch at an angle of 40 to 45 degrees. You do not want a bird that lies low—"hugging his perches," as the saying goes. Generally these birds are nervous a bit, but by curtailing the width of the hop, and by gaining their confidence, you can greatly assist them to overcome this fault and regulate their movements from perch to perch.

Why Not Classes for Buffs?

The colour of the Greenfinch has for a long time been a vexed question, and many discussions have arisen thereto both in the Fancy Press and in the show room. What we are asked to secure is a rich yellow green, this I admit; but has this not been played on too much? Many a good, typical buff, teeming with quality, has had to stand back in preference to a better "coloured" bird, but one at this same time inferior in other points. I believe the day is not far distant when we will see some enterprising show committee introducing a class for the buffs. What says Bathgate, the Greenie town?

You must get the yellows, as the butts of the wings, primary quills, and tail feathers as rich in tone as you can, and showing plenty of it, but many a good-coloured bird just fails at these points, so do not discard such a bird; very often we find it to be a young unflighted bird, and with a touch of feed in the moult this fault will be rectified. The black and grey feathers of the wings and tail should be bright and valid, quite free from all smokiness.

(To be continued.)

How Winning Norwich are Bred

A leading Scottish exhibitor, who has won hundreds of prizes, describes his method of producing his winners. He, however, desires to remain anonymous.

WHEN first I started the Fancy I picked up several good birds, which were wearing the red card at some of our leading shows, which I gradually worked myself into a strain of my own; when I now require to buy any addition to my stud, I am very careful as to the stable it comes from.

I am a believer in the tumbler pigeon type for a Norwich, but of course with length of wing shortened a bit—that is, I stand by the bold, short, thick-set bird of good size, with nice round head and short close-fitting feathers; get this, then you are not far out of it.

My idea as to how to get this is to pair up the very best specimens that can be got, say a large buff hen, which must be of good shape and quality, and a yellow cock, nothing inferior, not one of the largest, but one of correct shape and good quality. A little variegation on either side is desirable in order to produce colour.

Have Size on the Hen Side.

I maintain that to get size one must breed from a big hen, a buff preferred, as these are the strongest, and have more substance than a yellow. I have bred in this way some of the best Plainheads of the day; in fact, birds that have never been defeated on the show bench except by their own stable companions. I make it a rule to keep one stamp only of Plainhead in my room, and that is as described above, and I find I am never far off the mark as a rule. My advice to the noviee is: pair up your birds as I have already described, but first of all see that you have got the proper material to work upon, and leave nothing to chance.

I am a staunch believer in pedigree, and I maintain the mother must be no dwarf—that is, if we expect to get the size we require. Of course, the more aged the parents the more deterioration in the size of offspring. You often hear one say "this or that hen lays a pretty little egg," but I always prefer to see an egg of fair size, as it is almost 10 to 1 the larger "scuddy" will be hatched.

Some time ago a well-known Norwich fancier gave his idea as to how to match up so as to breed winners. He explained that the proper way was to get a small typical hen, and to put this to a cock of great size and substance, no matter how unshapely, or rough, as the neatness and good quality of the hen would counterbalance all defects. This, no doubt, accounts for so many snipey-faced or browy specimens being seen in our show halls nowadays.

Always Use the Best.

To put the matter in a nutshell, pair up the very best specimens that can be had, as described in the foregoing, and fear not the result. I may say that I have been a breeder and exhibitor of the "chubby ones" for something like twenty-five years, and have won over 2,000 prizes and challenge cups at leading shows, and my experience may be taken for what it is worth. I have not written this with the idea of seeing my name in print; hence my adoption of a nom-de-plume.

Correspondence.

Are Yellow Norwich Decreasing in Number?

Sir,—In Mr. Walter Connelly's article in the Review of the 1914-15 Norwich Plainheads in Cage Birds Annual, he asks fanciers to refrain from double-buffing, and further says that too much double-buffing is being done, thus causing Yellows to be scarce. Mr. C. seems to have his back turned against double-buffing, and I should be pleased if he would speak his mind through your esteemed paper, Cage Birds. Others, I have no doubt, would join, and perhaps the fancy would gain thereby.

Briar Bush.

Proposed C.B.S. for Somercotes and District (Derbyshire).

Sir,—A meeting was held at the Devonshire Arms, April 10, when it was decided to form a society, to be called the Somercotes and District C.B.S. Mr. H. E. Tatlow, Market Square, Somercotes, was appointed sec., and Mr. L. Parsons, Lower Somercotes, treasurer. The election of other officers and drawing up of rules was left over until the next meeting, at the Devonshire Arms, May 1, at 7. An invitation is extended to all fanciers of the district to be in attendance.

H. E. Tatlow.

The Fertilization of Eggs.

Sir,—I have had similar experiences to Mr. Davitt—that is, of a hen laying before the cock has been introduced, and by mating up without further delay I have found that if the hen lays five eggs in all, three will be fertile, thus proving that eggs can be fertilized in 36 or 40 hours. On other occasions I have taken the cock away when the hen has laid the first egg, and found that all the clutch are fertile. I have read in Cage Birds of other fanciers only allowing the cock bird to be in the hen's company for a total time of 15 minutes, and yet all the eggs have been fertile, and this seems to prove very clearly that all the eggs are fertilized at once.

W. Hainsworth.

Who Will Help Soldier Fanciers to Restart in the Hobby?

Sir,—I think Mr. Silver's proposal a very good one. I for one would be very pleased to give either a pair of Yorkshires, Norwich or Cinnamons, whichever the soldier fancier likes best; they will be good birds. I wish with all my heart that you meet with great success.

(Mrs.) M. A. Ballard.

Sir, Having seen Mr. Silver's offer to supply birds to those returning from the Front, who through the War have been obliged to give up their stock, I have very great pleasure in asking you to put my name on your list of donors for three pairs of Yorkshires. The idea is a very good one, and I hope to see that you have a response worthy of the cause.

Thos. E. Pyman.

Sir,—Mr. Silver's proposal is a splendid one, and I trust a good many fanciers will support it. (I will for one.) But permit me to add another suggestion. If a fancier is willing to serve his King, let some fancier take a number of pairs from him and do his best for him till he returns. I have at the present four pairs of Yorkshires belonging to one of our members who has answered his country's call, and I hope if he is spared to return I shall have a good stock of young to please him. I might add my wife is giving me extra help in looking after these, as with my own stock, and business, time is well occupied.

O. C. Smith,
Sec. Reading C.B.S.

Sir,—The letter appearing in Cage Birds of April 10 over the signature of "J. Silver" I consider most excellent. That any man who, at the call of King and country, has surrendered what to my mind is at once the most fascinating and innocent of hobbies, should be so penalised as to find it impossible to start again, or so handicapped as to take years to regain his original footing in the Fancy, is unthinkable to a sportsman. It occurs to me that perhaps charity should begin at home, though Cage Birds may be the medium through which it is dispensed. As a member of the Cardiff C.B.S., I shall be pleased to send you half-a-guinea to be given for this purpose to any member of our society who may be placed in such a position. Should none have made such sacrifice, I am sure gallant little Wales has one, and, providing such is a member of a Welsh society, let him have next place. When you know of such a one, kindly send to me for the money and I will remit to you per return.

(Rev.) C. B. Jolliffe.

Linseed for Laying Hens.

Sir,—To aid birds in passing eggs, keep half a teaspoonful of linseed in the water in their drinking vessel. I hope a few will practise this mode for the season, and give results after breeding.

Linseed.

Border Fancies at the Horticultural Hall Show.

Sir,—We were pleased to see Mr. Jenkins' reply to "Border," and to know our hen "leaves the court without a (colour) stain upon her character." We were almost as disappointed as the owner at her non-success at Cardiff, but hope she will breed some as good as herself, and "come up smiling" next show season.

Burton Bros.

Sir,—As an exhibitor at this show, I have been interested in the correspondence about colour-feeding of birds in the prize-list. Mr. Ramsden's friend, the specialist judge of Borders, was entirely wrong when he said all Borders needed to be "helped" or were "helped"; Mr. Ramsden says he was satisfied he was right, therefore he is wrong too, which I could prove to either of them. Borders can be bred and exhibited a splendid colour without any "help" at all. Of course I admit that there are some exhibitors who help their birds, and it is for the judges to put them down. Novices or others buying birds to put colour into their stock have their own remedy, as if they buy a high-coloured bird from any breeder, and it does not moult out the same colour the following season, they can shun that breeder in future, as well as expose him to their friends. One point has not been made clear in the correspondence: did Mr. Jenkins say that any of the birds in the tickets had been "fed"?

W. Espie.

Sir,—Being an exhibitor of Borders at the L.C.B.A. Show, this question of colour-feeding is interesting to me. After Mr. D. Jenkins' own statement in Cage Birds, may I ask would it not have been better for him to have disqualified the birds he thought were assisted by colour-food? What is the use of breeding for natural colour if judges allow birds to win that in their opinion have been helped with colour-food. After exhibiting "wee gems" a few years ago, and not being very successful, I visited several shows and found, like Mr. Ramsden did, that colour beat me. But I did not do as Mr. R. has done. I set about to get colour by introducing plenty of dark blood into my stock, and can now get into the tickets without showing them the colour-food, for if I had to do that I would give up my fancy at once. I may say I saw the yellow hen, referred to by Burton Bros., at the Welsh National Show. She must, in my opinion, have been in very different trim at the L.C.B.A. Show to have secured what she then did.

J. H. Madagan.

Sir,—I was exceedingly pleased to read "Border's" letter. This is no new thing, colour-feeding; and even dyeing has been going on for years. We have many specialist Border Fancy clubs throughout Great Britain, and I should like to know what they have been doing to stop such tactics? I have visited a goodly number of shows in Scotland, and I find that in nine cases out of ten the prize-winners are colour-fed. Border Fancy judging is a huge farce. The men selected to perform the onerous duties have not the courage of their convictions, consequently colour wins. They are afraid to exercise their prerogative in case their judging engagements might suffer. And when one looks more closely into things one could almost say with precision it's a case of "You'll scratch my back, and I'll scratch yours." The parties to blame are the societies. I have known a very prominent exhibitor telling a member of another society, "Get Mr. So and So to judge, and I'll give you forty entries." Result, the "good thing" came off. I have never yet exhibited a Border Fancy in open competition, but hope to do so in the coming season, and the colouring, feeding, etc., fraternity can take it from me that I intend to protest and "plank down the dough" every time that the forbidden fruit is perceptible.

Scottie.

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The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—Mr. Allsopp asks what help I am rendering to the Fancy with my twenty-two years' experience (should be twenty-five)? My answer is—actions speak louder than words. It may be a bit of a surprise for him to know that a Cardiff gentleman is prepared to stake another "fiver" that I knock spots off him. Surely, having had only one bird (the Temptress) in his life that did any winning in open competition does not justify him making such a hullabaloo. I will conclude by asking him if his latest introduction of a chubby muling hen is the "reliable" he expects to breed his champion Norwich from?

W. Spillman.

Sir,—I am surprised at our Plymouth friend crying out after making a challenge. Mr. Allsopp seems rather disappointed about it. As I am fond of a sporting match, I will show four young Plainhead Norwich of my own breeding against four of Mr. Allsopp's own breeding for 20s. each bird, clear yellow, clear buff, ticked or variegated yellow, and ticked or variegated buff. Conditions: The birds to be dispatched to the Editor of Cage Birds the last week in June or first week in July; the Editor to appoint someone to adjudicate, whose decision shall be final—the committee of the local societies to be asked to send one of their members to visit our breeding rooms to see the birds we intend competing with, as often as they think proper; stake for birds not staged forfeited. If our Plymouth fancier would like to join in we will have it a three-handed sweepstake.

J. Bastock.

Sir,—It seems that the advent of my Plymouth critic into this correspondence has had a demoralising effect. Can it be his name or his challenge, or what? That the introduction of the personal element might add a little piquancy to matters, suiting some, I do not deny, but the fancier proper, be he a beginner or old hand, must deplore this wasting of time. Inasmuch as I understand many beginners are looking to this corner for practical help from those who, if they choose, can render substantial help, I suggest, in the interests of everybody interested, that the bone be grasped, and not the shadow. The keen follower of this correspondence must surely now have no misgivings regarding the source of mere size in our breed. It is difficult to understand why some breeders regard with abhorrence the origin of the more massive Plainhead of to-day, as witness recently a lecturer before one of the London societies who stated he would give up the breed rather than rely upon such crosses. There seems to be no secret about the composite character of the Yorkshires, and no one seems to despise them for it, then why should the built-up character of our breed be held up to ridicule and contempt? Nowhere has the advice been given for all and sundry to introduce the Crestbred or Lancashire "slap-bang, and to go mad for size. All this happened years ago. To-day plenty of massive stock birds can be procured, especially up North, or in the Midlands (the usual source of the "big" movements) showing little traces of such crosses, but which nevertheless could not be guaranteed to be free. In the same way as I understand the first cross of the Crest with the Lancashire produces some youngsters in which or no effect of the cross is apparent, so with the Norwich and Lancashire or Crestbred, for many such change hands each year as good Plainheads, and accomplish good things, even though first crosses. It would indeed be hypercritical for anyone in close touch with the show bench of to-day to insinuate that size is not supported by outside aid, and it is significant that no denial is forthcoming from those that matter. The whole bother about these crosses arises from the fact that specimens which are only in the making are found upon the show bench, and when nothing better can be found in the classes, and sometimes it happens so, they win prizes. Now if you feel very well regarding size, let us discuss the beaks of our breed, for such is just one of those details that count, at least should do so. Never perhaps before have I examined more than 200 Plainheads so critically in one day as at the recent Welsh National show, and I found long beaks, short beaks, stout beaks, and slender beaks, and seldom the beak which in size, shape, and colour harmonised beautifully with the head and neck. It may seem strange to some when I say I found the neatest, boxy, harmonising beaks upon the largest specimens. It is no secret however, when one realises how close has been the attention Crest breeders have paid to the breeding of short-beaked Crests and Crestbreds of late years. This neatness has now become established, and so is not eliminated when crossed into the Plainhead. Therefore if the Crestbred has brought so much heart burning with it, please credit it with some good. How the first impressions of our judges are affected or influenced by even beaks is only realised by those who judge the breed, and as specialist with the interest of the breed at heart, but nothing will mar an otherwise grandly-moulded head and neck more than an unsightly beak, and rather than ruin my chances I would consider it worth my while to take advantage of the Crestbred cross if for this reason alone. The moral, at least for those breeders whose birds carry too much beak, is to sink all prejudice, and progress, for after all there is nothing at our disposal better calculated to remedy this defect than the cross mentioned. In any case choose stock birds with the smallest and neatest beaks, and in doing so you will have made real progress towards the grand, wide, full skull after which you hanker, like all good Plainhead breeders.

E. W. Allsopp.

The Pelton Fell, etc., Amalgamation of Societies.

Sir,—There was a meeting at Chester-le-Street, when the amalgamation was abolished. I think each society will be better for this; fanciers will be more satisfied in each district. I should like to bring to fanciers' notice that Pelton Fell C.B.S. intends having a meeting on April 24, at Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell, at 6, to which I give all old and new fanciers a hearty welcome, and hope they will become members. The business will be: Subs., what should they be this year?; nomination of judges; schedule for N.F. and annual show; dates of shows and election of officers.

John Robinson, Sec.
1, Lonsdale St., Newfield,
Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Black Canaries.

Sir,—In perusing some back numbers of Cage Birds the other day, I came across your issue of Dec. 7, 1912, in which you say in your Notes and Critique on the then recent Horticultural Hall Show: "Mr. Kiesel, the breeder of the well-known white Yorkshires, is having a try this next year for blacks. He has been so taken up with getting the whites to perfection, that he has not given much thought to the opposite colour; but he has the material, and intends trying for them in earnest. He feels rather confident of success, which we heartily wish him."

I also have a recollection that in a more recent issue of Cage Birds you published a letter from a New Zealand lady (I think it was Mrs. Martin) stating that she had actually bred some black Canaries from her white strain, and that a specimen was being sent to England, and in a footnote to her letter you stated you would give your opinion on the bird when it arrived. I do not remember, however, having seen any further reference to black Canaries in your paper, and I am wondering whether Mr. Kiesel has been successful in his experiment, and whether the New Zealand-bred bird ever arrived in this country, and if so what was the opinion of those fanciers fortunate enough to see it. Perhaps you would be good enough to answer the latter query, and I have no doubt Mr. Kiesel, with his usual courtesy, will enlighten your readers as to the result of this attempt to breed "Blacks."

H. C. Brooks.

[The black Canary to which our correspondent refers has never reached us, and we believe that Mr. Kiesel has not yet been successful in rearing Blacks.—Ed.]

Birds at the Barber's.

Sir,—One of the prettiest and most artistic aviaries to be seen in a day's march is to be seen at the back of a hairdresser's saloon in Fulham. It is "some" aviary, as our American cousins would put it. There is a certain sect of Pilgrims, the writer is one of them, who regularly journey to this veritable shrine of beauty, No. 1. High St., to pay their tribute, and incidentally to have their hair cut. The exterior of the premises gives no clue to the feast to be seen within, and the stranger who chances that way meets with a pleasant surprise. Its enchanting beauty and the glorious song from the feathered vocalists gladden the hearts of the patrons of this locally renowned establishment, whilst having the superfluous hirsute tissue deftly removed from their northern hemisphere by the courteous tonsorial artist.

Here aliens, naturalised or otherwise, are strictly tabooed, every bird being British to the backbone, including Canaries of home-bred varieties. The birds live in perfectly natural surroundings of mossy banks, stately palms and tall rushes, with a crystal spring in which goldfish dart to and fro, in fact nothing has been forgotten that would add to the welfare and comfort of the feathered inmates. Much amusement is caused at times by one or another of the birds, usually the hens, darting out into the saloon, for there is nothing to bar their passage, and seizing upon a tuft of hair recently shorn from an individual with a bushy growth, and hurriedly returning to its own quarters, where a nest is in the course of construction.

Walter Larking.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—Re that beautiful Hybrid, "White Rose," I happen to know Mr. Mallatrat (the gentleman who bred it) and he told me on his honour that it is a Canary-Bullfinch, and that it was bred from a buff cock Canary, and a British hen Bullie. I myself fail to see where the Greenie comes in. All honour to Mr. Mallatrat for breeding such a bird. Where do all the Canary feathers come from? And I should like to know whether any fancier has ever bred either a light or a Melanistic Hybrid from two British Birds? I think not. All I have to say to the critics is, let them breed one like it—that is what is puzzling them. The long and short of it is, the bird is in the wrong hands. It has been proved times without number that if certain men get hold of certain birds they are champions, and if others get them they are nowhere. "White Rose" is a champion, and if this bird had got into the hands of any of the leading Mule exhibitors it would have taken all before it. Because it has got into the hands of Mr. Parlett it has to be pulled to pieces by a certain few who think they know something. Regarding Mr. Houlton putting the bird first at Liverpool, I believe the Fancy generally look upon Mr. Houlton as one of those few judges who know their business. There are too many men posing as judges who don't know as much about the birds as the exhibitors themselves. I know Mr. Parlett personally, and can say that he is a sport. When he gets his eye fixed on a bird he will have it, no matter what price he pays. And I know Mr. Vardy offered a good price for the bird when six weeks old. How much more proof do the critics want?

J. W. Saywell.

Sir,—Mr. Parlett has taken advantage of the discussion on the parentage of White Rose no less than six times to sing the praises of the judges who have been fortunate enough to award prizes to his bird; no doubt they will feel duly impressed by his oft repeated flattery. But thank goodness we have judges who dare to ignore his threats of boycotting. Instead of attempting to reply to my letter of March 27th, Mr. Parlett asks if a light bird can be bred from two dark parents. My reply is, yes, hundreds of light birds have been bred from dark British birds; clears (Albinos) are not uncommon, and variegated (partial Albinos) are quite plentiful. I have also seen a variegated Goldfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid on the show bench, and quite recently I saw a Goldie-Canary Mule, 1914 bred, all black with the exception of a few reddish coloured feathers on the head; its nest mates were normally coloured dark Goldie Mules, and all had been kept under the same conditions, so the black colour was not caused by feeding. The light plumage of White Rose is easily accounted for, but no one has yet attempted to account for the presence of the distinct and unmistakable traces of the Greenfinch which White Rose so clearly shows, traces which have never yet been seen, and are not likely ever to be seen, in a bird bred from a Canary and a Bullfinch. If Mr. Parlett is really satisfied in his own mind that there is no Greenfinch in White Rose, why is he so afraid to enter it in the light Canary Mule class? It might be to the interest of show committees to word their classes so as to compel White Rose to compete in the light Mule class in future. Perhaps Mr. Parlett will let us know what is the natural colour of the light plumage of White Rose. We all know that colour-feeding works a wonderful transformation on some birds; even British birds, such as Linnets, Bullfinches, etc., appear to be much affected by it. In reply to R. Blake, I would recommend him to again read my letter of March 27th, I may add that I am as much entitled to call myself Patrick as he is to call himself Blake. Funny isn't it, eh?

Patrick.

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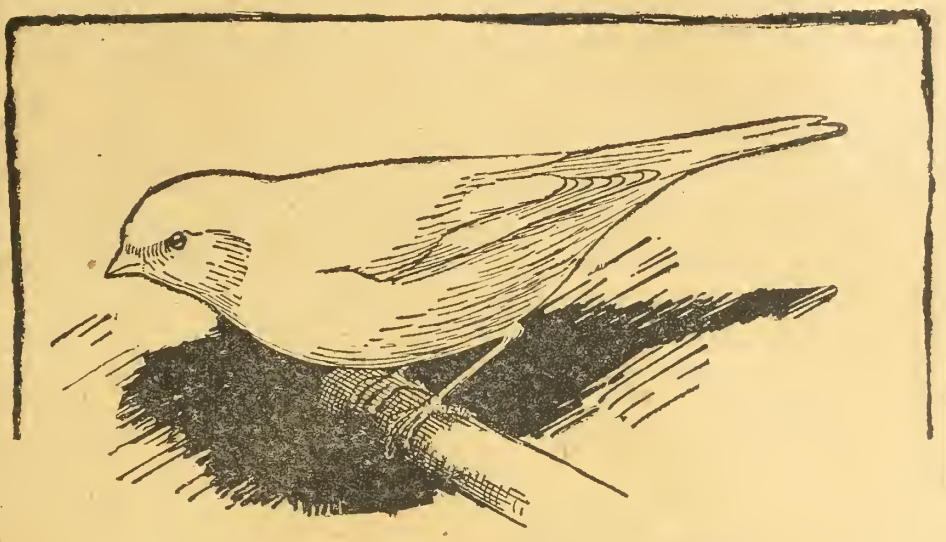

A BONNY BUFF NORWICH CANARY.

1st prize at the show of the City and Suburban A.C.B. for Mr. F. J. Martin, Battersea.

A Soldier Fancier in India.

Sir,—I have much pleasure in writing you. You will observe by the above address that I am at Lucknow, India, with the 2nd Wessex Brigade, R.F.A. I am sorry to say I had to clear my stock of birds with forty-eight hours' notice, to come out here last October, and they all went to the dealer, as just at that time breeders were chary about buying. It may be a surprise to you to know that I was a soldier fancier, but I had facilities for keeping birds, as I was on the staff and living out of barracks. I hope at some future date to take up my hobby again, as I found it a both educating and paying one, though of course I lost heavily on my last deal. I often wish now I had taken a little interest in Foreign birds, as there are some very nice species about these parts, of the names of which I have no knowledge. I have a Red-eared Bulbul at present, which cost me four-pence, with a wicker cage thrown in. Next month the travelling hawkers will be round with young birds, as I notice the birds are nesting everywhere. I have a pair of Green Parrakeets and a pair of Doves nesting over the beams in the roof of the verandah of my bungalow. I saw a tree a fortnight ago with at least a dozen Weavers' nests, bottle shaped, hanging from its branches. I had not the time to stay and examine them, as I was on parade, riding past them. Hoopoes are numerous here, as is also a bronze-green coloured Flycatcher. The Robin here has a red vent instead of red breast, and is similar in shape and action to our home bird. I am going to visit the museum here and spend an afternoon in the bird section, so as to acquaint myself with some of their names. Well, we are hoping to be selected to go to the front before April, or we must rest contented here until next winter. I have a letter before me from an Ipswich fancier asking me to supply him with birds related to one of my old stocks, which I sold him some two seasons past, and which has apparently done him a bit of good. I am sorry I cannot oblige him. I get Cage Birds each mail through my wife, and it gives me great pleasure to read the various interesting articles therein. I wish Cage Birds and the Fancy in general all success.

Battery Sergt. Major A. Hill.
Late Newport, I.O.W.

The Nightingale as a Pet Bird.

Sir,—I have been a regular reader of Cage Birds for over three years, and I have taken great interest in all articles referring to the Nightingale, and have learnt a great deal from same, so thought I would write you my own personal experience. A friend of mine, who keeps a bird-shop, procured for me two Nightingales in May, 1913, both of which I was unfortunate enough to lose. I asked him to get me one in 1914; he kept the bird for a week on 50 mealworms per day, then sent him on to me, when I placed him in a large single breeding cage in the bird room. I went out on the marshes and got some live ants' eggs. In gathering these I took a trowel and a paper bag, dug out the nests, and brought back eggs and ants too, which I sorted out afterwards. I grubbed about, found spiders, earwigs, woodlice and caterpillars, and also knocked off any greenfly from my cabbage; anything alive for my bird. When he moulted he looked a picture, but alas, we moved from the house the first week in November, and it rather disturbed him, and he lost his tail. Since we moved in November, he has lived in a public bar, and is the admiration of everyone (although he has no tail). He is so very tame that if he sees the mealworm tin he commences to dance from perch to perch, and when I offer him one he will "ask" quite nicely. He will answer my whistle from almost anywhere in the house. Sometimes I push up his cage-door, and down he pops into the opening, grabs the worm and jumps back on the perch. If I hold my hand flat he will jump on to it and pick the worms off. He doesn't mind any noise, and is not at all nervous. I kept him for five weeks this winter without mealworms, chiefly on spiders and woodlice. I go out and gather some moss for his cage-bottom, or if I cannot get that, I just keep the sand drawer clean. On April 2nd he commenced to warble, and now he is getting on quite nicely, but he does not sing at night-time, only in the day, to keep the others company. I have quite a chorus sometimes in the bar; a Lancashire Canary, a Goldfinch, a Blackcap (who is coming into song nicely), and my Philomel. I also have a Pekin Robin who, if he lives till July, has been in my possession three years; he is a beauty. My Blackcap I have had for one year and nine months, and my Nightingale twelve months. I would not part with my birds for a great deal. I have bred several Yorkshire Canaries, and this year I'll try for some Goldfinch Mules. I wish Cage Birds every success; through its medium I procured my Pekin Robin and my Canaries.

Mrs. N. Johnson.

The Railway Tavern, Higham, Rochester.

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Oct. 12-13.—**Plymouth W.C.O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)
Oct. 14.—**Hanley C.B.S.**—(C. Beckett, 32, Hamilton-rd., Birkenhead, Hanley.) J.R.
Oct. 15-16.—**Warrington C.B.S.**—(H. Warburton, 73, Ellesmere Rd., Lower Walton, Warriugton.) H.W.B., G.L., J.D.L.
Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.**—(A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)
Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.
Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)
Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.
Oct. 26-28.—**London and P.O.S.**—(H. L. Huggins, 130, Myddleton Rd., Bowes Park, London.)
Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).
Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.
Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.)
Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.
Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Boldenhurst Rd.) H.N.
Nov. 13.—**Barnsley C.B.S.**—(E. Toulson, 102, Cope St.)
Nov. 19-20.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., H.W.B.
Nov. 19-20.—**Haltwhistle C.B.S.**—(Wm. Taffantyre, South View.)
Dec. 1-2.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingham.) J.R., J.H.R.
Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 7, Mordaunt Rd., The Avenue, Southampton.)
Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N., A.S., H.J.W.
Dec. 10-11.—**Gateshead C.B.S.**—(W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle).

Scotland.

Nov. 12-13.—**Glasgow C.B.S.**—(W. Hutchison, 167, Hospital Street.) W.G., J. M'L., W. M'M., C.M., A.W., M.C.
Nov. 20.—**Cowdenbeath C.B.S.**—(F. Baxter, 128, Union St.).

Club Reports.

ABERSYCHAN C.B.S.

Meetiug, April 3, Mr. W. T. Couch, The Aviaries, Freehold Land, Pontnewynydd, was appointed Sec. Next meeting April 24, at 6.30. Members kindly turn up to fix date of N.F. show and next open show, and other business. Headquarters, Queen's Hotel.—W. T. Couch, Sec.

READING C.B.S.

Meeting Palmer Hall, Mar. 7, before a poor attendance, and members are requested to try and attend more regularly. The only business brought forward was that Mr. Norman had been engaged to judge open show, Nov. 17. New members elected: Messrs. F. Wilson and A. Lovegrove.—O. C. Smith, Sec.

GLASGOW (East-End) O.A.

Meeting, March 23, 87, Old Dalmarnock Road, Bridgeton. Mr. A. M'Millan chair, and a fine attendance. Decided that the annual show in November be advertised in Cage Birds. Two new members were proposed and the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.—D. Burnett, Sec.

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, April 3, Lockhart's, Briggate, Mr. Walton in the chair. Decided to hold our next annual show Nov. 12, 13, our usual date. Club secretaries please note to avoid clashing. A long discussion in respect to rings took place, and it was noted a great improvement members having to pay their subs. before being entitled to receive any rings.—H. Best, Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Meeting Apr. 3, Lockhart's, Briggate, Mr. H. J. Mennard chair. Mr. Turner (Appleyard) was elected a member. Mr. W. A. Wilson gave a lecture on breeding and rearing in a very businesslike manner, answering satisfactorily no end of questions put to him. Vote of thanks to Mr. Wilson, who suitably responded, brought an interesting meeting to a close.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

SHETTLESTON C.B.C.

Meeting, Good Templars' Hall, April 10. Mr. E. Taylor, chair, supported by a good turn-out. Mr J Kirkwood was accepted a member. Classification for F.F. show fixed: Crests, 1 class; Nor. 4; Bord 4; Yorks. 2; Scotch Fancy 2; Mules 1; Hyb. 1, Hardbill 1; Softbill 1. Proposed for membership: Messrs. A. Graham, J. McLaren, D. Taylor, H. Cox and A. Frazer. Vote of thanks to chair terminated the meeting.—S. F. Wood, Sec.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting, Oldham Hall, Mr. J. Abbott, chair, and a fair attendance. The chief item was the election of judges for the annual show. Decided to have three sections, viz., champion, amateur, and novice (Canaries only). At our next meeting there will be lectures on Colour-feeding, by Messrs. J. W. Metcalfe and W. Jones. Friends are cordially invited.—T. R. Jones.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting Apr. 10, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, Mr. W. Cresswell chair. Messrs. J. G. Sanderson, Geo. Potts, J. Yetts, South Moor, and J. Williams, Annfield Plain, were elected members. Judge elected for young bird show, June 19, Mr. Alf. Holden (Gateshead). Judges for annual show, Oct. 30, Messrs. T. Dixon (Bedlington), Canaries; J. Maddison (Newcastle), British birds. Decided to leave stationery, etc., in secretary's hands; also that novice rule reads as it is in rule book.—G. F. Bates, Sec.

CAMBUSLANG C.B.A.

Meeting, Free Gardeners' Hall, April 3. Alex. Crawford, Pres., in the chair. Agreed to purchase a new cup to go annually for the best young Mule or Hybrid bred by a member. Also agreed to engage two judges for annual show, Nov. 6. A few judges' names were given to the secretary to write. New members proposed: J. Leighton, W. Davidson, J. Marshall. Next meeting, April 24, 7.30.—Sam Lindsay, sec.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting Apr. 8, Mr. Havenhand presiding. Unanimously decided to hold N.F. show as usual on June 26. The same schedule as last year was passed, except that four Green Yorks classes are added (two novice and two members). It was left in the president's hands to secure the same room as for the annual show if possible. Judges' grant, stewards, etc., were left over to the May meeting, when I trust members will make a point of attending. We made two more new members.—E. Johnson, Sec.

WEST OF SCOTLAND O.S.

Meeting, Nelson Temp. Hotel, Glasgow, Mr. W. Wood presiding over a good attendance. Classification for annual show was taken up. It was decided to revert back to old classification of 1913, and that no open classes be given. The following were nominated and have accepted appointments to judge: Nor., P.H. and Crests, Mr. F. Taylor, Glasgow; Bord. and Yorks., Mr. G. Hyslop, Stirling; Brit. and For., Mr. A. Livingstone, Paisley. Show to be held Grand National Hall, Nov. 27.—W. Hutchison, Sec.

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HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.

Meeting, Mr. J. Nicholson's, April 8. Mr. G. H. Bowerbank presided over a fair attendance. Correspondence was read from judges nominated as to their terms, and after a good deal of discussion the following gentlemen were unanimously elected: Mr. T. Arnot, Hawick, Borders; Mr. T. Dixon, Bedlington, Norwich and Yorks., and Mr. J. Maddison, Newcastle, British, Mules, etc. Arrangements for our first N.F. Show, July 3, will be made at next meeting, May 6, when we would like to see a large attendance. Subs. are now due, and sec. would be very pleased to receive same as early as possible to entitle subscribrs to show at N.F. shows.—Wm. Tallantyre, Sec.

ALTRINCHAM (Open) C.B.S.

Meeting, Apl. 7, Station Cafe, Mr. T. Harrison presiding over a fair attendance. Mr. J. Raynes gave a lecture on colour-breeding and colour-feeding, and the chairman introduced him to the meeting as an old fancier, who had past recollections of Altrincham. Various methods of colour-feeding were dealt with, and a good deal of discussion took place at the end of the paper, the questions which were asked being well answered by Mr. Raynes. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer, and Mr. Raynes thanked the members for their kind expression. Next meeting, Apl. 21, Station Cafe, at 8, "Construction and general management of the Border Canary," Mr. W. Bailey. A good attendance requested.—C. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting, Gardner's Restaurant, Apl. 7, A. Hudson presiding, with a fair turn-out, and a very interesting evening was spent. Balance sheet, 1914, was read, and shows a balance to the good of £6 1s. 5½d. Sec. intimated that the effort in reorganising the society was finished, and three new gentlemen had been added to the honorary list, Messrs. J. Winder, A. E. Docker, and J. Gilolert, which makes a splendid finish to the effort. The lecture given by the sec. was much appreciated. Members take note: Bro. W. Willison is going to give a lecture, entitled "How should a Novice be treated," which is sure to carry a great amount of interest, so rally up and receive the benefit of this lecture. Still enrolling new members.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Meeting and lecture, Amalgamated Musicians' Hall, Napiershall Street, 30th Mar., Mr. Gibb presiding over a good attendance. Members might kindly note that in future all monthly meetings will be held at above address on the last Tuesday of each month. After the usual business, Mr. Maxwell, of Partick, entertained us to a very interesting and instructive lecture on the "Norwich Canary," which was listened to very attentively, and many were the questions asked of and very ably and satisfactorily answered by the lecturer. Mr. Maxwell was awarded a very hearty vote of thanks. New members were admitted: J. Coombe, H. Pringle, A. Jardine. A very enjoyable evening was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chair.—John Houston, Sec.

NORTHERN NORWICH P.C.

Annual meeting April 10, Shields Cafe, Mr. J. W. Lawson presiding. New members elected: J. Bell, T. Taylor (Newcastle), H. Bird (Benwell), M. Turnbull (Gateshead), R. Proctor (Sunderland). Sec. presented the balance sheet, showing a balance in hand of £3 4s. 5½d., which was considered highly satisfactory. Officials were re-elected, with the exception of Mr. J. W. Lawson being elected chairman and Mr. H. Wellsbury vice-chair. Specials for 1915 were left over until a later meeting to see if the required number of shows are held. When societies apply for our patronage we wish them to bear in mind they must have at least two novice classes, and that we give preference where only specialist Norwich judges are engaged. We have fixed our first N.F. table show for June 16. Hearty invitation is given to fanciers to join us. Particulars on application.—F. W. Laidlow, Sec., 55, Colston Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Duke of York; Mr. F. J. Weaver presided over a good attendance. Sec. presented balance sheet, showing nearly £5 to the credit of the society. Officers were elected en bloc:—Mrs. Stayley Hill, pres.; Messrs. A. Bird, P. Morris, Christopher, A. Cupiss, J. A. Tonks, D. Tonks, Miss MacDougall, J. Woodhead, Max Horton, J. Baker, S. R. Rhodes, vice-presidents; Mr. F. J. Weaver, chair; R. Willoughby, vice-chair; Mr F. Garfield, treas.; W. Harrison, sec.; and J. Gibbons, Press corresp; committee, all the members; the latter we have found works very satisfactorily, as it puts a stop to all friction. Decided to leave the matter of the annual open show for a month or two. Mr. F. A. Loach was unanimously elected on the list of vice-presidents. The balance sheet of the Inter-Club Show, which was badly patronised by the societies concerned, shows a deficit of nearly £1 10s., to which sum Mr. F. A. Loach has given 6s.—J. Gibbons, Press Corresp.

BOOTLE C.B.S.

Meeting Apr. 6, headquarters, Mr. T. Evans chair and a large attendance. Two new members were nominated. Chairman and Sec. were elected to represent the society at Amalgamated C.B.S. meeting. Decided to hold two half-day N.F. shows—June 19 (judge, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe) and July 24 (judge, Mr. T. Rowlands). Mr. J. W. Metcalfe gave a few instructive hints on the breeding season, followed by a discussion, in which most of the members present took part. Meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Metcalfe.—A. E. Huyton, Hon. Sec.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Meeting, Apl. 6. The chief business was the reading of a paper by the sec., Mr. T. J. Hose, on egg-foods and soft-foods generally, and although it is hardly a subject which gives much scope for oratory, Mr. Hose managed to infuse into it a good deal of interest. At the conclusion he gave a demonstration of how he prepared egg-food for Canaries, which he did in a basin by first beating the hard-boiled egg with a fork, and afterwards adding powdered Osborne biscuits. He was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. At next meeting we shall make arrangements for annual outing, and consider the question whether an open show will be held this year. It is therefore to be hoped that the meeting will be well attended, so that we may have a variety of views regarding the open show question. If any member who cannot attend thinks he has a valuable contribution to give to the discussion, he should write either to me or to the sec.—A. R. Coe.

GLASGOW (West End) C.B.C.

Meeting and show of British birds, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, April 9, Mr. A. Hendry presiding over a good attendance. Prize cards and specials for British bird show of Mar. 12 were given out to winners. One new member enrolled, Mr. W. Allan. Specials were kindly given by Messrs. J. Young, G. McGown, J. Campbell, and G. G. Henderson. Entries were very much higher than in previous year, while type and quality were exceedingly fine, some grand birds being forward, and staged to perfection. Mr. A. Gillespie, Dennistown, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Bunting: 1, sp., 2, 3, Henderson; 4, Glass. Small Softbill: 1, Henderson. Large Brit.: 1, Henderson. For., including Goldf.: 1, Henderson; 2, sp., Glass; 3, sp., Allan. Dark Mule: 1, 4, Allan; 2, Glass; 3, Henderson. This show concludes the series of monthly table shows for the season, which have proved a great success, owing to the enthusiastic spirit of our members. We are endeavouring to arrange for something enjoyable and interesting at those meetings, when there is little or no business to be done. We have also secured the services of the following well-known judges for our annual show in November: Crests and Plainheads, Mr. A. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch. Bord. and Yorks., Mr. G. Hislop, Stirling. Mules, Brit. and For., Mr. R. V. Raine, Cathcart. Next meeting, May 14, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross, at 8.—George G. Henderson, Acting Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting, Apl. 7, Waterloo Hotel, Mr. W. G. Fellows, chair. Final arrangements made for British table show, May 5, the hon. sec., Mr. W. L. Page, offering prize for judging competition. Decided to hold annual outing in June at Lyndhurst Road, New Forest. Mr. W. G. Fellows gave a useful and interesting lecture on the Norwich Canary; he had brought some coloured plates of the Norwich 35 years old, and which dated from the time when he first started the fancy, showing the very great difference of type between then and the present. He brought no modern pictures, as the present type is well known to all from Mr. Norman's plates and drawings. After recounting some experiences of his early days he went on taking the bird in detail, pointing out what should be sought and what avoided, touching on head, breast, legs, wings, etc., and laying stress on a small beak, also on the need of good colour-feeding, pointing out how a well-coloured bird will take the popular eye, not to mention the judge's. He stated that it was important to introduce some green blood to improve colour, and to counteract the detrimental effect of in-breeding on the feathers; he did not favour the introduction of Cinnamon, on account of the liability to red eyes. In buying a bird at a show it was advisable to ascertain if it came of good stock, and a talk with the exhibitor might teach a lot. He advised members not to discard a good hen too early, if in good health and not overworked, he himself having bred good winners from a five year old hen. He considered the best young birds for breeding to be the cocks from early nests and hens from July nests, citing the case of Blackbirds and Thrushes, whose early nests are mostly cocks and late nests mostly hens. He ended by quoting from exhibitors' articles in CAGE BIRDS on various points. At the close of lecture Mr. Fellows answered a number of questions, after which a vote of thanks closed a very interesting and instructive evening.—G. J. Slade, Asst. Sec.

GLASGOW C.B.A.

Half-yearly meeting, Nelson's Tem. Hotel, Glasgow, Mr. J. F. Park, President, chair. There was a fair attendance. Decided to make all arrangements for annual show, on 12th and 13th Nov. Hall to be decided upon later. Classification was decided upon, and is as at last show. Prize-money, 30s. per class. The following were nominated as judges; and have accepted: Nor., Mr. W. Grewar, Forfar; Crests, Mr. Jno. M'Lay; Bord., Mr. W. McMillan, Dumfries; Yorks, Mr. C. Martin, Glasgow; Brit. and For., Messrs. Watson Edinburgh, and M. Craig, Tollcross. Vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting.—W. Hutchison, Sec.

S. WALES & MONMOUTHSHIRE FED. OF F. & F. SOCIETIES.

Third annual meeting, Brish Hotel, Swansea, April 5, Mr. E. Dendle chair, in the absence of Mr. D. A. S. Longden, who, we are sorry to say, was seriously ill. The points gained for the several cups were very much below those of last year, the present grave crisis having affected the holding of shows to a great extent. Sam Jones, jun., Llanelly won 3-guinea cage-bird cup with 207 points. Novice cup, presented by Mr. E. Dendle, was won by Messrs. Griffiths Bros., Cwmgeidd, with 90 points, subject to these points being verified. Officers elected: Pres., Mr. S. W. Thomas, Swansea; vice-chair, Mr. J. T. Prothero, Ammanford. The Executive Council were elected from representatives from the following societies: Abertillery, Cardiff, Llanelly, Mid-Rhondda, Mumbles, Neath, Pontypridd, Welsh United Tinplate, and Ystradgynlais. We were pleased to see a representative from Swansea C.B.S. in Mr. Hitchings (secretary). The following were the dates of some of the societies, a number as yet not having fixed same: Mumbles, Oct. 28; Swansea Cage Birds, Nov. 11 and 12; Abertillery, Nov. 12; Ammanford, Nov. 18; Neath, Nov. 25; Mid-Rhondda, Dec. 2; Swansea and District, Dec. 9; Welsh United Game Club, Dec. 16; Llanelly, Dec. 27; Old English Game Fowl Club, Jan. 6; Llanelly Cage Birds, Jan. 11. Decided that the affiliation fee should be paid in future on or before the end of July in each year, and that no fees be accepted after that date for that season. Societies are instructed in future to give out 8 award cards, which will include 4th and reserve (the 4th not necessarily to be prize money). The points will thus count 8 for 1st down to 1 for commended. Societies not yet affiliated can obtain all information by applying to the secretary, A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser Street, Macsycoed, Pontypridd. Medals are being presented to winners of last year's Federation cups.—A. A. G. McLucas.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

A Lecture on Seeds by Mr. Harrison.

Meeting held Apr. 6, Mr. A. E. Thorpe chair. Correspondence re F.F. show judges read; it was decided to accept Mr. Metcalfe's terms. Three persons were nominated for membership. The venue for annual open show, Nov. 12 and 13, was deferred to a later meeting. This concluding the business of the society, Mr. Harrison (of Altrincham) was invited to give his paper on "Seeds."

Speaking of stock seed, Mr. Harrison advised Turkish canary, which is very difficult to get at the present time, in preference to Spanish, with half rape. He warned fanciers to be very careful when buying seed in quantity to see that they were really buying seed and not husks. An easy method is to place one's hand deep down in the seed; when the hand is drawn out one will have a good idea whether it is all seed or part husks. Throw a handful of crushed oats into each cage once or twice a week during the winter months. Mr. Harrison expressed himself to be a great believer in sunflower seed for fattening, and would continue to give it during the moult. Maw seed is a good conditioner used sparingly, but it can be given too much, especially to young birds, making them go light. Gold of pleasure is also a good conditioner. A little inga seed during the winter for hens and every day during breeding season, tends to relieve egg binding. Mr. Harrison did not see why linseed should be advocated for putting a finish to the birds, as other seeds which contain much more nutriment can be used with advantage. Dandelion, given now and then during the winter, will have a marked effect. Milk and bread pudding containing bread crumbs, milk, and rice, seasoned and cooked to perfection, is a valuable dish to birds which are down or after travelling from the shows. Mr. Harrison said that the dish is so delicious that when fanciers come to his rooms there is not much left for the birds. A raw onion cut up and put between the wire for the birds to peck at, the speaker said, was a very good thing. Slip claws of young birds was caused by wire climbing; also Mr. Harrison deprecated the use of smooth perches, which had a tendency for the birds to slip. He rather preferred a square perch, with the top edges taken off and roughed with a saw in zig-zag fashion, which gave the bird, the hen in particular, a good hold. Questioned as to egg substitutes, Mr. Harrison said that it was a lazy fancier's habit to endeavour to shirk the hard boiled egg, as there was nothing to beat it. A very enjoyable paper and interesting evening came to a close with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Harrison, who had so ably and straightforwardly answered any question that had been put to him.—Thos. Hall, Press Corresp.

NORTHERN BORDER F.C.C.

Meeting April 7, Pillars Cafe, Pink Lane, Mr. A. Affleck presiding over a large attendance. The chairman, introducing Mr. Hutchinson, of Edinburgh, said we were always pleased to see visitors at the meetings, especially when coming from such a distance, and he was sure that the members would give him a welcome. This was accorded in a hearty manner. J. Blakey, Wrekenton, was elected a member. The challenge trophies not having been competed for this last season, a discussion took place as to who should hold them. It was agreed that they remain in the possession of Mr. J. Nicholson, Haltwhistle (1913 and 1914 winner). A motion was before the meeting that the conditions governing the competition for challenge trophies be altered, viz., that only the points from four highest birds at each show count. This was defeated, and the conditions remain as before. Mr. Johnstone gave a lecture upon the Green Border. The lecturer explained that owing to the demand of the Government upon his time he had not been able to prepare a paper, as he had intended doing, and would have to rely entirely upon his memory, but the masterly style in which he handled this subject convinced his audience that the lecture had not suffered from this omission. Mr. Johnstone emphasised the necessity of fanciers studying the model so as to obtain a true perception of the type required. He pointed out that the correct length of a Border is 5¾in., and it must be proportionately built, and is then by no means the skimpy bird that some imagine an exhibition Border to be. He also explained the use of Cinnamon blood in Green breeding, how and when to introduce this, also the results when this is abused. He told us his method of retaining lacings, etc. At the close of the lecture various questions were asked relating to pedigree and in-breeding, introduction of light blood into greens, and from what side, etc. The lecturer dealt with these in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. A vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer for his instructive address. Mr. Johnstone, in responding, said he was only too willing to help the club in any respect, and he incidentally remarked that he would sooner miss his dinner than a Northern Border meeting. Mr. Hutchinson (Edinburgh) also expressed his satisfaction and said he had thoroughly enjoyed the lecture. At next meeting, May 5, Mr. T. C. Crawhall has promised to address the meeting on Pedigree or Line Breeding. All fanciers are welcome.—C. Farrer, Hon. Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, Apr. 10, for three prizes; 1, Smith; 2, 3, W. Watkiss. Apr. 11 for three prizes; 1, Nelson; 2, Wainwright; 3, J. Watkiss. Linnet contest, Apr. 3, George and Dragon, Bridge Street; eight good prizes were sung for, and some good singing was done. Open sing Apr. 4 for three good prizes.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Apr. 10; 27 entered for three prizes, four minutes time singing; 1, Nelson, 151; 2, Scottson, 138; 3, Beard, 122. Open sing Apr. 11; 1, Pugh, 94; 2, Morley, 72; 3, Beard, 68. Some good singing was done. Mr. Nelson's old champion is coming into his old form again. Pleased to see Mr. Scottson getting amongst the prizes. Biggest breaks this week:—Beard, 50; Scottson, 40; Pugh, 38.—S. Pugh, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing Apr. 10; 32 birds entered for three good prizes. 1, Plows; 2, Atkinson; 3, Wallis, who also tied with Cooper for largest break. Tappers, A. Bath and J. Cooper. Timekeepers, R. Collinson and A. Tomlin, who was home on a furlough, and it was a treat to see one of our soldier members timekeeping. A singing match was held after contest, W. Perkin beat A. Cooper. Now, you time singers, open contest, Saturday, Apr. 24, 3 p.m.—R. Plows, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Open Linnet sing, Apr. 4 for four prizes; the singing was very good. Timer, Mr. Shepherd; A. Wareing, chalker. 1, Jones, 4min. 8secs.; 2, Cawthorne, 3.17; 3, Hardman, 3.11; 4, Coles, 2.55. Jones and Cawthorne sang again for a prize same day; Jones, 4min. 9secs.; Cawthorne, 3.9. Apr. 10; 1, Jones, 4.6; 2, 3, Coles, 3.51 and 3.36. Apr. 11; 1, 2, Jones, 4.48 and 4.36; 3, Cawthorne, 3.51; 4, Hardman, 3.5; 5, Coles, 1.24.—Hardman, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Apr. 3; 1, 2, Whigfield; 3, Playford. Judges, P. Madden, A. Lorriman. Apr. 4, 19 birds; 1, Hargreaves; 2, Whigfield; 3, Jarrow & Banfield shared. Apr. 5, 18 entered; the singing was very good. 1, Parkinson, "Dark Horse"; 2, Wright; 3, Playford. Judges, P. Madden, C. Lorriman. Timekeeper, A. Lorriman. Apr. 10, 16 birds; 1, Whigfield; 2, Hayes; 3, Playford. Judges, C. Lorriman, Jim Chippdale. Apr. 11, 22 birds; 1, Banfield; 2, 3, Whigfield; 4, Lorriman. Judges, P. Madden, C. Lorriman. Timekeeper, N. Soloman.—A. Bryan, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A. Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Rd. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, April 2. 14 birds sang for three prizes: 1, Chippindale; 2, Buttery; 3, Farrar. Judges, Lacy, Wood. April 3, 25 sang: 1, Richardson; 2, Gomersal; 3, G. Hirst. Judges, Lacy, Naylor, Crane. April 4, 31 sang for 4 prizes: 1, Richardson; 2, Hirst; 3, Chippindale; 4, Stead. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor. Whit-Monday, 21 sang: 1, Gomersal; 2, 3, shared by T. Johnson, Parker. Judges, Jennings, Naylor, Crane. Extra contest, same date, 19 birds sang: 1, Spedding; 2, Ward; 3, shared by Lacy and Gomersal. Judges, Jennings, Naylor, Hayes. April 6, 18 sang: 1, G. Hirst; 2, T. Johnson; 3, shared by Towers and Ward. Judges, Crane, Wood, Naylor. Quality singing, Apr. 10; 18, sang for three prizes; 1, Richardson; 2, Ward; 3 shared by Ward and G. Hirst. Judges, Jennings, Naylor, Crane. Apr. 11; 24 sang for four prizes; 1, Richardson; 2, Ward; 3, T. Johnson; 4, Ward. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor, Buller.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

F. T.—Replied to by post.

NOT YET NESTING (Ruth).—You should have said how you are feeding the birds. It may be that they need a little feeding up, but, as you say they have been together some time, the probability is that you mated them before they were really in breeding condition, which is always a great mistake. Try feeding up a little, as follows, and then if you exercise a little patience until the spring gets a little more certain, you will doubtless find them set to work in more earnest. In addition to the seed diet give to each pair of birds every second day a small teaspoonful of egg food with about half the quantity of a mixture of equal parts gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternating days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Also give a small growing stool of dandelion daily to each pair—that is the whole root cut off just below the ground, with leaves, blooms and seed heads entire.

PICKS OUT FEATHERS (Mrs. E. M. Prace).—You should have said how you feed and treat the bird generally. Examine the cage well for the presence of red mites, and if any are found take the necessary steps to exterminate them, as you may have seen many times lately in these replies. If no insects are found give the bird a morsel of bread the size of a hazel nut sopped in cold milk, and slightly dusted with flour of sulphur every second day for a week or so, and on the alternate days add 20 drops of fluid magnesia to the drinking water. Give a little green salad—dandelion, watercress, chickweed or groundsel—daily, and allow the bird to bathe freely.

TO ENSURE FERTILITY (Novice, W.D.S.).—If both birds are in good breeding condition when mated the eggs may reasonably be expected to be fertile after a period of from 30 to 40 hours has elapsed—or, say, birds put together in the afternoon of one day, an egg laid on the morning of the second day after may be expected to be fertilised, that is allowing one clear day between putting the birds together and the deposition of the egg. At the same time birds may be together for weeks and still produce only infertile eggs. Individuals vary to great extremes in this respect.

MAKES SNEEZING NOISE (H. W.).—(1) The bird may be suffering with only a slight cold, or it may be incipient asthma. I cannot say more definitely without more particulars than you give. Add to its diet every second day for a week a morsel of sponge cake the size of a hazel nut with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre. See that it is kept free from direct cold draughts. If not well in a fortnight or so, please write again and give full particulars about it, and I will advise you further. (2) It is not wise to breed with a bird in this condition. Better wait and see if it quit. recovers before mating it. (3) Answered in No. 1.

ASTHMA AND BOOK (D. G.). (1) See that the bird is kept in a bright and healthy place, and quite free from direct cold draughts, fumes of burning lights in the evenings, and a dusty, irritating atmosphere. Having done so, treat the bird the same as advised to "H. W. (1)" in this issue, except that you should first give an aperient in the water for three consecutive days six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence. Then go on with the mixture advised in that reply, with the addition of five drops of tincture of lobelia. (2) The Nutshell booklet, No. 6, 2½d. post free, from our Manager, is a cheap and useful book on the treatment of Canary ailments. Part VI. of "Our Canaries" treats the subject more fully, and is cheap enough if you can get the single part. Possibly something still better may appear soon.

TO PREVENT HENS LAYING (Hendonian). Beyond feeding the birds on a plain, wholesome diet, and avoiding any highly stimulating foods, I do not advise you to attempt any special treatment to prevent the hens you do not wish to mate from laying. It is not unlikely that they will lay an egg now and again, or may even lay a full clutch in succession the same as if they were mated, but this will not necessarily have the least harmful effect, and you need have no fear that they "will not know when to stop." All you need do is to just throw the eggs out if, and when, they appear. Keep the cocks caged separately, and the hens in a large flight cage, or two in a flight cage, and give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. Give just a pinch of summer rape three times a week, and the least scrap of bread and milk once or twice a week, according to the condition of the birds, during the summer months. Give a little green food daily, but avoid dandelion, and use instead watercress, chickweed or groundsel. Allow free bathing. This is all you really need to do. There is very little fear of the hens, if in a normally healthy condition, exhausting themselves by continuous laying, as you fear. Glad you have found our previous advice useful to you.

WHICH RAPE? (Anxious).—Practically German rape is only an old term for what is now more generally called Summer rape, to distinguish it from the larger and more acrid seed known as winter rape, and sometimes as charlock or wild mustard. The summer rape is a smaller and more reddish seed, of a more mild flavour, and is the one that is used for feeding Rollers. It is supposed to have a considerable effect in keeping the song of the birds low and free from harshness, or from too loud and excitable a delivery.

STOPPED SINGING (Disappointed). — It is not very unusual for a cock in full song and good breeding condition to cease singing when placed with the hen, and yet, if left alone, to breed quite successfully. This might have been the case with your birds, had you left things to take their own course. But considering what you say about the condition of the hen, I should strongly advise you to give up thinking of breeding with her, as she is obviously not in a fit condition to breed, and would probably only bring you disappointment. Get a healthy, vigorous 1914 hen, that is full of activity and anxious to nest, hang the cage with the cock in beside the one in which you have the hen in such a position that he can see her, and sing to and feed her. Feed both as you will see in the handbook you have, and after a few days you will doubtless find him taking a close interest in her, and calling her to be fed with tit-bits, etc. Then you may put them together; supply nesting material a day or two later; and let matters take their own course, when you will find things work out all right in the end. If the cock stops singing when placed with the hen do not worry; it will be of very little or no importance.

HENS REARING YOUNG (Miss Snow).—Yes, certainly, a hen will bring up the young without the assistance of the cock, in some cases even better than when he is left with her. In running two hens with one cock, however, you made a slight mistake in allowing the cock to remain with the last hen. You ought to have removed him when they began to sit, and caged him alone until the hens were ready to begin nesting again for their second broods. By doing so you always have the cock available for return to any hen that may be ready for him first, and the hens can generally be trusted to bring up the young quite successfully by themselves.

SINGS LIKE LINNET (J. F. P.).—If the song of the buff bird, which you think so Linnet-like, is short and broken, there is a certain amount of probability that it is a hen. Otherwise, it is doubtless merely a variety of song, which the bird has evolved out of extraneous sounds and songs it may have heard. Some Canaries are much more addicted to picking up notes and corrupting their own song than others. I have myself a trained Roller, which, from association with a Linnet, has a song which could scarcely be distinguished from a Linnet's, if the bird were not seen singing. The indistinct marking of the feathers seen in the sunlight has nothing whatever to do with it. I do not see any reason to suspect that the bird is other than a pure Canary, if that is what you are dubious about.

SITS VERY THICK (J. Smith, Birmingham).—There may be nothing more seriously wrong than a little overfeeding and constipation, in which case there is no reason why it should not be quite fit to breed from this season. Try what the effect of the following treatment will be in two or three weeks, and if not quite well in that time, please write again and give full particulars of its condition. In addition to the staple diet of canary and summer rape, give a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut slightly dusted with soft sugar every second day, and on the alternate days give half-a-teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, linseed and black rape. Give a little green food daily, watercress, or the tips of young growing groundsel for preference. In the drinking water, every second day for a week, add six drops of syrup of buckthorn, and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and after this give instead five drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for another week.

CAUSE OF CLEAR EGGS (R. V.).—The cause of the eggs being clear is not far to seek in your case. There were two causes, each of which was in itself sufficient to account for the infertility: mating the birds too soon, and the cock going into moult. As the cock is now through the moult, there is no reason why you should not succeed better with them in the next round if the hen is still in good condition. In addition to the staple seed diet, give, every second day for a week or two, a small teaspoonful of egg food, with about half this quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame seed mixed in it, and on the alternate days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Give also a small stool of growing young dandelion daily—cut the root off just below the ground, and give it to the birds entire. You may mate them again in two or three weeks, according to their apparent condition.

NOT SITTING (W. C.). The hen is not really in proper breeding condition, and you can do nothing but exercise a little patience, when she will doubtless settle down in better earnest. It will help to bring her forward if you treat her in the same way as advised to "R.V." in this issue, for two or three weeks, or it will do no harm to continue this treatment until she has gone to nest and laid her clutch of eggs. If she does not soon settle down with this treatment, you would be well advised to discard her and fill her place with a healthy young hen.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); Rouse's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); Rouse's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abertillery C.B.S.—Apl. 24, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. To decide date and classes for show.—H. H. Mortimer.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Apl. 20, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom, Chapel Street Entrance, 8. Lecture by Mr. Barker Clegg, entitled "Straight talk on the Norwich Plainhead." Fanciers and friends invited.—J. Spencer.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Apl. 21, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. Discuss details of ramble and lecture on "Construction and General Management of Border Canary," by Mr. W. Bailey.—C. Bailey.

Beamish C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Bird Inn, 7. Final selection of judge for annual show; fanciers wishing to become members should attend.—J. H. Elliot.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Apl. 20, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Fixing dates and selecting judges for young and old bird shows.—G. Morton.

Bedlington C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Turk's Head Hotel, 7. General business. New members enrolled.—T. H. Thompson.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Social Club, 6.30. Business important; members must attend.—H. Seely.

Burnhope C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Coll Inn, 7. Date of show judges, etc. New members please come to meeting.—J. W. Robson.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Apl. 24, Foresters Arms, 7.30. Hens must be booked at this meeting.—J. Stirling.

City of Dundee C.B.S.—May 5, Doig's Rooms, 8. A paper on British birds by a member.—A. Law.

Coventry O.S.—Apl. 21, 8.30, Headquarters, Sydenham Palace. Business important.—A. Green.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—May 1, Gothenburg, 6.30.—F. Baxter.

Cinnamon Marked Y.C.C.—Apl. 24, Market Tavern, Bradford, 6. Annual general meeting; election of officers, balance sheet, and other business.—R. Garnett, sen.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Apl. 19, Headquarters, 8. General business and arrangements for future fixtures, N.F. show, etc.—J. Alderslade.

East Ham F.S.—Apl. 17, Headquarters, Earl of Wakefield. First monthly show, 5 till 9. Presentation of medals, etc., at 8. Admission free; Visitors welcome.—W. A. Harwood.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Black Swan, 6. Members' show; birds staged 6.30. Judge, Mr. T. Kendrew.—A. Walton.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Apl. 20, Cairns Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Business as usual; old and new members specially invited; question night.—J. C. Charlton.

Fife C.B.L.—Apl. 24, Gothenburg, Coaltown of Wemyss, 6. Show and general business.—J. Cordery.

Garston Bird B.A.—April 21, Club Room, 8. British bird show.—R. T. Mulloch.

Great Horton O.S.—Apl. 17, Station Hotel, 7. Special meeting; prize-money and balance sheet.—A. W. Hartley.

Huddersfield O.S.—Apl. 17, Headquarters, 7. Closing of the guarantees for F.F. show, also to decide whether we hold an open show.—A. Lawford.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Classes formed for F.F. show.—G. Vipond.

Ilkeston C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Victoria, Awsworth-rd., 7.30. Paying ticket money in and other important business.—Geo. Siddown.

Jarrow Hebburn C.B.S.—April 22, Victoria Hotel, 7.30. Reorganisation of club and election of officers.—W. Ayers.

Kirkby-in-Ashfield F.A.—Apl. 17, "Waggon and Horses," 7. Monthly show; A.V. Canary and Brit. Ward and Sharley.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Important matters, and to close accounts of late show so as to have the books audited. D. John.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Apl. 17, Volunteer Inn, George-st., Oldham, 6.30. General business; also trophies.—J. Rukin.

Linton and Woodhorn C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Social Club, 7. Selection of judge; new members enrolled.—D. Reavley.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Apl. 20, White Swan, 8. Management of breeding-room, by Mr. E. H. Hulse.—A. Freestone.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Apl. 17, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse St., E.C., 8. Important business.—W. Gilbert.

Manchester and N. Counties O.S.—Apl. 19, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Lecture on "The Diseases of Cage Birds," by Mr. J. W. Cutmore, Liverpool Museum; friends invited.—F. Wilkinson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Apl. 20, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Important business. New members invited.—A. Colley.

Plymouth W.C.O.S.—Apl. 20, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley St., 8. Paper on "The Yorkshire Canary," by a breeder. Special invitation to visitors.—W. Luscombe.

Pelton Fell C.B.S.—Apl. 24, Colliery Inn, 6. Election of officers, judges for shows, dates of shows, and revision of schedules.—J. Robinson.

Swansea C.B.S.—Apl. 17, Mansel Hotel, 7.30. Arrangements for F.F. show, etc. Rees and Hitchings.

St. James-the-Less (Bethnal Green) F.A.—Apl. 19, Headquarters, 8.30. Discussion, "The Annual Show from a business point of view." Please come for year books, which are ready. Very important meeting.—F. E. Adams.

Welsh National C.B.S.—April 26, Carlton Hotel, Queen Street, 7. General business and presentation of balance sheet. Hearty invitation to all fanciers of Wales and Monmouthshire.—W. Sampson.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—April 20, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Fixing dates for N.F. shows. Shield on view.—W. G. Andrews.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Apl. 19, 6, The Broadway, Wimbledon, 8. Mr. J. Robson will lecture on "The Value of green blood." Visitors heartily welcome.—G. Griffiths.

Walkden Roller Society.—Apl. 20, Stocks Hotel, 7.30. Important business.—E. Hibbert.

West Stanley Empire F.F. and C.B.S.—Apl. 18, Club Room, 6.30. Replies from judges; balance sheet from Pens Committee.—R. Hutchinson.

MOPY YORKSHIRE HEN (Disappointed).—Sorry, but I must say that I think your prospects of breeding with this hen are absolutely nil. Therefore, the best advice I can give you is to get a vigorous, active 1914 hen in good health and anxious to nest to mate with the six-year-old cock. If you wish to treat this hen, give, every third day for a month or so, in addition to the usual seed diet, half-a-teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the intervening days give first half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, teazle, black rape and broken groats, and next a pinch of equal parts gold of pleasure and maw. Give a little green food daily—dandelion, for preference. Every second day for a week add to the water six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and after this give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food three times a week for a month. See that it is not exposed to direct cold draughts or extremes of heat and cold. Let the staple diet consist of three parts canary to one part summer rape.

A PANTING YORKSHIRE (Panting Canary).—Treat the bird the same as advised to "Disappointed" for a "Mopy Yorkshire Hen" in this issue, and be careful to see that it is not exposed to draughts, rapid extremes of temperature, or heated and unhealthy fumes from burning lights in the evenings, and instead of the Chemical Food to finish up the treatment, give five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for two or three weeks as may seem necessary.

A SOLITARY EGG (T. T. G.). The hen was probably not in proper breeding condition when first mated, but now the spring is getting more established she will doubtless soon settle down in a more businesslike fashion. Meantime you may treat her the same as advised to "R.V." in this issue and hunt out for her special benefit young stools of dandelion with a good supply of seed and flower heads on them. Mate her again when she has been on this treatment about a week, but continue the treatment until she has gone to nest. I do not think anything more will be necessary.

A FUTILE ATTEMPT (First Try). If the hen has no particular features which you specially desire to cultivate in your stock, I would certainly advise you to discard her altogether as a stock bird. It is doubtful if she will ever be a trustworthy breeder, and in the absence of any specially valuable features she is not worth the trouble of trying to save the eggs to be hatched and reared by other hens. You may, if you wish, try the effect of a fortnight or so on the treatment advised to "R.V." in this issue and the mating her with a spare cock you can leave with her during the period of incubation and rearing of the young if you are so lucky as to get any from her. The season being more advanced, she may possibly behave better, but if she fails again in the same way, do not waste time in giving her another chance.

A POOR BEGINNING (Veriest Novice). If you carefully digest the handbook "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which you say you have, you will see that you are simply courting failure in your treatment of both the birds. (1) Being kept in a window in a wire cage after being accustomed to a box cage in a birdroom is the cause of this bird's condition. It would be utterly useless trying to breed with it whilst in this condition. Remove it to a position further in the room, and see that it is free from cold direct draughts, rapid extremes of temperature, and fumes of burning lights in the evenings. In addition to the staple of plain canary seed, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Give a little green food daily. Add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea to the water for three consecutive days, and afterwards five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia and sweet spirit of nitre, every second day for a fortnight or three weeks as may seem necessary. (2) No, it is not the slightest use expecting any result from the cock you mated which has been dropping feathers all the winter and still continues dropping them. He is utterly out of breeding condition, which is the reason why he takes no notice of the hen. Feed the same as No. 1, with a staple of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In the water give 20 drops of a mixture made by dissolving half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron in an ounce of sherry, and adding a teaspoonful of glycerine. Give this two days in every three until some little time after the feathers have ceased dropping. You may just as well separate them whilst giving this treatment, as it is quite useless keeping them together until the cock is in better condition.

DEAD CANARY (Canadian Reader). It is not possible to state cause of death from your simple statement that the bird seemed one day mopish and sick and the next day "handed in his cheque." Only a post-mortem examination could decide. The book for which you enquire is in course of reprinting, and the new supply may arrive any day. The Canadian stamps you forwarded are not negotiable here. If you could kindly manage to send a coin in lieu of them, we would return the stamps with the book.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

DO NOT AGREE (Blackpool). The fact of your Goldfinch and hen Canary not getting on well together is no doubt caused through one of them not being fit for breeding. Your remedy is to part them for a time. If you have a two-compartment breeding cage, put one bird in each compartment; if not, keep them in separate cages for a time. You say the Goldfinch is in full song, so it is just possible that all he will need is practically the same treatment as you have been giving him. Let the hen have a spoonful of mixed seed twice a week, and a little egg food three times a week, also supply a fresh dandelion leaf or a little chickweed daily. You could also give the Goldie just a morsel of the egg food twice a week. Fasten a piece of string on the front bar of the cage, and when you see the hen tugging it about, and bouncing from perch to perch, repeatedly calling, try them together again, when you will no doubt find they will agree better.

RUNNING GOLDIE AND HEN CANARY TOGETHER (H.P.).—You need not put your birds together permanently. If you let them occupy the same cage occasionally, or better still, put them in a double breeder that has a wire partition, it will do admirably. They would get used to each other, and most likely strike up a friendship that would prevent quarrelling in March when you put them together for breeding purposes. The hen does not require the Finch mixture during the winter; it would probably bring her on to nest too early.

COCK OR HEN? (Birdie).—If your Goldfinch is a cock bird he should certainly be singing now; if not, I fear it is a member of the opposite sex. The cock Goldfinch, as a rule, has a larger blaze than the hen, and it extends well past the eye at the top; his beak is stouter, and the head somewhat bolder and flatter at the crown. The wing butts are greenish black; in the hen these are inclined to take a brownish tinge. If you have only the one bird, I fear these notes on the differences in plumage will not be of much use to you, but, as I intimate above, a cock bird should now be in song, or anyway commencing.

MULE LOSING FEATHERS (A. R. Rhodes).—According to your description I should think your bird is infested with insects, and it is these that are making him mopy. You had better examine him, and if you find any give him a good hand washing or dress him with insect powder, then roll him up in a strip of cloth for about 10 minutes, repeating every three days until quite free from them. The cage should be thoroughly scrubbed and cleaned, or better still a new one brought into use. Feed the bird well with a little extra maw and hemp seed, and give a small teaspoonful of Chemical Food in his drinking water three times a week. Boil the water first or it will not mix.

MOPY GOLDFINCH (Cat).—I am glad to hear the treatment advised has done good. You had better continue the same occasionally, and as it appears to me that it suffers from constipation the salts should also be used now and again. A piece of sweet apple would be beneficial, or a smashed grape, if he will eat it, until you are able to get a supply of green food, which should do him good. If still in trouble, try the following: ½ teaspoonful of tincture of rhubarb and tincture of gentian, in two tablespoonfuls of water. Give it to him daily for 3 or 4 days, then wait a week and repeat if necessary. (2) Cutting the feathers around the vent of British birds just before the breeding season is not necessary. There is a great difference in the quantity of feather on a Canary and a British bird. If you handle them both and blow up the feathers you will see the difference, and be able to understand why it is necessary in some Canaries to reduce this by clipping.

HYBRID BREEDING IN AVIARY (Bad Appetite).—When the milder weather comes your Thrush would do well with a few hours in the open. It seems to cheer them up wonderfully, and you certainly get more song out of them. (2) You would have too many cock birds to do any good in your aviary in the way of breeding. You could not turn in more than one Bullfinch hen, as they are rather quarrelsome among themselves. You could try hens of the other Finches, such as Linnet, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Siskin, Twite, and Redpoll, and leave enough cock Canaries to mate with them. If you put up plenty of nest boxes and keep them well supplied with building material, you will be almost certain to breed something. Of course, your difficulty would be in rearing them, as British bird hens are not to be relied upon, and most hybrid breeders

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have a few common Canary hens to put the eggs under. You will have some cock Canaries to spare out of your eleven, so that if you procure mates for them you could transfer the eggs as they are laid.

HYBRID BREEDING (Oakleigh).—As a rule hybrid breeding is more successful when carried on in cages than when the birds are flying loose in an aviary, but at the same time if you do not overcrowd you may meet with a certain amount of success. Of the birds you mention for breeding the Bullfinch and Chaffinch could very well be omitted, as they are not always a success with Canaries. You could run the half-dozen hens with the remainder of the cocks. They would do nicely in an aviary 8 or 10 feet long. If you decided to pair them up in cages they would do near the other Canaries, providing they were not constantly in sight.

WHAT BIRD (Rob. Mackie).—By your description and the place in which you see the bird, I think it must be the Dipper, or, as it is sometimes called, the Water Ouzel. It has a blackish brown head, dark grey back, white chest, and the lower part brown. Possibly you did not get into a position to be able to see his white chest, which is quite a distinguishing feature. He is a good songster, having a very sweet low warble, and will sometimes sing even in the middle of winter, in most severe weather. The Kingfisher is a much more gorgeously-coloured bird, with quite a long beak, and I feel certain your bird is not one; besides he has no song.

AILING GOLDFINCH (J. K. D.).—Your Goldfinch is certainly not doing well, and I do not think your treatment has been quite right. Do not force him to eat canary seed, few Goldies care much about it, and will almost starve if made to eat it. Hang his cage in a room with a fairly even comfortable temperature, not hot, nor quite cold. If he still has stomach trouble give ten drops of syrup of rhubarb in the drinking water; see that it moves him freely, and then discontinue. Feed on soaked seeds mostly, and every other day a cube of bread soaked in hot milk. As he gets better gradually work him on to his usual seed diet. While on soaked seeds give a fairly liberal allowance of maw, and, later, dandelion, thistle, niger, and a little cracked hemp. When he begins to look in better health the following tonic would do good: Aromatic sulphuric acid, tincture of gentian, and calumba root, in equal quantities. Give 5 drops in a teablespoonful of water for 4 or 5 days, then rest a week, and repeat.

FEEDING A TREE PIPIT (E. W. Satchwell).—As a caged bird the Tree Pipit must be classed on pretty much the same level as the small Warblers, although it is not so tender as some of them, but is more delicate than, say, a Skylark. It is quite a nice songster, its song partaking somewhat of the Canary and Skylark's, and, what is of equal importance, it is a pretty continuous singer. Its food should consist of a good brand of insectile food, made crumbly moist with scrap of raw carrot, boiled potato, chopped lettuce, etc.; occasionally a little hard-boiled egg should be minced up and mixed with it, but do not be too liberal with the egg, as these birds are inclined to put on fat. An occasional mild aperient will do them no harm. In addition to the above food they should have some live insects, small caterpillars, flies, maggots, mealworms, etc. A few live ants' eggs during the summer months are very much appreciated. If you are interested in Softbills you should procure the Softbill part 2 of the British Bird Manual from this office, 1/4 post free, or our "Nutshells" Nos. 25 and 26, 2½d. each.

PRECOCIOUS HEN GOLDFINCH (J. Adams).—It is certainly most unusual for a hen Goldfinch to lay eggs so early as February, they are generally rather late breeders, even when in a state of Nature. I am afraid you must be feeding her very highly and keeping her in a particularly warm room. Why not procure a mate for her, say a Greenfinch or Linnet. You might possibly manage to breed some good Hybrids.

BULLFINCH BALD (Thank You).—I am afraid there is something very wrong in the way you are feeding your Bullfinch. Do not give tattening or stimulating seeds. Let his stock food be three parts canary, two parts teazle, and one part summer rape, and a few sunflowers two or three times a week. Soak some of the above seeds and give him a spoonful daily, and be liberal with green food and fruit, particularly apple or others containing acids. For local treatment a little carbolized vaseline is as good as any, but cleanliness and attention to diet is of great importance.

FEEDING A GOLDFINCH (P.E.W.).—As you are a beginner in bird-keeping I would advise you to purchase our "Nutshell" Booklet on the Goldfinch, price 2½d. by post from this office. It will give you a lot of information that will be useful to you. The following is a good seed diet for your bird:—Teazle 4 parts, canary 3 parts, hemp 2 parts, linseed and summer rape ½ part of each. This will be his staple food. Give half-a-dozen sunflower seeds every other day. Lightly crack them for him if he is unable to shell them himself. Make another mixture of niger seed 3 parts, maw 1 part, and another of thistle 3ozs., daudelion and sesame, 2ozs. each, lettuce, gold of pleasure, and cornflower 1oz. each. Give a small teaspoonful of these mixtures on alternate days. In addition to this seed diet he should have several kinds of wild seeds, particulars of which you will obtain from the little book mentioned above.

BREEDING LINNET MULES (E. B. Walt).—Yes, you can breed Linnet Mules in your aviary, but I am not certain if you will find the Linnet take to both of the hens, for as a rule he will only mate with one. Anyway, you can let him fly with both of them, and if you find he is vicious with one of the hens after the other has gone to nest you must remove her and leave him with the one bird only. Continue to feed them on seed as usual, and once a week give a spoonful of mixed seeds for each hird and a little egg and biscuit weekly; of course, not on the same day you are giving the mixed seeds. Feed like this, with a spray of greenfood occasionally, until the hens show signs of wanting to go to nest, which they do by flying from perch to perch, flapping the wings, and calling repeatedly. When the Linnet is ready, which you can tell by his beak becoming a dark blue grey and his being in full song, give them a couple of nest boxes or pans, and plenty of nesting material, when one of them will probably soon build a nest and lay. The eggs take thirteen to fourteen days to hatch, and the old ones should then be regularly supplied with hard-boiled egg and bread crumbs or biscuit to rear the young ones.

GOLDFINCH MULE WITH FIT (R. Etterby).—Your Mule had a fit, probably caused by wrong feeding, but as you do not tell me what you are giving him I am unable to point out your error. Discontinue stimulating or fattening foods, such as hemp, linseed, and maw, and feed on a plainer diet, consisting of canary 4 parts, teazle 2 parts, summer rape 1 part. Also supply him with a spray of watercress, chickweed, or groundsel every other day, and let him bathe freely. Give him an aperient at once; as much Glauber Salts as will cover a sixpence dissolved in two tablespoonsful of water. Repeat the dose in 3 days.

BREEDING WITH SISKINS (Novice H.K.).—You would do better and have a greater chance of being successful if you tried with your cock Siskin and one hen only. Choose the most healthy-looking and sprightly of the hens and let them fly together away from the others. In the early part of April supply them with a nesting box or pan, or an old bird's nest fixed in a handful of rough branches, and plenty of nesting material, such as moss, cow-hair, wool, etc. If the hen builds and lays in the nest these should be removed and dummy ones put in the nest or the cock bird might destroy them. You should have a hen Canary to place the eggs under to incubate and rear, as British hens cannot be depended upon to do so. If you intend to let them try themselves, put a dummy egg in the nest before the hen lays; the cock will get used to this and possibly not interfere with the genuine article. In this case do not remove the eggs or disturb them in any way.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

PORTUGUESE NAME (G. C. G.).—I regret that I have as yet been unable to find you the Portuguese vernacular you require, but hope to do so for our next issue, and trust this will not be too late for you.

COCKATIELS AND BUDGERIGARS (F.Z.S.).—Yes, old and young Cockatiels could be left together for the whole of this year, or till you see plumage beginning to change. Once this has taken place you will have a difficulty in telling one from the other. The same applies to the Budgerigars, but as these assume adult plumage much quicker, the only reliable way of being sure of retaining the parent birds is to ring them. This can easily be done now, before they begin breeding, by using the aluminium rings, which can be stretched open and then pinched together round the leg. This is the only safe way with Budgerigars, the alternative being to remove the young to another aviary as soon as they are able to fend for themselves. Budgerigars are not safe with Finches, and young Budgies are often more mischievous in such company than adult birds.

AILING GREY PARROT (J. A. R.). If you have not been doing so you should supply this bird with some proper Parrot grit (mingle a little with the seed) and do not give her unshelled walnuts. Supply these shelled. Give her the following as a drink for two or three weeks: One teaspoonful condensed milk, one-third of a teaspoonful cod liver oil emulsion, and about two tablespoonfuls of boiling water. Stir well together. Supply to the bird when cool. Take away the drinking water overnight and supply the milk mixture first thing next day, leaving it in the cage all the morning. Supply clean water in the afternoon. Give ten drops of syrup of buckthorn in the drinking water; give several doses, but you must stop for a time if the voidings become watery-loose. Then, as soon as the bowels are normal, give occasional doses as a diver corrective. The bowels should be kept rather on the loose side. If necessary, give occasional doses of fluid magnesia to secure this, but I do not think it will be required. I should increase the supply of fruit, it can have as much as it cares to eat of apple and banana. Report progress in two or three weeks.

WHAT DOVE? (A. M. C.).—Your birds are not from Argentine, but from Tropical and South Africa. They are Cape Doves (*Æna capensis*), also known as Masked and Harlequin Doves. Doves are easily scared, and it is evident they get some bad night scare, which causes the shedding of the feathers. Doves are not really cage birds, and their tails get broken and damaged owing to the limitations of the cage. Could you not let these birds have their liberty about the room? They would then soon recover condition. If you fixed up a twiggy branch in one corner where both sun and light can reach, they would spend most of their time there and not make much mess about the room, especially if you had a seed tray (shallow box), with a pan of seed standing in the middle swinging from the ceiling near by. A little peat moss litter underneath the twiggy branch would catch and absorb the droppings, and these would be easily gathered up periodically. Give them a piece of rock salt, cuttlebone, and a mixture of canary and white millet seed. They will also eat small worms and slugs. The species is a very shy breeder in captivity. The best book on Doves is 'My Foreign Doves and Pigeons,' by Miss Rosie Alderson, which is published at 4/6, I think. The Editor would procure it for you.

"AUSTRALIAN LOVE BIRD"? (Love Birds).—If your bird is a Budgerigar, which I assume it is, though you give me no clue save "Australian," you can keep it singly. It will not pine away, and as

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it becomes quite tame you can give it a little liberty about the room on suitable occasions. Supply plenty of seeding and flowering grass as soon as you can get it, but it must neither be tainted with frost nor sodden with wet. If the above does not cover your need, report query with a description of the bird.

AMAZON PARROT (Mrs. Allen).—It is a Blue-fronted Amazon. Your diet is right so far as it goes, but you can supply ripe fruit liberally. A few nuts, such as Barcelona, monkey, and walnuts, pieces of biscuit and dry potato. Also keep cuttlebone, grit, and a piece of wood continually in the cage. Do not give tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, nor any kind of animal food. Some Amazons are very fond of boiled maize and about a dessert-spoonful daily is good for them. Boil till soft, but the corn should remain whole, and drain off all water. If the bird is thin it would be well to put 10 drops of cod liver oil emulsion on the corn while it is hot, and allow it to soak in, then supply to the bird. Put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day for a month. On the intervening days just colour the water with chemical food. Report progress in two or three weeks' time.

PROPER TIME TO PURCHASE (J. F. Morrison).—Young Blue-fronted Amazons are almost always on the market, but a bird of this year would not be available till the autumn. Parrots are long-lived birds; many of them mature slowly, and a bird several years old is still a young one. Watch our advert. columns and seize your opportunity. Supplies may be very erratic while the war lasts.

ZEBRA FINCH, &c. (H. C. B.).—I take it the Zebra Finch hen is merely a little out of condition, but keep it warm, strictly out of draughts, yet where it can get light and air. As soon as you can get it free from frost, give it seeding and flowering grass to pick over. Keep a piece of cuttlebone in the cage. Till the bowels become rather loose (not watery-loose) put half a teaspoonful of fluid magnesia into the drinking water daily and follow this by giving ten drops of syrup of phosphates in the water every other day. Cage the Java Sparrow hen up separately and treat her similarly to the Zebra Finch. Supply also a little paddy rice. As soon as the sun gets really warm, give them a short time daily in the open air, but they must neither be exposed to currents of air, nor have the sun's rays pouring directly down upon them.

BUDGERIGARS (Ruth).—I cannot answer your query as you give me no details. How large is your cage? How are you feeding, etc.? How long have you had them? If you will repeat query, supplying details as above, I will try and help you. Have you our Nutshell "Budgerigars"? If not, you should get it, 2½d. post free from our Manager. It will help you.

AUSTRALIAN PARROT (L.T.).—It is a Roseate Cockatoo: some of this species make good talkers, but the majority do not. The same treatment as that given to the African Grey Parrot will suffice for this species. Briefly, its dietary should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, stale crusts, biscuit and plain cake. The usual essentials—grit (not sand), cuttlebone, wood to bite up, and water—must be continuously in the cage.

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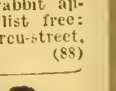

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PRIZE Roller cocks, from 8/-, hens 3/6 to 5/-: 2 hens for Terrier pup: Smith, Jeweller, Kirton Lindsey. (239)

FIRST class Roller hens for sale, 2/6 each; cold room bred: F. Cartwright, 15, Fairfield, Kidderminster. (255)

THREE 1914 Glucke Rollers, cock, two hens, B.R.C.C. ring, 16/-: W. Hartley, 5, Cleveland-st., Colne, Lancs. (251)

ROLLER hens, 1914, cold room bred, 3/-, 3/6, 4/- each; approval: Brinkman, 29, Harleeh-terr., Dewsbury-rd., Leeds. (253)

BEST quality rape for Roller fanciers, 4/- per stone, 30/- per cwt.; samples sent: Ives, 85, Legsby-avenue, Grimsby. (207)

I OFFER three pure bred Roller hens, bred 1914, sound every way; to clear, 7/- the lot: Collinge, Bankside, Bacup. (252)

THREE Randall's Rollers and one Seifert cock, 10/- each; or what offers?—James Goode, Foley Park, Kidderminster. (254)

ROLLER Canaries, 2 cocks, splendid singers, 1 hen, also 4ft. 2in. compt. breeding cage: offers: Barnes, 57, Braybrook-rd., Desborough. (246)

TWO 1914 B.R.C.C. cocks (pure Randall's), 15/- each; satisfaction or money refunded: Hoyle, 19, Chapel-st., Chorley. M.B.R.C.C. (256)

NOTICE; grand lot day and gaslight Rollers, full song, reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

ROLLERS, pure bred, cold room, Randall's strain; pair ready for breeding, 10/-; hens, same strain, 2/6: Close, 33, Chesterfield-rd., Blackpool. (255)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain: hens, all sold, cold-room: cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

SEIFERT 1914 hens, breeding condition, guaranteed best strain, 3/6; exchange singing cock Canaries, Goldfinches, Bullfinches: 614, Fulham-rd. (257)

HENS; same strain as diploma winner, for best Water Glucke at Leeds show, 1913: 3/6, 4/- each to clear; cages 3d.: Bennett, 1, Greenhow View, Burley, Leeds. (232)

GENUINE reliable untried Roller hens, bred from my noted singing strain, only a few left, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each: Miss Storey, Roller Specialist, Crowle, Worcester.

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HIGH-CLASS Rollers, call and hear them, no one pressed to buy; hens ready to nest; approval willingly; cocks 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, upwards; hens 5/-: Best, 5, Alma pl., Beckett-st., Leeds. (242)

WANTED, Roller cock in full song, 1914 bred; give three good Roller hens, 1912, 1913, 1914, cold room bred, and cash; letters only: Charles Large, 23, Knowsley-av., Eccles, Manchester. (251)

ONE Roller cock, good bird, 5/6; three hens, Norwich and Roller, 1/6 each; also six wire fronts, 48 by 15, 5/6 lot; two dozen small glass dishes; offers: Watson, Central-av., Nuneaton. (251)

YORKSHIRE and Norwich cross cock Canaries, buff, 5/6 each; green Roller cocks, trained under Nightingale, 10/- each; green hen; all 1914 birds; approval, deposit: Harrison, Retreat, Tiverton. (252)

H. E. SMITH, manager, 6, Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, S.E., offers for sale, 1914 cold bred Rollers and Roller Norwich cross cocks, full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, robust hens 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; Crested cocks 10/6, 12/6, hens 4/6, 5/6, own breeding; state wants: offers. (253)

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YOUNG Yorkshire buff Canary, 6in. long, 3/-: 271, Kingston-rd., Wimbledon. (243)

YORKSHIRES, cocks from 8/-, hens 4/-: healthy, full song: 49, Banstead Grove, Roundhay-rd., Leeds. (252)

WANTED Yorkshire cock Canaries, full song: Edmonds and Edmonds, Naturalists, Eastbourne. (257)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

FEW stylish Yorkshires for sale; cocks 10/6, hens 6/6; cold-room bred: Shrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting Junction. (193)

YORKSHIRES, 2 hens, 1 green, 1 yellow, 3/- each, cold room; approval: W. Haye, Gamekeeper, Woodford, Bramhall. (251)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, all my well-known stock, for sale, cocks 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (251)

TWO pairs good Yorkshires, best blood, 8/6 a pair to clear; rare bargain: B. Rimmer, Bath House, Windermere. (254)

SHACKLETON'S. Two buff cocks, yellow hens, 11/- pair; yellow cock, 18/6; hot, 20/-; offers: Haytock, Florence-st., Rochdale. (258)

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TYPICAL long, slim buff Yorkshire cocks, 7/6; hens, 3/-; large Crystal Palace aviary cheap: 26, Poynders-rd., Clapham Park. (246)

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TWO young cold-room Yorkshire hens, reliable mothers, eager to nest, 3/- each; write: Griffin, St. George's Lodge, Worthing. (250)

YORKSHIRES.—A few good birds for sale, cheap, cocks and hens, seen any time, breeding condition: H. Smith, 115, Merton-rd., Wimbledon. (252)

TWO unflighted yellow and buff cocks, winners, cards sent, 15/6 each; also smart yellow hen, 7/6: Lloyd, 84, Chichele-rd., Cricklewood, N.W. (243)

AFTER pairing up, can spare cock and six typical hens, Mr. Crawhall's well-known strain: Johnston, 123, Ferme Park-rd., Stroud Green, London, N. (256)

COCK, two hens; exchange brass tod fireplace; yours first; mutual approval: Clarke, 219, St. Mary's Road, Sheffield. No cards answered; or offers. (256)

NOTICE; grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

WANTED, ticked or variegated buff Yorkshire cock, in full song, and tip-top breeding condition, on approval: Henderson, Buckfastleigh, Devon.

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, from my winning strain; cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/-; approval with pleasure: Cheshire, 54, Crawford-st., Bradford.

PAIR Yorkshires, 12/6; yellow cock, cinnamon marked hen; exchange long cin. marked cock, lady's cycle, 30/-: Brooker, 15, Frome-terr., Dorchester. (258)

THREE typical Yorkshire cocks, cinn., for buff, 15/-; green Nor. buff, 12/6; ticked yellow, 10/6; cheap to clear: R. Baxter, 98, Dames-rd., Forest Gate, E. (256)

CLEARING out, long upstanding Yorkshires, Palace strain; a few good pairs left, cheap; also some odd cocks and hens: Write, Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (244)

YORKSHIRES.—Clear buff cock, exceptional length, grand stock bird, 20/-; clear yellow cock, 7/6; both unflighted; exchange Rollers: Cottham, Albrighton, Wolverhampton. (254)

YORKSHIRE greens and clears, few good buffs, winner novice cup, Liverpool, B.B.A. most points Yorkshires; G.C.A. novice; approval: Rodgers, 11, Moss Grove, Lodge Lane, Liverpool. (252)

J. S. FAIRMAN can still supply a few good cocks or hens, bred from birds that have won four cups for him this season; prices reasonable; inspection invited: 28, Pepler-rd., Old Kent-rd., London. (256)

YORKSHIRES. Two tacy yellow variegated cocks, one buff cock 1914, one yellow cock 1912, all in full song; one yellow hen, one buff hen, anxious to nest; 42/ lot; a bargain: Write Engtson, 3, Fairfield, East Kingston. (257)

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Twitterings.

Walton and Everton C.B.S. has fixed on Oct. 30 for its old show, writes Mr. W. C. Robinson, hon. sec. Local secs. kindly note.

Mr. V. Zimmerman, hon. sec. of the York C.B.S., writes: "We have numerous valuable cups, rosebowls, etc., for competition, and purpose holding an open show some time in November or December; arrangements to be made later."

At the meeting, April 17, the Cumnock and Dist. C.B.S. elected Mr. T. McCreadie, Dumfries, to judge Scotch Fancy and Borders, and Mr. J. Steel, Dalkeith, British and Norwich at the show on Nov. 27, writes Mr. Alex. Wyper, sec.

I feel I must compliment you on the grand "Annual" you have issued for 1915. It is simply marvellous value, and it is most astonishing how it can be done for the small sum of sixpence.—W. A. Shaw, Galashiels.

Mr. Edgar S. Broadbent, of 25, Wellfield Road, Walton, Liverpool, has kindly consented to take over the secretaryship of the Green Canary Association, writes Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, chairman. Secretaries please note; members kindly forward any suggestions for next season's show business.

Mr. P. R. Crosby, 5, Queen St., Plymouth, writes that he is desirous of obtaining employment as bird-keeper to an aviculturist. Mr. Crosby says he is a good carpenter, and is capable of doing anything that would be required in a large private aviary; he could give his whole time, and live in if desired.

The balance-sheet of the City and Suburban A.C.B. for the quarter ending April 1, is to hand from the hon. sec., Mr. V. Wynn. Notwithstanding a net loss of just over £4 on the young bird show, the statement shows a balance in hand and at bank of £23 18s. 8d., an increase of £4 8s. 11d., over the amount brought forward from 1914.

Three of our members have recently answered the country's call and joined the Colours, writes Mr. A. Lawford, sec., Huddersfield O.S. They are Messrs. A. Morris, A. Sharp, and W. Charlesworth, so we now have four on H.M. Service. The members of the Huddersfield O.S. and their many friends wish them luck and a speedy return. All Mr. Morris's birds are now for sale, and will be found advertised in this week's Cage Birds.

We regret to learn that Mr. F. Rhodes, so long hon. sec. to the Open Norwich Plainhead Club, has been forced through illness to resign. The new hon. sec. is Mr. S. Wilcock, 16, Back Manor Street, Eccleshill, Bradford. Societies desirous of having the O.N.P.C. patronage should apply to Mr. Wilcock as early as possible. Mr. Rhodes is undergoing an operation at the Bradford infirmary, and the many fanciers to whom he is known will join us in the hope of his speedy recovery.

I have obtained your "Canary Breeding for Beginners" and a few of the "Nutshells," writes Mr. W. A. Shaw, and I am now, I feel certain, on the right road to success. Whatever would novices such as I and others do without the above instructive books, and our most popular weekly paper, Cage Birds? I look forward to my copy weekly, and not one line is missed, once I get it. I feel I am only voicing the thoughts of all bird-lovers when I say that all the successes which I have obtained are due to good old Cage Birds. Long may it flourish.

A Novice's Success.

You may guess my surprise, writes Mr. S. J. Tucker, Dover, at seeing my name as the winner of the "Untidy Bird Room Competition." I only took up Canary breeding last June, and I knew absolutely nothing about birds of any kind before that date. Naturally, as soon as I intended to take up this hobby I looked for reliable information, and soon discovered Cage Birds, and have regularly taken it since. Of course I have studied it most carefully and also your publication "Canary Breeding for Beginners,' which has put me on the right track. I did very well with two pairs last year, and this year I intend going strongly for this fascinating hobby. I tell you this to show what can be done by studying your many useful books.

OBITUARY.

MR. CLAYTON (Halifax).

It is with sincere regret, writes Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, that I have to report the death of "Pliny" Clayton, of Halifax. When he was in the Fancy, his speciality was Yorkshire Greens, and in this variety he scored some wonderful successes. He was the greatest thorn to the Liverpool exhibitors, and we did not always come off top dog. We in Liverpool have lost another link of what was once a strong chain. It is a blow to us, for he was a born fancier, and we wish Yorkshire would raise more like him. The Green Canary Association tender their most heartfelt sympathy to his family.

Mr. R. E. Helliwell, in also sending us an announcement of the demise of Mr. Clayton, writes: "He passed away on April 11, at Morecambe, after a long and painful illness. He was always straight, and a good sportsman: those who knew him will join in heartfelt sympathy to his wife and family in their sad bereavement."

MR. R. LYDEKKER.

By the death of Mr. Richard Lydekker, which occurred at Harpenden Lodge on Friday night, the world of science loses a distinguished and laborious worker. Mr. Lydekker, who was in his sixty-sixth year, was on the staff of the Geological Survey of India from 1874 to 1882. His writings on geology and zoology were very numerous, and included works on the geology of Kashmir and South American fossil animals, the great and small game of India, Burma, and Tibet, the game animals of Africa, and the Sportsman's British Birds. He was a Fellow of the Royal, Geological, and Zoological Societies, and was on the Commission of the Peace for Hertfordshire. "Morning Post."

MR. HARRY DADY (Gorleston).

One who was at the same time a soldier, an athlete, and a bird-lover gives his life for his country.

We learn that Private Harry Dady of the 1st Coldstream Guards, who was reported missing on Jan. 25, is now officially announced to have been killed in the fighting at Cuinchy, near La Bassee, on that date. He was the only son of Mr. Isaac Dady, of No. 45, Lowestoft Road, and was 29. He had been married only 2½ years. He joined the Army in September, and went to the front early in January. He will be well remembered in football circles, as he had played full back for both Yarmouth and Gorleston Clubs, and was one of the Gorleston team which won the Junior Cup in 1907, when they sensationally defeated Norwich St. James, who a week after won the Senior Cup. He was a good oarsman, a fine swimmer, and had played polo for Gorleston and the Otter S.C.

In sending the above account from the Eastern Daily Press of Mr. Dady's death, Mr. E. A. L. Crow, hon. sec. Lowestoft F.S., writes: "I knew Mr. Dady personally, and he was as good a fancier as an athlete; he was particularly interested in Norwich Plainheads. He is the first cage-bird man, I believe, who has given his life for his country.

LIEUT. SIR R. J. CORBET, Bart.

Following upon the news of Mr. Dady's death comes the announcement that another soldier bird-lover in the person of Lieut. Sir R. J. Corbet, Bart., Coldstream Guards, has been killed in action. Sir Roland was in the prime of young manhood, and his untimely death comes as a personal loss to ourselves as he was an occasional contributor to our columns and a Patron of Cage Birds League. He was a member both of the Avicultural Society and the Foreign Bird Club, and his demise will be mourned by a wide circle of friends. England is the poorer by the loss of such men as Lieut. Sir R. J. Corbet and Private Dady.

Burial of Mr. Easterling.

Friends and brother fanciers will be interested in hearing (after your announcement of his death), writes Mr. V. Wynn, hon. sec. City and Sub. A.C.B., that Mr. F. Easterling was carried to his last earthly resting place to-day, April 19, at Streatham Park Cemetery, amidst a sorrowing circle of relatives and friends. The City and Suburban A.C.B. were represented by their chairman and myself; others, I feel sure, would have been there also had they known the day. Beautiful wreaths were sent by the Wimbledon C.B.S. and the City and Suburban A.C.B.

Mr. H. Smith, hon. sec., Wimbledon C.B.S., writes that in company with Mrs. M. M. Owen and Messrs. P. Rorke and G. J. Warley, attended at Streatham Cemetery for the purpose of representing the society in paying the last respects to the deceased, but discovered too late that the funeral was taking place at Streatham Park Cemetery. In sending this explanation Mr. Smith says: 'We should not like it to appear that we had in any way slighted one who has been to Wimbledon, as to many other societies, a real good friend and a generous supporter. He will be a great loss to the Fancy."

The following specialist judges will officiate at Haltwhistle and District C.B.S. annual open show on Nov. 19, writes Mr. Wm. Tallantyre, hon. sec.:—Borders, Mr. T. Arnot (Hawick); Norwich and Yorks., Mr. T. Dixon (Bedlington), and British, Mules, etc., Mr. J. Maddison (Newcastle). Secretaries please note date and avoid clashing.

Ramble for Oldham Fanciers.

Mr. G. Mills, hon. sec. of Oldham C.B.S., writes that at the next meeting, April 27, at the Textile Dining Rooms, at 8, a ramble will be arranged. All interested are invited to attend.

"Nuptial Plumes."

The congratulations of foreign bird exhibitors are due to Mr. R. J. Watts, of Watford, who was married on Primrose Day to Miss Gertrude Sargent, daughter of Mr. F. Sargent, one of the most popular townsmen of Watford, and of L.N.W. Rly. fame. Mr. R. J. Watts, who has for some ten years exhibited at our principal shows, came out as an all-England judge at the Amalgamated show at the Horticultural Hall last November. The happy pair are both well-known to those who attend the principal shows, and among the many beautiful and costly presents received by them was a tribute in the shape of a handsome set of engraved fish carvers, knives and forks, from friends of the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League. The congratulatory note accompanying this bore the subscribers' names. Mr. Allen Silver saw him "off the mat."

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Where Rarities are Common.

Mr. R. Cottam, a former member of the Oldham Naturalist Society, in a long communication to his fellow-members relating to birds in Khartoum, says, among other things: "Of course the Hoopoe is flushed every few yards, and scares numerous Grey Wagtails. The White Wagtail is the common representative of the family in these parts, being found in most gardens and streets of the city. Almost every day I see many specimens of the Blue-cheeked Bee-eater perching on the telegraph wires. The Crested Lark of Brem and the Calandra Lark are quite at home, the Calandra is superabundant, whereas the other species is most solitary.

A Khaki Bird's Nest.

A Robin has just built its nest in the shelter of a soldier's overcoat, hanging at the head of its owner's bed in the Red Cross Hospital provided by Messrs. Chivers and Sons, Limited, the jam manufacturers, at Histon, near Cambridge. The ward is an open one, and the Robin, after selecting its site, went about its work of building very coolly, showing no fear of the soldiers, who were much interested in their little visitor. The bird comes and goes as it likes, frequently sits on the head of the bed while the soldier is in it, and stays at night in its nest, where it has already laid four eggs.—"Daily Express."

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The War Affects Bird-cages.

At a meeting of bird-cage manufacturers in Birmingham, it was resolved that "In consequence of the serious continued increases in the cost of raw materials and labour, the net prices of all bird cages be advanced a further 10 per cent., making a total of 20 per cent., and that the discount from list prices be reduced to 40s. per cent., from April 9 until further notice—plus the extra net charge for glasses as advised on Feb. 1."

The Nighringale's Return.

I have just heard and seen a cock Nightingale (a splendid specimen) only a few yards away from me, hopping from bush to bush, and singing well, writes Mr. F. J. Weaire. I also saw the "Snakebird" (the Wryneck) a few yards further away. Both are first arrivals here (Kent) this year (Primrose Day, April 19, and quite like a summer day) and both were on outskirts of small wood, Snodland Brook, their usual haunts, and where they are heard yearly to perfection.

Blackbird Slain: Bomb-dropping Fiasco at Sittingbourne.

The rules of sportsmanship were violated by the occupants of the German Taube aeroplane which visited Sittingbourne, among other Kentish towns, for they killed with a bomb a bird that was "not on the wing." This was their net "bag" for the day—a Blackbird sitting in a pear tree in an orchard owned by a firm named Burley, adjoining Gore Court. The same bomb which slew the bird tore some of the budding branches from the tree, and made a hole in the turf about a foot and a half deep and two feet wide, and that was all it accomplished. It did not even explode.—"Daily News and Leader."

A Tit-bit from "Tit-Bits."

The weekly journal "Tit-Bits" for April 17 had an article entitled "Birds' Killing Anvils," which opened with the following paragraph: "In country districts where shelled snails are abundant a thrilling thing it is to see a Robin, Goldfinch, or Thrush capture a snail and hie them (sic) to a certain smooth-topped stone, there to soar high in the heavens and repeatedly drop the unhappy snail until finally the shell is triumphantly cracked open as you would a nut."

We should think it indeed a "thrilling thing" to see a Goldfinch soaring high in the heavens with a snail in his beak, or a Robin practising bomb-dropping with a charge about as heavy as himself. Our contemporary is careful to say "It is, to be sure, no easy matter to catch the birds in the act." Here we agree; but when it goes on to say that "the crushed and broken houses of shell scattered near such stones tell the tale," then we differ. The tale they tell is of a Thrush which has used the stone to break the shells of snails which he holds in his beak while hammering them, not that of snails dropped from the air a la Zeppelin.

TORPEDO BIRDS.

De Rougemont Outdone.

According to a New York story Mr. Ferdinand Bartels, an explorer who followed Mr. Roosevelt's footsteps in the wilds of South America, has just returned to the United States from Brazil, where he discovered a strange bird of prey which he named the "Whiffle Buff." It has a very sharply pointed tail. It drops underneath its victim and then soars at a tremendous speed with its tail pointing upwards, and pierces the prey from below with its needlelike feathers.

Mr. Bartels, who has secured some live specimens of this extraordinary bird, informed an interviewer that he intended training them, and added, with a smile, that he hoped to make them attack airships. If successful, he would offer them to a foreign power as "torpedo birds" to attack Zeppelins.

Have You Seen It.

A correspondent to the London "Daily Express," with the expressive pen-name of Y. Knott, asks the question: "Can it be possible that this bird is of the same species as the "Hadyer" Bird, so well known in this country and chiefly remarkable for the fact that it flies backwards in order to keep the dust out of its eyes?" Why not, indeed?

Maybe the poor Blackbird that was killed by a Zeppelin bomb at Sittingbourne during the air-raid last week, was mistaken by the baby-killers for a "Whiffle-Buff" and paid the penalty accordingly.

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THE YORKSHIRE CANARY: Its Breeding and Management.

A Lecture given before the Members of the Great Horton Good Intent and Kindly communicated by Mr. Frith, the Hon. Sec.

A GOOD muster turned up at the Grange Congregational School, on April 10, to hear Mr. Snead on this important subject, for the lecturer is known to be a fancier who always has been successful in breeding Yorkshires of good quality. Mr. Snead said he was pleased to come amongst us with a purpose which corresponded to the name of our society, "The Good Intent." He said he had come to speak mainly to the novices, but if the older fanciers could gather something to their advantage he would be pleased. Anyway he would give his own method, and he thought that if this were followed success should be achieved by others as it had been reached by himself.

The Room, and Its Aspect.

Firstly the situation of the room itself and its aspect are very important matters. If possible a room should be selected with a S.E. or a S.W. aspect, for in such circumstances more sun is received into the room, and sun is life to the birds. An important point is to avoid all draughts in the room, and a simple method to find out if a room is draughty is to take a lighted candle into it, for if draughts are present the flicker of the flame will at once indicate them. Although fresh air is most important for the well-being of the birds, it is even better to do without this in a degree than to subject them to draughts.

Cages may be of any kind according to the preference or convenience of the individual breeder, but in any case they must be kept scrupulously clean. I myself, said the lecturer, use peat moss for the bottom of the cages, and therefore have no birds with clogged feet. The cages I prefer measure 20 inches in length and 18 inches high. I arrange these in racks so that they are quite easy to take out and clean should the occasion arise.

When cleaning and renovating my cages for the breeding season, I do not put one coat of whitening on top of another year after year. Cages require a yearly disinfecting, and in doing this I wash mine out with boiling water, adding to it ammonia, turpentine, and Jeyes' fluid

Something Indispensable to Success.

To come to the birds themselves. I should advise the novice to start with ordinary birds bought from a breeder with a reputation for breeding good feeders. With these, for a season or two, he will be getting his education and a knowledge of the individual characteristics and properties of his own birds. If he means to go up as an exhibitor it is absolutely essential that he makes a study of his birds and their habits.

When the shows come on he should go to them and look intelligently at the birds exhibited, especially at those at the top, and he should not be afraid to ask older fanciers to explain any points in the birds that he does not himself understand; they will always be willing to help him, and after he has got the benefit of their hints, coupled with his own experience, he should go to a breeder who is known as having strong and healthy stock and show birds. If he places himself in the hands of one who has had more experience than himself he will do much better than by picking up a bird here and there. There are many breeders who would willingly put themselves out a great deal to help a novice who places himself unreservedly in their hands, as in a measure they would feel somewhat responsible for his success.

In making such a start it is better to get a few good birds rather than a large number of more or less inferior ones, a cock and a hen, a cock and two hens, or two cocks and two hens, according as the money will allow, will be sufficient for a beginning.

Once Good, Always Good.

If the novice has bred a good feeder or two from the ordinary stock with which he started, he should keep these, for they will come in useful later. Among the better quality birds which he has bought after his first experience he may have a hen which is excellent in herself, but yet may not be a good feeder, and in such case he will be able to make use of the feeding hens he has been wise enough to keep. I believe a hen which has once proved a good feeder will be a good feeder to the end of her days if she is only properly looked after.

When breeding operations are in progress the ambitious fancier should not be too inquisitive, but should leave the birds alone as much as possible, and in the matter of feeding he should get the best obtainable of everything; no matter the price, the best always pays in the long run.

In giving his own system of feeding, Mr. Snead said that in the winter he gave the birds the best canary seed as a staple food, and once a week, say Wednesday, he added a spoonful of summer rape. At least once a week he gave a piece of sweet apple between the wires of the cages. About the beginning of February he gave the cock birds egg-food twice a week, and more frequently by degrees until the time came for pairing up, then he gave it every day along with a teaspoonful of mixed seed.

More Haste, Less Speed.

In the making of the egg-food he crushed three arrowroot biscuits and one hard-boiled egg together, and added a pinch of maw seed. In the early part of the season, said the lecturer, I do not feed up the hens at all. I think it is best to let nature do its own work; they will come into condition in the season with the cocks singing to them. Do not pair up too soon, but wait until the hens are quite ready, then there will not be any clear eggs. The cocks may begin to feed the perch end, the wires, or their own feet, yet they may not really be in breeding condition. Wait until they begin hopping from perch to perch and flapping their wings constantly, then will be the time to pair up.

I take the eggs away as laid, but I do not put any dummy eggs in until the hen has laid her third egg. When I find that in the morning I put in two dummy eggs, then at night I return her eggs to her for sitting.

I make the nest as nearly as possible like a Finch's nest. First I put in the woollen linings, then some hay which I have rubbed in my hands until it is somewhat crushed and pliable; on top of this I place some brown cow-hair, and work the whole into shape with something hard; a hard-boiled egg will answer the purpose very nicely, but my own favourite weapon is the dumb-bell, for this makes what I think an ideal nest. Once I have started the hen sitting I do not disturb her until the time of incubation is completed, for even if the eggs are clear the hen requires the rest of the full time to become in fit and proper form for a second trial.

I do not remember ever once having found a dead chick in any of my eggs, a fact which I attribute to making the nest hard. (Here Mr. Snead handed round a nest made in the manner he had described.)

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

New Club for Manchester.

SIR,—As the Manchester Fanciers' Central Social Club seems now to be an established fact, I would just like to point out to fanciers that in order to meet those who cannot find it convenient to come down to a Saturday night meeting, the next was fixed for Wednesday, April 28. Our sec., Mr. R. J. Metcalfe, The How, Sedgley Park, Prestwich, Manchester, will be very pleased to forward further particulars to any fanciers on application. Even teetotalers need have no hesitation about joining, as our rules are so fixed that they could have no objection to becoming members. The Editor of CAGE BIRDS was thanked at our last meeting for publishing the correspondence relating to this club.

A MEMBER.

Kettering F.A. Making a Big Move.

SIR,—As an outcome of the steady progress of the Kettering F.A. during the past four years, it has been decided to make the annual show an event worthy of the town and district, and to this end, the Victoria Hotel, a spacious building, and one admirably adapted for the purpose, has been secured. In addition to the open classes, many of which are already guaranteed, the Committee are desirous of entertaining one or more of the specialist clubs in all sections. Kettering is centrally situated on the main line of the Midland Railway, and accessible to all parts. The Association includes many well-known fanciers, has a substantial balance in the bank, and I shall be pleased to hear from club secretaries or fanciers who are willing to support us with guarantees at this, our first open show, to be held on Dec. 11th.

F. S. BALL, Sec.

5, Bucclench St., Kettering.

Classes for Cinnamon Borders.

SIR,—Although it is rather early in the season to talk about classification, yet there is nothing like being in time, therefore I would like to say a few words on behalf of Cinnamon Borders. That they do not get due consideration from most societies cannot be denied; in some cases they have a class to themselves, in others they are classed along with Greens. What is the reason for this I don't know, for it is only necessary to note the entries at shows where classes are provided for them to see that they pay their way all right. Cinnamons have come to stay, and are comparing favourably with the other varieties for type, proof of which can be had from the fact that at the three shows where they had a club medal for best Green or Cinnamon, with eight classes, Cinnamons won the medal twice. Societies who cannot see their way to go the full distance might at least keep Cinnamons separate from the Greens, and thereby earn the support and thanks of lovers of Cinnamons. Now that we have no show reports, etc., to take up our attention, I think it is opportune to bring forward discussions on the various topics of the Fancy; hence my reason for penning these few lines, which I have no doubt will meet the eyes of Border fanciers. For myself, I don't think I would rest content on a Friday night if I did not have a look over good old CAGE BIRDS.

ROBERT HOUSTON.

The Fertilization of Eggs.

SIR,—I notice that in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, correspondence is going on regarding the fertilisation of eggs. The first year I bred Canaries (four seasons ago), a hen which had not been with a cock before made a nest, and before I was aware laid her first egg. On the morning I discovered it I slipped a cock with her for a few minutes, and so on each succeeding day. She laid an egg the following day, completed a clutch of five, and hatched four young. This seems to prove that it is not too late if the shell is not completed. Being a new beginner then, I was surprised, but I did not think it might surprise the Fancy.

ARTHUR SIMONS.

The Late Mr. Easterling.

SIR,—I notice under "Obituary" in your last issue of CAGE BIRDS that our friend Easterling has passed away. I had known him for some years very intimately, and should like to say a few words on the passing of our friend.

He had a long and painful illness extending over some months, which he bore with great fortitude, and was all along hoping for a turn for the better, so that he could be amongst his friends and birds again. He will always be remembered as a successful breeder and exhibitor of Yorkshire Canaries, and will be missed by the members of the various societies that he was interested in, especially by the novices to whom he was always ready to give his advice. He has left a widow unprovided for, and the fund that was started for his benefit will be handed to her, with any further contributions from those who may wish to help in so good a cause in memory of our long respected friend.

J. DEWHURST.

52, North End Road, West Kensington.

Corespondence continued on next page.

THE MYSTERY OF "BIRD FEVER."

By W. VALE, F.Z.S. ETC., (South Norwood.)

(Concluded from p. 219.)

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases, "How to Feed Canaries," etc.

SEPTIC fever is the result of putrefactive matter entering into, or being formed in the blood and poisoning it. The symptoms vary very much, the variation mainly depending upon the bodily condition of the subject when attacked, and especially upon the condition of its kidneys, and their eliminating power—that is, their power to keep the blood in a normal condition, and it may be pointed out that in a bird the subject of septic fever the kidneys are not ever in a healthy condition.

Symptoms Not Always Obvious.

The severity of the symptoms and the length of time before death takes place depend on the extent of the impurity of the blood. In some cases a bird is found dead in its cage, and its owner may not have noticed any symptoms of ill-health previous to its death, death in such case having been the result of effusion of blood on to or into the brain from a ruptured blood-vessel. The rupture would be owing to a soft condition of the coats of the blood-vessel, due to fatty degeneration, and the engorgement of blood thickened through a ferment having been set up in it by the germs of septic fever.

In some cases death is the result of embolism—that is, the plugging of a large blood-vessel by a firm clot of blood, and this also is the result of a ferment. In these cases not any symptoms of ailing may have been obvious, for they may be such as bird-keepers generally would not be likely to notice. It is a fact, but an astounding one, that cage birds may have kidneys, liver, and spleen very much enlarged, and liver and spleen full of cheesy masses of tuberculous matter, so as to have been in an incurable condition for certainly more than a month, and yet be in full song the day previous to death.

How to Detect Danger.

Symptoms which mostly escape notice are to be detected in the excrement from the ailing birds. The most serious is an excess of urea; more especially when it is discoloured. The excrement should be fairly white, but not a tainted white, and it should be rather solid; a fluid condition is evidence of seriously diseased kidneys. In some cases the excrement is of a greenish colour, the result of an excess of bilious matter, and this is generally through the kidneys failing to rid the blood of waste matter which has acted as an irritant in the liver and has caused an excess of bilious matter to be discharged into the bowel. In some cases this may be due to some irritant in the diet, for it may be pointed out that all substances swallowed by a bird, including mineral matter, such as shell, etc., may, when in minute fragments, enter the blood in great excess, so as to be very prejudicial to the health. In some cases slimy mucus may be detected in the excrement, and this is the result of irritant action on the mucous membrane lining the bowel, which in most cases may be irritant bilious matter discharged into the bowel from the liver, due to the kidneys being in an unhealthy condition. In all cases when there is greenish-coloured excrement passed the birds are predisposed to become the subjects of septic fever.

When suffering from septic fever the plumage is usually standing more or less away from the body, a condition known amongst fanciers as "heapy." The eyes are dull, and the subject has a sleepy appearance, but will, as it were, occasionally brighten up and go to its seed, and pick it over, eating but little. In some cases a subject of septic fever is entirely "off its feed," but will usually be frequently drinking, and may live on in this condition for a considerable time. In very severe cases there is stupour and laboured breathing, the body heaving considerably with every breath taken in, and more especially when the lungs are inflamed, which is always the case in acute septic poisoning of the blood.

Post Mortem Revelations.

In birds which have died of septic fever the post-mortem appearances vary to a considerable extent, depending upon the severity of the attack, but in all cases the lungs are in a congested, or inflamed condition, usually the latter, and septic inflammation of the lung is in some cases very contagious amongst birds predisposed to be attacked. The liver is usually severely congested in acute cases, and gorged with very dark-coloured and thickened blood, and in some cases there is pericardial dropsy—that is, the pericardium—heartpurse contains serous effusion, the result of inflammation set up by the germs of the disease, or blood poison. In all cases the blood-vessels on the brain are gorged with dark-coloured blood, and in some cases there is effusion of blood on to the brain and under the cranial bones.

When making a post-mortem examination it is advisable to begin with the head, skinning the cranium to ascertain its condition, then taking off the top of the head to ascertain the condition of the brain. In some the thin bone over the brain is discoloured, and of a yellowish tint in parts, and this is evidence of old-standing disease. The kidneys are usually enlarged, and occasionally of a greyish colour; in other cases, very dark coloured. In all cases portions of the mucous membrane lining the bowel will be found to be inflamed, but sometimes the inflammation is masked by bile staining, or the gall bladder gorged with bile.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

Who Will Help Soldier Fanciers start in Their Hobby?

Sir,—I shall be very pleased to assist any fancier now with the colours with one or two pairs of Borders, as per your suggestion, which I think excellent.

Harry C. Humphries.

36, Ermine Road, Lewisham.

"Cage Birds" in Australia.

An Old Friend Seeks Mr. Currah's Address.

Sir,—After having travelled over Canada since leaving Newcastle, I have landed here, at "Tarara," 3, Tierman St., Footscray, Melbourne, Australia, and will be for some two years at least. I should be glad if Mr. Currah, late of Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne, who came to Australia, would let me know his address so that we may renew our old friendship. I still receive and enjoy Cage Birds although I have not a birdy friend to care for.

J. N. F. Scott.

Future of the Welsh National Cage Bird Society.

Sir,—May I make a special appeal through the columns of your valuable paper to all fanciers in Wales and Monmouthshire to attend a meeting of the Welsh National C.B.S., to be held at the Carlton Hotel, Queen Street, Cardiff, on Monday next, April 26, at 7 sharp? The balance-sheet of the last show will be presented, and plans for the future of the society will also be fully discussed. All cage-bird men are heartily invited to take part in what ought to be a big gathering of Welsh fanciers determined to make the next National show a larger and even greater success than 1915.

E. J. Banks.

Birds in the Firing Line.

Sir,—Being a bird-keeper when in England I thought a line from the front about birds I have seen near the firing line would be of interest to readers of Cage Birds. I have often heard, and I think I have read, that birds won't stop where shooting is going on. Now, Mr. Editor, that is not so, because on the day we were last in the trenches I saw for myself scores of Sparrows, about two dozen Yellowhammers, and about half a dozen Magpies, well within 200 yards of the British trenches; certainly it was in a village, but on the afternoon of which I am writing the Germans dropped no less than a dozen shells at the village. I dare not say what part of the line we were fighting in, but if you knew you would agree with me that it is a hot shop. The following I did not see, personally, but I can stand bail for the word of the friend who told me of it:—Between the English and German trenches (at this point anything from 300 to 400 yards) he saw in the early morning of March 30, a Skylark rise in full song. On April 4, within two miles of the trenches, I myself found and saw a Wren building her nest. If I was asked who were the least concerned about the war I would certainly say "Birds." Wishing you and Cage Birds every success.

"Royal Lancaster."

Belgium, April 9.

Border Fancies at the Horticultural Hall.

Sir,—It was not my intention to write again upon the Border Fancies at the last L.C.B.A. show, but as fanciers appear to be still taking an interest in the matter, may I make an appeal to those gentlemen who conversed with Mr. Jenkins about the colour question to come forward and tell us what the judge did tell them? Mr. J. has denied that any of the winners were under discussion. Surely those fanciers who have privately "stated their case" will, for the good of our hobby, either agree with what the judge now says, or be able to contradict him. The question as to whether it is common to find birds in the cards having been unfairly coloured I will leave to abler pens than mine to discuss. I am obliged to Mr. Madagan for his remarks about my yellow hen at Cardiff. A novice, of course, seldom puts a bird down like a champion, and I accept the friendly observations Mr. M. makes in the spirit I am sure they are made.

H. C. Humphries.

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When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—Yet another Englishman as proud of his own name as he is of the true parentage of "White Rose," I write just to correct an error in Mr. J. W. Saywell's letter. "White Rose" was not 1st at Liverpool; unfortunately he knocked the flight feathers out of one wing travelling from Oxford show, where he stood 1st and sp. under Mr. J. Robson the day before Liverpool. Mr. Chas. Houlton awarded "White Rose" first at Manchester in a very strong class of Any Variety Hybrid, including Canary-Bullfinch. As to the other letter, as I have said before, I absolutely ignore nondescripts.

R. D. Parlett.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—One of the hardest points to breed out of the Crest or Lancashire cross in Norwich is the large beak and long head. It may be broad, but if it is long it gives them an ugly appearance. I was much interested in the article, "How Winning Norwich are Bred," but there are more types of Tumbler Pigeons than of Norwich Canaries; if you take the long-faced black, or black mottle, you have the correct type of the modern Plainhead Norwich, that is in my humble opinion.

J. Bastock.

Sir,—We are still waiting to hear how to improve the Norwich Plainhead, as so far we have only heard what one fancier thinks of another fancier, and not what he thinks of his type of bird. If they only said what they thought of his birds they have seen on the show bench, we might learn a bit by reading between the lines. We may say we are not the Cardiff gentlemen who want to put a "fiver" on Mr. Spillman, but we would like to tell Mr. Bastock that Mr. Allsopp need not go out of Cardiff for a bet like this, as we are quite prepared to take him on with the same conditions, either with stock birds or young birds, as we won the Cardiff challenge cup this last season with our Norwich. We may say we spent two days and nights as watchmen at the Welsh National Show, and we wondered what Mr. Allsopp had seen in some of his winners. Now we know; it seems he never got past the beaks of some.

James and Wells.

Sir,—Mr. J. Bastock reminds me of an old song entitled "And his little wife was with him all the time," for wherever I happen to be in correspondence there he may be found also, a peaceful nomad by choice I suppose; whereas I seem to be at the mercy of any bold, bad buccaneer, seeking a victim. In reply to his challenge if he will refer to my letter in reply to Mr. W. Spillman, he will gather that beneath that gentleman's "challenge," there is more than meets the eye, and because of this a special charm for me exists, not to be found in his own challenge. However in the event of my being able to compel my western critic to "toe the line" I promise Mr. Bastock the door shall be left sufficiently ajar for him to squeeze through with "his little lot," or other fanciers "fond of a sporting match." Meanwhile watch the signs in the west.

In reply to Mr. W. Spillman, I agree that "actions speak louder than words." A superficial review of his own, from the moment when he entered into this correspondence will amply confirm the truth of that old proverb. Inasmuch as my critic persistently shirks the points at issue, and intrudes insidious observations, I can only refer him to the opening passages of my letter appearing beneath his own, and trust that we may yet obtain the benefit of his 25 years' experience, or that he will at least in justice to myself grant me permission to divulge the correspondence I received from him during October, 1913, which I still hold, for without such readers will never appreciate his present attitude towards myself. Which alternative will he choose, and what of his "challenge"?

E. W. Allsopp.

More Black Canaries.

Further Success in New Zealand.

Sir,—On behalf of Mrs. Martin, New Zealand, may I inform H. C. Brooks and other fanciers who were interested in Mrs. Martin's account published in Cage Birds of the breeding of the first Black Canary, that arrangements were being made to send this bird to England just as the war started, and were then cancelled, as the risks were too great at that time. It was intended to show this Black Canary at the 1915 Palace show, if it had been held. I have to-day received a letter from Mrs. Martin informing me that she has succeeded in breeding more Black Canaries, and that she is waiting a favourable opportunity to send them over here; they will be exhibited at some of our shows.

C. H. Goodman.

Club Reports.

CLYDEBANK C.B.C.

Meeting on April 15. Agree to hold our F.F. show on July 3, and annual show Nov. 27. Sec. was instructed to write to certain gentlemen, get their terms for judging, and lay them before the next meeting. Messrs. Bilcland, Old Kilpatrick, and Sim, Dalmuir, were elected members. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—Wm. Kane, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR SOCIAL CLUB.

Meeting, April 11, Mr. Taylor chair, and a good turn up of members. Decided to let Rule 4 stand. Balance-sheet from the four clubs was read and was found very satisfactory. Carried that the same deputation stand for next year; we are making our schedule at next meeting May 11, so let us have a strong meeting.—Geo. Lane, Sec.

CRYSTAL PALACE & PENGE C.B.S

Meeting Alexandra Hotel, Penge, April 14. Chairman, Mr. Foxen, gave a detailed account of how he managed his own Yorks, which was greatly appreciated by all, and many of us were wiser for the information given. Then he undertook the answering of questions, which he did in a most business-like manner. A hearty vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Last and seconded by Mr. Powell. —W. D. Fryett, Sec.

LONDON C.B.A.

Adjourned annual general meeting, Mr. R. L. Crisp chair. Letters read from Mr. Hazell and Mr. Runchman. Messrs. Watcham and Johnson were elected joint secs. and all correspondence should be addressed to 192, Mare-street, Hackney. Mr. Silver was elected on committee in place of Mr. Johnson, and Mr. F. Knight was elected vice-president of the association as a mark of appreciation for past services. Auditors for 1915, Messrs. Sayer and Cook.—A. Wallington

EAST HAM F.S.

First monthly show, headquarters, Earl of Wakefield. 125 exhibits were on view. Mr. Fleet judged cage bird section. Mr. Arnell won silver spoon for best bird with a lovely Thrush. Yorks: 1, Potter, 2, Mead. Yorks Var.: 1, Mead; 2, Potter. Nor.: 1, Turner. Nor. Var.: 1, Turner; 2, Arnell. Goldf.: 1, Wadsworth; 2, Potter. A.O. Hardbill: 1, 3, Turner; 2, vhc, he, Wadsworth. Softbill: 1, sp.—Arnell.—W. A. Harwood, Hon. Sec.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Meeting, April 12, Parish Hall, Church Road, Mr. Bartlett chair, and a good attendance. An egg food-making competition was held, and Mr. W. East was the winner, Mr. T. Collinge coming second. Mr. W. F. Taylor judged. After he had given his reasons for placing the awards, he gave a demonstration of his own way of making egg food. A number of questions were asked and answered, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Taylor terminated a pleasant evening.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

SPRINGBURN, POSSIL PK. C.B.S.

Meeting, April 14, Reid Hall, Mr. A. Sloan chair. Mr. Jamieson judged the exhibits. Brit. Goldf.: 1, T. Fraser; 2, 4, J. Fyfe; 3, spl, D. F. Webster. Bullf.: 1, J. Anderson. Greenf.: 1, T. Fraser; 2, spl, J. Brown; 3, J. Anderson; 4, J. McNash; 5, R. Robertson. Siskin: 1, J. Brown; 2, D. F. Webster. For. Goldf.: 1, J. Fyfe. Mr. Pinnock is presenting a rose bowl for best young birds, closed ring, at annual show. Vote of thanks to chairman and judge terminated the meeting.—J. Waugh, Sec. and Treas.

SOUTH WALES R.C.C.

Very successful meeting at headquarters, April 13, with an excellent muster, Mr. W. Evans chair. Unanimously decided to hold our show on Dec. 15 and 16. Secs. please note to avoid clashing. Also decided that Sec. make a special appeal to all Welsh Roller fanciers to give us their support; we think it their duty to support the only Roller society in Wales. The Sec. would be pleased to receive the names of any fanciers wishing to join in with us. Next meeting April 27; business important. John Welch, Hon. Sec., 118, Swansea-rd., Llanelly.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

A general meeting will be held at headquarters, April 26, to consider the club's programme for next show season, and it is hoped that all members who can will make a special effort to be present. I shall also be pleased to hear from the Provincial Committee their views upon specials, patronage, etc. Mr. H. C. Humphries is offering two specials for closed ring birds, details to be decided by committee. Members please note, subs. are now due and also send me their advts. for the new manuals.—Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec.

WALLSEND C.B.A.

General meeting, April 14, Station Hotel, Mr. J. Heslop presiding over a large attendance. New members elected: Messrs. T. Render, J. Hunter, W. Affleck, A. Affleck (Byker), W. Simpson, C. Wake (Walker), White, T. Messenger, J. Muse (Wallsend), M. Potts (Heaton), E. Malia, G. Purvis (Newcastle), G. Brown (Willington Quay), G. Jackson (New York, Northumberland). We have elected three well-known judges for our annual show: Messrs. G. Dobinson (Seaton Delaval), W. Thomson (Newton Grange), Borders; and C. Waters (Sunderland), British. Nominated judges for N.F. show, Mr. Crawhall (Newcastle), Mr. Smith (South Shields). Two of our members have joined the Army; it was decided to retain them as members free of all subs., and it was hoped that they would be back before the show season came around. Members note, next meeting classification for N.F. show, so please turn up and get the classes you want. A vote of thanks to chair ended a very pleasant meeting. New members heartily invited. —G. Greenwell, Sec.

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BEAMISH C.B.S.

Meeting Apr. 17, Mr. S. Elliot chair, with a good attendance. Mr. R. S. Bewick was elected judge for annual show, Oct. 23. Mr. Jones and Mr. W. Ward were elected members. We would like to see a good number of members at our next meeting to form a scheme to get a trophy for for best young bird bred 1915, as our young bird cup has been won outright by Mr. Coates at our last annual show.—J. H. Elliot, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting Apr. 14, at headquarters, Mr. Hillman in chair, with a fair attendance. Chief business, annual F.F. show. Three new members were proposed. After society business Mr. J. S. Jones gave a lecture on Yorkshires, which proved very interesting, and at the end a hearty vote of thanks was given the lecturer. Mr. Greeves promised to give a lecture next meeting, Apr. 26, on Norwich. Members please attend, as we shall learn something. Subs. are overdue.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec. (The lecture will appear in an early issue.—Editor C.B.)

LEITH O.S.

Meeting April 19, Liberal Club Hall, President (Mr. James Lumsden) chair. Sec. reported he had secured the same Hall as last year for Annual Show, Nov. 13. Judges: Scotch Fancy, Mr. A. Hamilton, Caldercruix; and Mr. J. Pringle, Selkirk; Nor., Mr. Wm. Grewar, Lochgelly; Borders, Mr. J. Hamilton, Eckbank, and Mr. Wm. Thomson, Newtongrange; Brit., Mr. J. Sykes, Musselburgh. Mr. G. W. Currie, M.P., has kindly consented to become a patron of the Society. Annual ramble fixed for May 15. New members admitted: Bernard Rice, Charles Watt, and James Starmont. Next meeting May 8, when arrangements will be made for ramble.—G. W. Brown, Sec.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.

I would like to appeal to the members for better attendance at our meetings, as it is very disheartening to call meetings and then not enough members turn up to be able to get any business done. It would be a pity to see the society fall through, as it is well supported by donations which enabled us to pay 9s. per class at our last members' show, February 13, and we have a good many new members just starting the Fancy. So if members would attend the meetings we may be able to get something up for their benefit and encouragement. We have left the date of show and judges over till next meeting, when I would like to see a good turn-up.—J. W. Robson, Sec.

GREENOCK, PORT GLASGOW AND GOUROCK O.S.

Meeting, Club Room, Shepherds' Hall, Apr. 7, Mr. D. Molloy, president, chair, with a good attendance. Mr. Roddin gave auditors' report, showing a balance in hand of £4 10s., which was considered satisfactory. Mr. Molloy suggested that we have lectures and hand-washing exhibitions on an early date for the benefit of members, and Messrs. Allison and Campbell, Gourock, intimated their willingness to get an experienced fancier to come to next meeting and give a demonstration on washing, when it is hoped there will be a large attendance. New members proposed. Messrs. H. Webster, J. McAleese, E. Hunt, J. Laird. Next meeting, May 5. —J. Dooley, Sec.

LONDON AND P.O.S.

Meeting at headquarters, Apr. 15, Mr. J. Hodder chair, with a lecture by Mr. J. Robson, on the general management of the birdroom. He spoke of cages, how and when best to pair up, feeding, egg-food preparation, treatment of young, colour feeding, and showing. He gave the fanciers present several fresh ideas and hints, in fact laid before them his whole long experience in breeding and general management. A great many questions were asked, which the lecturer answered to everyone's satisfaction. A vote of thanks to Mr. Robson brought a most interesting evening to a close. We had a splendid muster of members and friends, and I was pleased to notice Mr. Loach, of Wolverhampton, present; if other provincial members happen to be in London on a meeting night, I shall be pleased to welcome them if they will just drop me a line. At next meeting on Thursday, May 20, Mr. Allen Silver is lecturing on Foreign Birds; fanciers and friends welcome.—H. L. Huggins, hon. sec., 129, Myddleton Road., Bowes Park, N.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Meeting, Marlboro' Hotel, Apl. 14, with a splendid gathering, Mr. Willmott in the chair, supported by Vice-Chairman Hughes and full committee. New member elected, making six this season. Decided to ask Mr. Roe to judge the first young bird show and Mr. Russell the July show, also Mr. Jefferies to give his lecture on British birds at the May meeting; members please note we shall commence the meetings at 8 while these important lectures and debates are on. It is encouraging to all to find such good attendances considering the society is in the midst of the armaments and war material factories. A very interesting and instructive lecture was given by Mr. Burke on the breeding and rearing of the Yorkshire Canary, amongst the very many useful items in which was his statement that he had no egg-binding. He believed and proved this to be due to the use of a piece of bacon fat cut into pieces the size of a lump of sugar and fixed in the bars for the hen to peck at. A useful food in place of egg was oatmeal slightly baked in the oven, well ground Indian meal, and some good quality of biscuit mixed with it; soaked rape dried and well strained should be put into this, and the whole kept in a jar; the rape helps to keep same just moist. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Burke closed another very enjoyable evening.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

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SCOTTISH PLAINHEAD CLUB.

Annual general meeting, 142, High Street, Edinburgh, Apr. 17, Mr. A. Sloan chair. Balance sheet was approved of. Officers elected:—Committee—West: Messrs. A. Maxwell, A. Chalmers, A. Sloan, J. Young; J. McLay, F. Taylor; East and South: W. Aitchison, A. M. Gardiner, Jas. Winter, A. G. Cameron, J. F. Dewar, D. Noble; North: W. Allison, G. Mitchell, W. Grewar, T. Adamson, A. G. Forrest, J. Hector. Judges: A. Maxwell, E. Barron, A. G. Cameron, W. Grewar, Jas. Winter, J. McLay. Auditors, W. Hutchison, J. F. Park. Scrutineers, W. R. Finnie, W. R. Dunn. Sec., E. Barron. Mr. J. Young, Rutherglen, whose name appeared in error under the North Section, was allowed to count the votes accredited to him in each section, and as a consequence secured fourth place in the committee representing the West. The President handed over the medals won during the year to the winners present. Medal winners for year:—Gold medal, cock, J. McLeod, Glasgow; hen, W. Simpson, Airdrie; silver medals, W. Aitchison, R. Martin, W. Allison, M. Smith, W. Grewar, A. Chalmers, A. Finnie, A. Maxwell, E. Barron, J. McLeod, R. B. Cairns, J. C. Murray. President, Mr. Sloan, intimated his intention of giving one guinea prize for novices this season. Members elected: Messrs. R. Young, W. Jackson, J. Kelly, J. Livingston, M. Melville, W. Melville, F. Stevenson, A. Craig, P. Clark, P. Murray, J. Hope, R. Smellie, W. Foote, Jas. Thompson, J. Crawford, E. Hadley, T. Fraser, W. Young, R. Robertson. Rings for young birds can be had from the Sec. Subs. are now due and members are respectfully requested to remember the special fund; a small donation will be gratefully received. Fanciers are invited to support the club by joining. Full particulars can be had from E. Barron, 119, Montrose Street, Glasgow.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

PENDLEBURY AND SWINTON.

Linnet contest, April 17, 40 birds entered for time and quality. Quality: 1, Holcroft; 2, Dixon; 3, Ashworth. Time: 1, 2, Dick Statham; 3, Almond. Judges, Holcroft and Bates; timers, Winn and Ashworth; minute man, G. Almond. Don't forget Hinesford next week.—Alex Donuelly.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge-st., April 17, for 4 prizes; 4 minutes time singing: 1, Watkiss, 122; 2, Nelson, 89; 3, Morley, 87; 4, Wainwright, 72. Open sing, April 18, for 3 prizes: 1, Watkiss, 106; 2, Nelson, 100; 3, Morley, 73.—S. Morley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, held April 17, 27 birds entered for 3 prizes: 1, Cooper; 2, Plows; 3, Atkinson. Time-keepers, R. Plows, O. Potter; tappers W. Perkin, A. Cooper. Some good singing was heard, only 2 seconds dividing the three winners, practically near enough for all to have shared. Our membership is gradually increasing.—R. Plows, Sec.

CARNFORTH.

Linnet singing, 32 birds, April 10, a good company assembled to hear the best birds in the county. Mr. Wm. Fairless judged; Stubbs time-keeper. 1, Walker, Broom Park; 2, Worthington, Wheatley Hill; 3, Wheatley, Thornley; 4, Grame, Trimdon.—Sec., T. Armstrong.

Linnet singing contest at J. Marquis, Good Intent, Carnforth, Saturday, April 24 at 2. Judge, Fairless. —(Advt.)

BARNSLEY.

Linnet sing, Commercial Hotel, New Street, for 5 minutes' time singing. The singing was not up to the usual standard. Mr. Shepherd timer, A. Warcing chalker. April 17: 1, Coe, 3 mins. 49 secs.; 2, Jones, 3 mins. 37 secs; 3, Cawthorne, 3 mins. 27 secs. April 18, the singing improved a bit. 1, 2, Jones; 4-13, 3-51; 3, Cawthorne, 3-37; 4, Coe, 3-27.—Hardman, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, April 17. 29 birds entered for three prizes, four minutes' sing. Some good singing was done, and we had a record sing: 1, Scotson, 170; 2, Beard, 153; 3, Beard, 143. Open sing, April 18, 31 birds entered for three prizes: 1, Beard, 118; 2, Jones, 113; 3, Nelson, 110. Nine birds did over 100 seconds each. Open sing, April 24. Come and hear some good singing.—S. Pugh, Sec.

(Please see notice above as to notices of forthcoming contests.—Editor.)

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, April 17. 18 birds sang for three prizes: 1, 2, C. Ward; 3, J. Chadwick. Judges, Naylor and Clegg. April 18, 34 sang for 4 prizes: 1, Richardson; 2, Howarth; 3, J. Chadwick; 4, G. Hirst. Judges: Bardcastle, Butler, J. Thompson. Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing for Linnets held old bird house, Skinners' Arms, Buslingthorpe, April 11. 1, 3, Binns, 2, Hulton. April 18 19 best birds in Yorkshire competed for three prizes. We had friends from outside districts to hear the finest singing possible. 1, Binns; 2, King; 3, Hulton. Judges, C. Clayton, J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

SITTING AND FEEDERS (H. S.).—(1) Yes, Yorkshire hens hatched in one year usually breed and sit the following year, and in the main there is no objection to allowing them to do so, though in certain special cases it may be the wiser course to keep them over a year before allowing them to breed. But the usual thing is to mate them up and breed with them in the year following their birth. (2) "Feeding hens" are of no special breed, or even strain, but are just any kind of hen Canary that can be trusted to feed and bring up a brood of young until they are able to do for themselves. As a rule, common or nondescript hens are the best and most reliable for the purpose, but they cannot all be trusted implicitly any more than the better class breeds.

CASUAL LAYING (Crest).—(1) The hen is not in proper breeding condition, and the dandelion would not necessarily affect the laying, though in the case of weakly hens, which are very susceptible to laying troubles, this green food is certainly better avoided. Leave the birds together, and treat in the usual way, giving a small teaspoonful of egg-food to the pair three times a week, and a similar quantity of mixed seeds on the intervening days, and go on giving a little dandelion daily until the hen has completed a normal clutch, which she probably will do in the course of two or three weeks. You may give every day a small stool of the plant, cut off just below the surface of the ground. You might have put the two eggs under another hen with a small clutch which was about sitting at that time, but I am afraid it is too late for that now. (2) Keeping the hen with the cock will certainly tend to induce attempts at nesting, whether you wish her to do so or not. You can do nothing at all to prevent at least the laying of eggs under such circumstances. To help to avert any ill-effects give

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

the pair a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn in the water for three consecutive days, and after this give instead six drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of steel, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week or fortnight afterwards to tone the hen up a bit. You would do well to allow only one brood this season.

LOSING VITALITY (Very Anxious).—The cock is probably rather young—possibly a late-bred one last season—and not yet in very good breeding condition. In this case he will improve a lot in the next week or two, and will doubtless be good for at least one full brood of young. You should give the pair a small teaspoonful of egg-food with about half the quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it every second day, and on the alternate days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and teazle. Also give a small growing stool of freshly-gathered dandelion each day. Continue this treatment for a month, or until the hen has gone to nest and laid her clutch of eggs. Beyond this you can only exercise patience.

HEN EATING OFF FEET (W. T. J., Wednesbury).—It is not possible to say definitely what is the cause of hens eating off the feet of young in the nest. In some cases it is doubtless due to accident; but in others to a perverted appetite or cannibalistic tendencies in the parent. But that is all speculation and theory, which does not help much. There is no real cure that I know of, though a small piece of rind of fat boiled bacon fastened on the end of a perch for the hen to peck at is said to act as a preventive in some cases. However that may be, the best and most rational preventive, if the young are valuable, is to promptly remove them to a more natural and careful hen to be fed and reared.

A BIG START (T. F.).—I am afraid you made a mistake in starting at the very beginning with 20 pairs. You would have done much better had you begun with three or four pairs for this year and thereby gained a little practical experience which would have done you good service next season, when you might have made a bigger plunge. Anyway, with the next rounds try removing the cock from those hens which would not feed the last broods when the cock was with them, leaving the hens to hatch and rear the young by themselves. Remove him on the evening of the third day when you are returning the eggs for the hen to commence sitting. Do not use apple now as a substitute for green-food. After commencing to sit, leave the hens as much as possible to themselves, and interfere with them and the nests as little as you possibly can. Be rather sparing in the use of hemp whilst the hens are sitting and for the first fortnight after the young are hatched, and avoid dandelion as a green food for those hens which have shown themselves poor feeders with the last broods. Give a little crisp young lettuce, or the tender tips of young groundsel with the flower buds on the third day after the young are hatched, and continue this twice daily thereafter. If the hens show signs of slackness in attending to the young, at once offer a bath in which you have dissolved sufficient common salt to make it to taste faintly saline, and you may also offer a little soaked rape seed in addition to the usual egg food. With these suggestions, and the general routine of management given in "Canary Breeding for Beginners," you will, I think, succeed better with the next round of nests. But remember that non-interference will probably be the greatest factor in achieving success.

NOT SITTING (New Beginner).—Sorry, but I cannot explain why it is that a hen will not sit after building a nest and laying seven eggs, except that I should imagine it was sheer cussedness on her part. You cannot reason with such creatures, and can do nothing at all to compel such a hen to sit if she does not want to do so. Did you remove the eggs as laid, and not keep a dummy one in the nest whilst the clutch was being laid? This is sometimes responsible for a hen refusing to sit. Or is it likely that you have two hens paired?

GOING BLIND (W. M.).—I am sorry to have to say that no treatment will be of the slightest avail. The bird is suffering from cataract, for which there is no remedy. If you cage it alone, it will live happily enough in its way for the full average length of time, and, if a cock, will sing freely enough after a time, but it is useless worrying it with treatment which will do it no good at all.

GETTING HER RIGHT (Enquirer).—It would be a far better thing to reject the bird as a stock bird than to try to patch her up for breeding, seeing that she is obviously so weak in stamina. It is folly to breed with birds that require patching up for the purpose. Still, you may give her a small teaspoonful of egg food or any good substitute with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it every third day for two or three weeks, and on the intervening days give first a third of a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame seed, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet and linseed. For green food give a small growing stool of dandelion daily, gathered fresh each day, with blossoms and seed heads altogether. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence every second day for a week, and after this give six drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of steel, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for another week.

EGG SUBSTITUTE (Novice, R. C. D.).—Whilst not going so far as to say that the food you mention is quite as good as the usual egg and bread or biscuit food, I may say that it is a good substitute, and useful and wholesome for ordinary use out of the breeding season, and has also been used successfully as a complete substitute for egg food in the rearing of young. In my opinion, when used for rearing young, a rather greater supply of green food is advisable to keep the bowels in regular order.

PERISHED WITH COLD (Sweating).—A hen that behaves in the way yours has done can hardly be termed a "sweating hen." As this is her first nest, I think it is very likely that she will do better and rear her young all right in the future, so that no special treatment is really necessary. Still, if she is a valuable hen, it would be a wise course to provide for any contingency by having a pair of good feeders available to take over the duties of rearing the next brood, or broods, if necessary. You do not say whether you removed the cock when she began to sit last time, but if you did so, try leaving him with her next time; on the other hand, if he was not removed last time, try removing him this time, taking him away on the evening of the third day when you are returning the eggs for the hen to commence sitting. If she appears to neglect her duties when the young are hatched next time, offer in addition to the usual egg food a little soaked rape in a separate vessel and give a small spray of crisp young groundsel or lettuce freshly gathered three or four times a day from the first.

ROLLERS FOR PLEASURE (H. A.).—Personally, I have no doubt the bird you specially refer to is a hen, and I feel equally convinced the person referred to would gladly remedy what is probably only an excusable error had you returned the bird to him for inspection with a polite note drawing his attention to the matter. As regards the selection of a trio of birds, I do not think you could do better than place yourself in the hands of the private breeder you name, explain your aims to him, name the price you are prepared to pay and the quality of song you would like, and leave the selection to him. You might ask for a yellow cock, lightly variegated, or, if you prefer a green, you may have either a self or broken yellow-green, and two buff hens to match. But even this it would perhaps be best to leave to the breeder, who knows the pedigree of the birds and their special bent in the breeding cage. It is certainly late now to expect untried birds, and perhaps it would be best to wait a little, until, at least, the first rounds were out of the nests.

LAYING AND NOT NESTING (King's Lynn).—The birds were clearly not in breeding condition when you put them together, and this is the reason they have not made any real attempts at nesting. Now that the season is more advanced, they should soon begin to show signs of more serious intent. To expedite matters, give to the pair every second day, in addition to the staple diet, a small teaspoonful of egg food with half the quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternate days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts niger, millet, teazle, linseed and broken groats. Give a freshly gathered stool of dandelion, with blossoms and seed heads daily; cut off root just below the surface of ground, and give to the birds entire. This will suffice to bring them into condition at this season if they are really fit subjects for breeding stock.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

MULE BREEDING (Would be Breeder). All your arrangements appear to be quite satisfactory. If you value the young Canaries that the hens are rearing, I would advise you to get them well out of hand before starting the hens nesting again, or they may neglect to feed them. (2) No, do not place the cock Canary in the middle compartment of the cage; you will require this to shut the Goldie off from the hens occasionally. For instance, if you are expecting a hen to lay, do not leave him with her overnight, but wait until she has laid and you have removed the egg before running him with her again; some Goldies destroy the eggs on sight, and it is as well to be on the safe side. (3) Your feeding appears to be right, although I rather fancy you are a bit too liberal with egg food for the Goldie; do not overdo it, it is a mistake to force them too much. One of our books on Mule breeding would be useful to you just now.

AN AILING MOOR HEN (A. H., Indge).—It is rather unfortunate that you know so little about the history of your Moorhen. If the bird was caught in the condition you mention, I am very doubtful if you will ever get it right again. In a state of nature it must have had the insects, wild food, etc., that is natural to the species, and artificial food would only increase the malady. If, on the other hand, it was in good condition when caught, it is very likely that the treatment since has been the cause of the trouble. Your feeding now appears to be the best that can be managed for the bird in captivity, and I would suggest that you continue to feed him in the same way for another fortnight or three weeks. If at the end of that period you see no improvement you had better have him painlessly destroyed. The posture when the bird is at rest is very much like that of growing chickens when they suffer from cramp and leg weakness; try rubbing daily with embrocation, and give the bird soft dry material, such as moss or peat litter, to rest on.

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should consult Boulton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/8); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

THRUSH WITH INJURY (F. and F.).—There cannot be very much the matter with your Thrush, as he is still in song. In all wild creatures injuries are quickly repaired, and I would advise you to leave him alone, feeding upon nutritious but not stimulating food, mix a little extra scraped raw carrot or green stuff with his usual food, but if you find that he does not improve you had better catch him and place him in a cage and dress the wound, as you did before. (2) I do not think he requires any medical treatment; as a rule colds in birds are not of long standing, they either prove fatal or the bird makes a speedy recovery.

THRUSH WITH FIT (J. Y.).—You have omitted to send your name and address with your query, which is contrary to our rules; kindly send it on a postcard. The cause of the fits that your bird is suffering from is improper treatment. Discontinue the Lark food, and procure a pound of good insectile food as used for Nightingales and small Warblers, feed him upon this for a time, mixing with it scraped raw carrot, chopped watercress, or lettuce, and sometimes boiled potatoes. When he has recovered you can occasionally give other food for a change, such as soaked chicken meal, or a good brand of Thrush food. Before making the change in diet, give as much Glauber Salts as will cover a shilling dissolved in three tablespoonfuls of water for one day only, repeating two days later. Let him bathe frequently, giving the bath in the early part of the day and place him in the most roomy cage you have

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

FEATHER EATING (T. Smith.).—It is most probably the milk sop which has occasioned the trouble, which will entail much patience and perseverance to eradicate; in fact, once the vice has been indulged in to any extent it is seldom entirely given up. Stop the milk sop, and in addition to the seed mixture supply ripe fruit (sweet apple, banana, etc.), nuts, plain biscuit and plain cake; also keep cuttlebone, grit and pieces of wood continually in the cage. If it sulks for the sop, then moisten a stale crust, after it has been sprinkled with sugar, with chemical food and water, and dust it with flour of sulphur. Give it one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day for a month, and on the intervening days lightly colour the water with chemical food. Spray it every other day with a tepid quassia solution, keeping the bird strictly out of draught till dry. As soon as the weather becomes really warm put it out of doors for several hours daily in some unexposed position. Keep the bird where it will have plenty of company, give it a piece of a branch, cotton reels, etc., to play with, and keep it occupied. You must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Do not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps or any kind of animal food. Report progress a month hence. Our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2½d. post free from our Manager, would help you in the general treatment of your bird.

GREY PARROT (L. Clark).—Give the following mixture: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts—for use take half a teaspoonful to one ounce of water, this mixture to form the drinking water for the time being; you must not use a metal drinker. The bowels must be kept moving quite freely, giving occasional doses of Dinneford's magnesia to secure this, but the voidings should not be allowed to remain watery loose. Give ten drops of cod liver oil emulsion daily on a crust, piece of cake, or anything absorptive the bird will eat. The bird must be kept warm, this will do more than the drugs. Also keep it out of the way of cold winds and all draught. You do not state how you are feeding it; the dietary should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, plain cake, biscuits and stale dry crusts. Cuttlebone, grit and pieces of wood should continually be in the cage. If there should be anything in the nature of a fit you must write again at once. Once or twice a day you could give it a few sips of the following as a stimulant: One dessert spoonful of boiling water, half teaspoonful of condensed milk, and five drops of brandy; stir well together and allow to cool. Report progress in a couple of weeks.

CONGO PARROT ILL (Heard). Warmth will do this bird more good than any other treatment, and you should let him have his bath as usual unless the weather is really cold the water should be tepid. Keep the bowels moving quite freely; give the fluid magnesia sufficiently often to secure this, but the voidings must not be watery-loose. Give a few sips of the following to drink at intervals during the day one dessert spoonful of boiling water, half teaspoonful Nestle's milk and five drops of brandy; stir well together and allow to cool. All the items of diet you name it can have, and give ten drops cod liver oil emulsion daily on a piece of cake or anything similar that the bird will eat. The porridge will not hurt him, and you could give the cod liver oil emulsion in that. You might put a little honey and borax in its mouth, not much at a time, twice daily; you can easily do this from the end of a small stick, but the stick must be well cleansed each time after use. Keep the cage fairly near the fire and where it will be quite out of the way of cold winds or draught. When not

giving the magnesia, half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates should be put in the drinking water. You had better report progress after ten days of above treatment.

BUDGERIGARS (Griffiths).—It is not the preparing of the husk that has worn the bird's bill away, there is some other reason for this. It all depends upon the extent and the nature of the injury; if the bird is eating well it is a matter of observation to ascertain this. If the injury affects her adversely to any extent she will not trouble about the nest. If the injury is as extensive as your letter implies it would be better to painlessly destroy it and get another hen. Of course, in time the beak may be renewed, and if you have another cage or enclosure where it will be out of sight of the cock, you may give it a trial. Note, two eggs are but part of the clutch, 5 to 7 are the usual clutch, and if no more are laid by the time you get this reply you can safely assume that the injury has thrown her out of breeding condition, and it will be well either to isolate her or kill her and get another mate for your bird. In the latter case, the eggs, of course, should be removed from the husks. There is plenty of time to make a start yet, as Budgies go on breeding right up to the moult.

BUDGERIGARS (Ruth).—Three pairs should do well in your cage, but as soon as they settle down to nesting all young will have to be promptly removed as soon as they are able to fend for themselves, as your cage only supplies accommodation for the breeding pairs. Give them from now onwards as much flowering and seeding grass as they will eat, also a slice of sweet apple to nibble at, and a leaf of lettuce occasionally after cutting out the fleshy central stem. You will, I am afraid, have to exercise your patience a little; under the conditions of cage-life they do not settle down to nesting as quickly as when enjoying the liberty of an aviary. Nevertheless, they have been bred frequently in roomy cages, and your birds will ultimately settle down and delight you with some young ones. You might also give about a table spoonful of oats twice a week.

INDIAN PARROT (Pollie).—Give this bird one tea-poonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days lightly colour the water with chemical food, but you must not use a metal drinker while supplying the above, which should be continued for some time. If you can induce the bird to take it, slightly moisten with tepid water a piece of plain cake, biscuit, or stale crust (whichever the bird fancies best) and dust it with flowers of sulphur, give this daily for a time. Give a seed mixture as follows: One quart each canary, white millet, and oats, one pint each wheat, hemp, sunflower, and shelled pea-nuts, well mix, and keep a supply continually in the cage. Supply some ripe fruit daily, and keep cuttlebone, grit, and a piece of wood continually in the cage.

WEST AFRICAN GREY (F. C. L. D.).—Your treatment reads quite good, and I take it the bird is only a little out of order. I would change the seed mixture, procure a quart each of the following, and well mix them together: Canary, white millet, hemp, oats, wheat, sunflower and shelled pea or monkey nuts; before mixing add a few chillies; also try and induce it to take some ripe fruit daily—apple, banana, or any kind it fancies. As a corrective give one tea-spoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days lightly colour the water with chemical food—you must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Spray the bird twice a week with a tepid quassia solution; this will help to make the plumage distasteful. Treat as above for at least a month, then report progress. Our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2½d. post free from our manager, would help you in the care of your bird.

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W. S. Ryder.—Canary died of pneumonia.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. O'Neill.—Both the Leinster O.S. and the South County Dublin C.B.A. hold a show annually. The respective Secretaries are: Mr. C. Holley, 66, Fitzroy-aveu., Drumcondra, Dublin; and Mr. D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli-terr., N., Kingstown.

M. Woodhouse.—Thanks for cuttings kindly sent; you will see that we have been able to make use of one of them.

E. D. H. Daly and others.—Thanks for the cutting re Birds' Anvils. We have referred to it in our Twitterings column.

Mite Hater.—Methods of dealing with grey lice have many times been given in our query columns, and we have sent your enquiry to our Mr. St. John, who will reply next week as to your individual case. You did not send your name and address as per rule.

A Member.—We are dealing with the matter you mention.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Blaydon C.B.S.—May 1, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Consider schedule for next annual show, and other business.—G. Havver.

Bradford National Show.—Apr. 28, Market Tavern, 8. Classification and judges; fanciers please attend.—S. Midgley.

Clay Cross C.B.S.—May 1, Angel Hotel, 7. Table Show, two classes: Green. and Linnet, 3d. per cage, winner takes all entry money.—J. Griffiths.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Apr. 24, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. To hear report of the three combined shows.—Smith and Lees.

Cinnamon Marked Y.C.C.—Annual General Meeting postponed to June 1, Market Tavern, Bedford, 6.30.—R. Garnett.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Apr. 26, Church Institute, 60, Paddingtou-st., W., 8. Judging competition in six classes of British; also practical lecture on British Birds by Mr. C. Prior.—E. Wynn.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Apr. 24, Club Hall, 6.30.—W. H. Christer.

Chester C.B.C.—Apr. 27, Boot Inn, Chester, 8. Important; kindly note time and attend; arrangements N.F. Show; also whether to have open or members' show later.—H. Hibbert, Assist. Sec.

Crewe O.S.—April 27, Burton Hotel, 8. Cup and medals.—W. L. Crott.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—April 24, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 6.30. To decide date and arrange classes for F.F. show; new members enrolled.—G. T. Lynn.

Derby C.B.S.—Apr. 24, Normanton Hotel, 7. Fixing show dates (Club).—F. W. Jordan.

East Ham F.S.—General meeting, Headquarters, May 6, at 8. Report of first monthly show and lecture by T. G. Bransford, on the fancy in general; visitors welcome.—W. A. Harwood, Hon. Sec.

Fife and Kinross, Norwich P.H.C.—May 1, Masonic Arms, Cowdenbeath, 7.—H. M'Gowan.

Falkirk Good Intent C.B.A.—Apr. 24, Temporary Hall, Graham's-rd., 7.30. First monthly meeting of the year; business important.—W. Clarkson.

Farnworth C.B.S.—April 28, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Special meeting; important business.—W. Dawson.

Glasgow and W. of Scotland O.S.—April 27, Masonic Halls, West Regent Street, 8. Show of four classes—Light Mule or Hyb., Dark, Bramble or Chaffinch, and A.O. Brit.—A. K. Chalmers.

Glasgow and W Counties' Club.—May 1, 129, Ingram-st., 7. Show, 5 classes: Green., Siskin, Lesser Redpoll, Twite, Mealy Redpoll. Nomination of judges, etc.—J. H. Adam.

Grimsby O.S.—Apr. 29, Slatter's Rooms, 160, Freeman-st., 8. Lecture on Canaries by Mr. H. Harding, and general business; fanciers heartily invited.—J. Y. Cotterill.

Hanley C.B.S.—Apr. 28, 28, Mayer-st., Hanley, 8. N.F. Show, arranging cups for the season; also new members.—C. Beckett.

Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—Apr. 26, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Pk. Hill, N., 8.30. Lecture by Mr. G. E. Weston on "The Egg and the Hen Canary." Members please attend and bring a friend.—J. Hyde.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—Apr. 27, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8. A. Roberts.

Larkhall C.B.A.—May 1, V.M. Halls, 7. Reply from judges; next annual show Oct. 30; other special business; new members invited.—T. McGregor.

Laisterdyke, Bowling and Tong Combination.—April 23, Napoleon Hotel, 7.30 prompt, owing to early closing. Combination shows, ramble, cricket match. If possible the cup will be on view. Subs. due.—J. E. Hudson.

Leigh C.B.S.—Apr. 28, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Mr. J. Lomas will open a discussion on the best methods of making egg food; friends invited.—R. Charleson.

Manchester Fanciers C.S.C.—Apr. 28, 32, Victoria-st., 8. General business and arranging supper and social.—R. J. Metcalfe.

Midland Roller Canary Club.—Apr. 29, Seven Stars, John's-lane, Wolverhampton, 8. General business; M. Jacquemin will give a paper on "Roller Canaries"; members requiring rings please attend.—J. W. Thomson.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, East End C.B.S.—Apr. 28, Hall's Cafe, Heaton Assembly Rooms, Heaton-rd., 7.30. Notice of motion given at last meeting to rescind rule bearing on radius for judges; question of N.F. Show; other important business.—J. W. Coutts.

National British Bird and M.C.—April 29, Feathers Hotel, Westminster, S.W., 8. Ramble.—E. Stephens.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—April 28, Club-room, Alhambra Theatre, 8.30. Gen. bus.; subs. due; ramble, etc. F.F. show June 19.—A. W. Newton.

Oldham C.B.S.—Apr. 27, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Members and fanciers please note that we are arranging a ramble at this meeting; all invited.—G. Mills.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Apr. 28, Headquarters, 7. Show business, also a lecture on Norwich by Mr. Greeves.—J. S. Jones.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Apr. 25, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation-st., Manchester, 6. Ordinary business.—A. Percival.

Poplar C.B.S.—Apr. 29, Allhallows School Room, East India Dock Road, Poplar, 8. Secretary's report; election of officers and others; most important business.—F. H. Marhoff.

Richmond (Surrey).—Apr. 26, St. John's Hall, 8. Mr. J. Robson will lecture on Breeding and Management.—G. Birch.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Apr. 24, Mail Coach Inn, 7. Classes for N.F. Shows; delegates report of combined shows.—J. E. Taylor.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Apr. 24, Fawcett-st. Cafe, 7.30. Members classes; question of rule books; question night May 8; paper from each member with question to be answered.—J. Peacock.

Southern Border F.C.—Apr. 26, Headquarters, 8. Arrangements for next show season.—G. Burton.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—Apr. 27, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Printing, show room, etc., for F.F. Show.—W. Stafford.

Sittingbourne C.B.S.—Apr. 26, Headquarters, 8. Date of N.F. and annual show; select judges for same; also other very important business.—T. Monday.

Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—Apr. 24, Mrs. H. Abbots' Tea rooms, 5.30. Electing a cage bird judge, egg show, and other important business; intending members please attend.—Dodd and Wilford.

Wombwell B.F.S.—May 1, Wesleyan Schoolroom, Park-st., 7. N.F. show business.—J. W. Dean.

West Stanley, Victoria F.F. and C.B.S.—Apr. 25, Club Room, 7. Replies from judges.—R. Hutchinson.

Windhill C.B.S.—May 1, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Prizes for members' shows; classification for open show and other important business.—J. Taylor.

Warrington C.B.S.—April 29, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, Schedule for open show and table show for h.—H. Warburton.

Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. Apr. 24 Market Tav[ern], 6.30.—Allocating judges; election of sub-com[mittee], and other important business.—S. Midgley.

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FOREIGN BIRDS.

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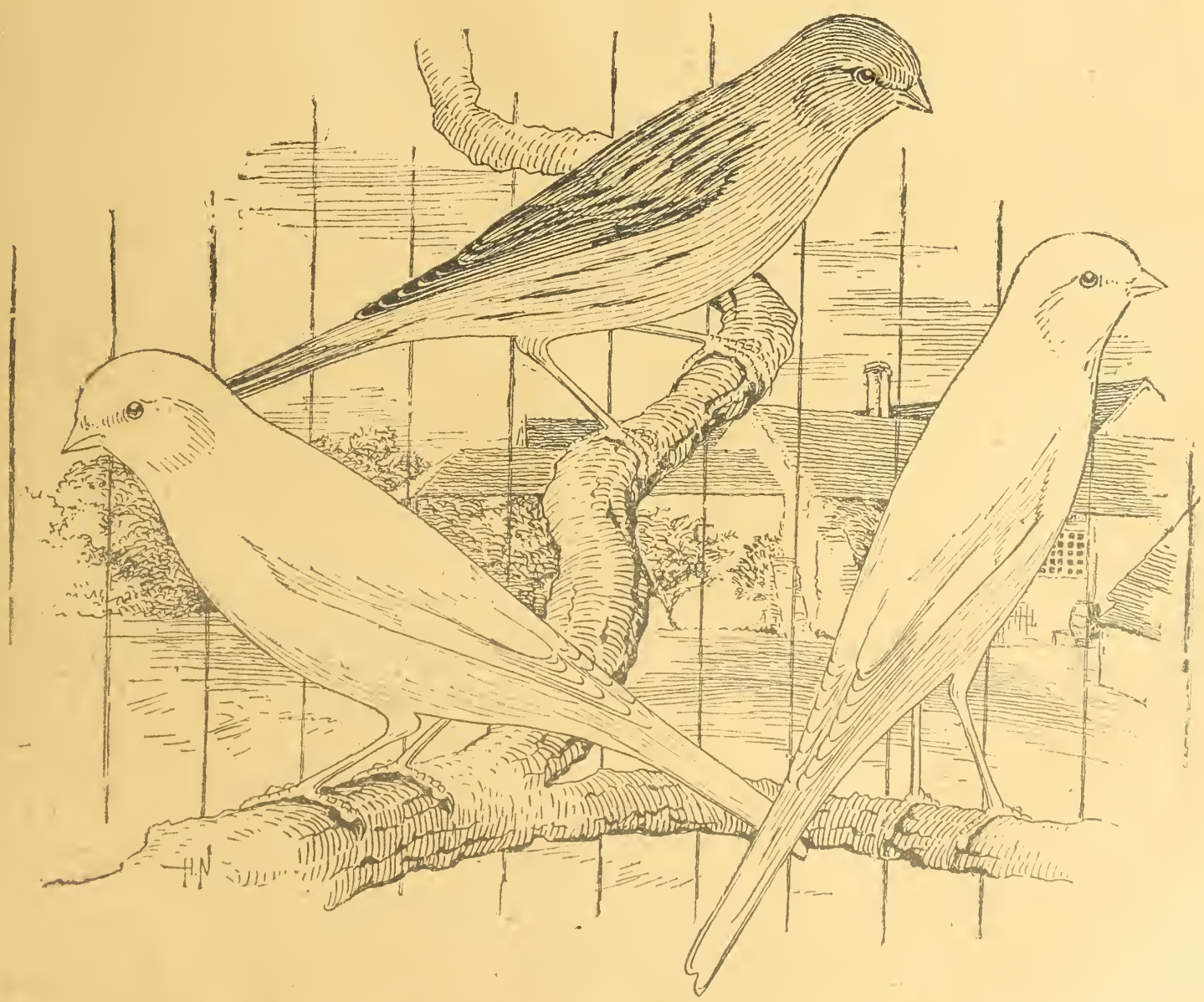

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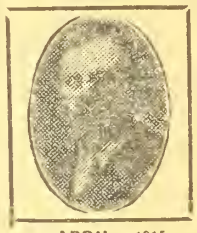

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PAIR champion Norwich, Roberts' strain, cost 50/-, sell for 30/-, 1914 bred: Lane, Rossell-rd., Cleveleys, near Blackpool. (271)

YOUNG Norwich hens, strong, healthy condition, 2/6 each, four 9/6; satisfaction, guaranteed: S. Smith, 10, Waterloo-st., Hove. (267)

NORWICH and Yorkshires, cocks full song, 5/6, aviary, breeders, etc., cheap to clear: C. Levy, 19, Dunston-st., Kingsland-rd., N.E. (263)

NOTICE; grand lot Norwich, for show or breeding, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

VERY large massive, big-headed, clear buff cock, 1914 bred, extra stout, only 9/6, dirt cheap: George Cubley, Lutton Gowts, Long Sutton. (269)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich.—Few large good healthy hens to part with; yellow or buff; approval: T. Billington, 32, Colborn-st., Nottingham. (252)

CLEARING out.—Five Norwich hens, 12/-; one good Norwich pair, 10/6: Harrold, 105, Ashes-rd., Causeway Green, Langley, Birmingham. (264)

LARGE clear yellow 1913 cock, strong and cobby, first-class breeder, 10/-; bargain; buff hen, 1914, nice shape, 5/-: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (265)

LARGE yellow and buff Norwich hens, eager to nest, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (240)

BUFF Norwich hen, large bird, with exceptional mealy, 2nd Wellingboro', 3rd Bathgate, 7/6; must sacrifice: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (271)

CHAMPION Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, large birds, in full song, 7/6, hen 5/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (268)

SEVERAL good buff hens, guaranteed, untried 1914 bred, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, week's approval; deposit: A. Fiddament, Postman, 105, Trinity-st., Norwich.

MISS OWYN has for 1914 pair, yellow cock, buff hen, 21/-; first-rate cocks, very cheap to clear, from 5/-, worth double: Somerville, N. Avenue, Ramsgate. (264)

TWO massive buff, one year hens, up to good show form, breeding condition, worth 25/- each; room wanted, 12/6 each: Bonniwell, 63, St. Quintin-avenue, N. Kensington. (266)

FOR sale, three Norwich hens; one yellow, 3/6; two variegated, 3/- each; approval, cash or deposit with "C.B.": A. Bluman, Prestleigh, Shepton Mallet, Somerset. (264)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

FOUR yellow Norwich cocks, 1914, three yellow hens ready for breeding; make winners, from 10/-; or exchange nails, bolts, screws, etc.: Handley, Wolboken, Wisbech. (264)

WHAT offers 7 good buffs, 3 yellow hens, 3 buff cocks, Irons' strain; also 6 breeding cages and show cages and utensils; seen any time: S. Ward, 21, Warwick-st., Pimlico.

GIVING up, a few exceedingly good pairs of thick-set Norwich left, cheap; Palace strain; several odd cocks and hens; must clear: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (244)

HEALTHY Norwich cocks, warranted in full song, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6: hens, same strain, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-; if not satisfied, money returned: Syd. Mothersole, 20, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (266)

FOUR large unflighted Norwich cocks, one clear yellow and three marked buffs, 7/6 each; six buff hens, 3/6 each, to clear; cash, approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester. (268)

GENUINE untried Norwich hens, for Canary or Mule breeding, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; handsome cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; genuine bargains; breeding condition; approval: R. Hanford, Derby.

BIG fine variegated buff Norwich cock, unflighted yellow hen, 35/-; big unflighted buff cock, 20/-; grand heads and colour; approval, breeding condition: C. Cubby, 62, London-rd., Carlisle. (268)

A FRIEND joined colours wishes me to sell this last pair (see last week's), yellow cock (2nd Boscombe), buff hen, very large (3rd Boscombe and special), 30/-: Hames, 50, South-rd., Bournemouth.

MR. HAWKES offers very large massive framed buff Norwich cock, of rare merits and size, with exceptional head and neck, such specimen seldom if ever offered, 21/-: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone.

YELLOW and buff Norwich cocks and hens, large chubby birds, in grand condition, all one price, 10/6 each: 1914 bred, and worth double; also yellow pink-eyed muling hen, 6/-: Taylor, Draper, Bideford. (270)

I HAVE several good dark Crest cocks, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-; also several dark Crest hens, 12/6, 15/-; six green Crestbred hens, 10/-; all 1914 bred; week's approval: A. Fiddament, Postman, 105 Trinity-st., Norwich. (264)

WILL accept 35/- for buff Norwich cock, won 3 firsts this season, several honours last, very massive framed and short thick-set bird, with style and quality, also 2 buff hens, winners, 7/6 each: Edgeley, 491, Grove Green, Leytonstone. (271)

CHAMPION strain Norwich; large clear buff cock, big head, thick neck, chubby body, 25/-; clear buff hen, useful, 10/6; lightly marked buff hen, very cobby, good show hen, 30/6; variegated yellow hen, 12/6, lovely quality; all on approval: from my noted stud: J. Hodder, 6, Bannerst., St. Luke's, London, E.C.

NORWICH Canaries, 1/1, by C. A. Hense. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London.

NOTICE, special offer, champion exhibition buff Norwich hen, real model for type and quality, feathered like silk, sure winner, only 12/6, honestly worth 25/-; also choice exhibition yellow hen, grand size and substance, rare type and quality of feather, only 15/-, cheap at 20/-, both of these hens are eager to nest, and warranted untried: genuine bargains; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 20, Junction-rd., Norwich. (268)

NORWICH & YORKSHIRES

A few fine cocks and hens, from our best winning strain, winner of 5,000 prizes this last 30 years at all leading shows; cocks from 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-; any on approval. Breeder 30 years: J. Sandiford, Canary Judge, Preston, Lancs.

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds" for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show, 1913. (1810)

RHODE'S Gluck and Water Gluck, Randall's strain direct, B.R.C.C. rung, winners of cups, gold, silver, bronze medals; cocks from 15/-; hens, 5/-; approval: 40, James-st., Bilston. (90)

THREE healthy 1914 Norwich Roller hens, ready to nest, 3/- each: S. Maltby, 19, Riverside, Cambridge. (270)

FIRST class Roller hens for sale, 2/6 each; cold room bred: F. Cartwright, 15, Fairfield, Kidderminster. (255)

TWO deep Glucke and Water Glucke Roller cocks, 25/- each, 3 days' approval: Dick Spencer, 148, Bury-rd., Haslingden. (274)

HENS, Water Gluck Rollers, club rung, B4, guaranteed untried, 3/9, 4/6 each: Bennett, 1, Greenhow View, Burley, Leeds. (219)

TWO high-class 1914 hens, Randall's strain, one B.R.C.C. rung, 5/- and 4/-; or exchange Borders: Grant, County Hall, Brecon. (264)

SCHOOLMASTER, unflighted, with shutter cage, 10/-; cost 20/-; exchange stair wall paper or boots 7/-: Butler, Station-rd., Hitchin. (268)

SEIFERT Rollers, grand cocks, in breeding condition, 7/6 and upwards; approval: A. Bennett, Snelston Hall, Ashbourne, Derby. (266)

ROLLERS.—Roehl's strain hens, 4/6; one cock, 15/-; one 12/6; approval: L. Wade, 65, Brading-rd., Brixton Hill, London. Letters only. (267)

NOTICE; grand lot day and gaslight Rollers, full song, reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, all sold, cold-room; cash or deposit: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe.

GENUINE reliable untried Roller hens, bred from my noted singing strain, only a few left, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each: Miss Storey, Roller Specialist, Crowle, Pontefract.

GIVING up. Five high-class Glucke Roller cocks and ten hens for sale, £2 10/- the lot; on seven days' approval: A. Hadfield, 54, John-st., Ashton-under-Lyne. (264)

I HAVE still a few good birds left from my winning strain; all guaranteed in breeding condition or money returned; cocks, 12/, 15/-; hens, 5/-: Bess, 5, Alma-pl., Berkett-st., Leeds. (260)

GRAND Roller cock Canary, 1914 bird, now in full song day and gas light, long waterbubble runs, sweet silvery trills, etc.; accept 10/-; bargain: Davenport, Hay Mills, Birmingham. (269)

TWO lovely green water glucke Roller cocks, 1914 cold room bred, 10/6 each, or £1 the two; hens same strain; unflighted, 4/- each: J. Scott, 1, Combermere-rd., Higher Heysham, near Morecambe.

I HAVE still a few more Rollers for disposal; cock in full song, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; hens, 3/3 and 4/6; matched pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 16/6; every bird guaranteed: Harris, Tye Estate, Bedfont. (266)

H. E. SMITH, manager, 62, Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, S.E., offers for sale, 1914 cold bred Rollers and Roller Norwich cross cocks, full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, robust hens 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; Crested cocks 10/6, 12/6, hens 4/6, 5/6, own breeding; state wants; offers. (235)

SEIFERT Rollers, very highly trained; cocks in full song, 8/6, 10/-, and 12/6 each; hens to match, 2/-, 2/6, and 3/- each; on fourteen days' trial at our sole risk; lists free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (251)

PURE Randall's, purchased direct from Mr. Veen; winners international and Bury, only times shown; cocks from 12/-, hens from 5/-; B.R.C.C. rung; exchange; aged hens that bred challenge cup and other winners given to purchasers: Yardley, 170, Legsby-av., Grimsby. (265)

Roller Hens, Randall's Strain

BREED THE BEST—THEY COST NO MORE

The finest blood in the Fancy, 3/6 each, two 6/6; cocks, 15/-; on approval: J. Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston.

COCKS ON SONG—HENS UNTRIED

Genuine Rollers of best strains known; cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6. A grand lot of hens, every bird guaranteed untried, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each, equal to those sold at much higher prices. Cages 5/6: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

14 DAYS TRIAL—OUR RISK

Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years, and have received thousands of testimonials. These wonderful songsters only 15/- each on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised and be your own judge. Hens, same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each: Yorkshire, Norwich, and other Canaries on the same terms; list free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (30)

IMPORTANT OFFER TO ROLLER FANCIERS

I have just received a large number of Rollers bred in England by a well-known gentleman whose stock has been built up from the best contesting strains in the country, regardless of expense. The cocks are exceptionally good birds, with good bass notes and a splendid variety of tours. To anyone requiring a reliable stock bird, or a schoolmaster for training young, or a songster that will always be pleasing to the ear, this is a unique opportunity. I don't ask you to take my word for this. Just let me send you one of these birds on approval. Hear him for yourself, and if not perfectly satisfied return him and I will return cash in full. If preferred, cash can be deposited with Editor. Kindly note prices:—Cocks in full rolling song, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each. Hens, guaranteed from same pure strain, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each. Matched pairs, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- per pair; travelling cages 3d. extra: Joe Thomas, Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks.; over 35 years same address.

COD LIVER OIL

cage bird food, with added egg; keeps birds warm, healthy; dealers, 2d., 4/6; if direct, postage extra: Liverine, Grimsby.

SPLENDID MUSICAL ROLLERS

I have the finest strain of Roller Canaries that was ever offered for sale. Each and every bird has been specially trained, which can be noted by its soft musical changes of song. Beware of imitations, as these are not the common Rollers or rubbish as placed on the market. Prices: Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each, according to quality and variation of song. Hens same strain, warranted untried, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each; special Roller box singing cages, 2/- complete, with shutters 3/3 complete. Honest and straightforward dealing guaranteed by E. Power, Bird Specialist, 89 and 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

J. SANDIFORD'S
BRITISH BRED ROLLERS

Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's; price 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; 100 trained, all guaranteed, and on approval, hens 2/6, 3/6; best lot Rollers in England; Roller box cages, 2/3, with shutters 3/6; established 50 years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: J. Sandiford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston.

Storey's Rollers

I have only a limited number for disposal. The quality and price are right. Just have one of my Rollers on approval and compare the quality of its song with some of the supposed champions, and keep the bird that gives you the most satisfaction. Cocks with full change of song by day or artificial light, price according to quality of song. Cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; reliable, untried breeding hens, 2/3, 2/6, 2/-, 3/6 each. All birds on seven days' approval; neat travelling cages 3d. each, 2/3 dozen. The old reliable firm and address: E. L. Storey, Crowle, Doncaster.

Roller Canaries.

VOOGT'S STRAIN.

Traffic having been entirely suspended the last week with Rotterdam, no Canaries have arrived. The following birds are awaiting shipment in Rotterdam:—

2 Crates No. II. Cocks.
4 Crates No. III. Cocks.
2 Crates Hens.

Country buyers desirous of receiving any of the above, are requested to forward their orders, accompanied by cheque. This will ensure their receiving birds immediately on arrival.

TO DEALERS ONLY.

7 No. II. for 42/-; 7 No. III. for 35/-.

Cocks No. II., 7/6 each. These are the birds usually advertised having the Nightingale and Woodlark note, with sundry other qualifications.

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221, St. George's Street, London Docks, East.

Scotch Fancies.

SCOTCH Fancies, 14 cocks, 3 hens, all related to winners, very cheap: Andrew Dawson, 689 Duke-st., Glasgow. (269)

SCOTCH Fancies, from high-class birds, various, sound condition, moderate price; approval: Armour, Rosebank Cottage, Newmilns, Ayrshire.

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

OGDEN BROS., Breeders, Exhibitors, and Exporters, of the best the world has produced: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

PAIR Yorkshire Canaries, with breeding cage, 10/-; bargain: Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridgwater. (261)

GOOD Yorks. var. cock, won twice only times shown: Apply G. E. Blackbourn, 8, Granville-terr., Darlington. (266)

COME and inspect my noted Yorkshires; home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

WANTED, in full song cock Canaries, Yorkshire or Norwich: Jones' Aviaries, 126, Plaistow Road, West Ham. (270)

YELLOW cock and 2 hens, buff and yellow 1913, 10/6 lot; particulars on application: Pratt, Coleshill, Warwickshire. (265)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, all my well-known stock, for sale, cocks 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (251)

TWO smart leggy unflighted yellow and buff cocks, 15/6 each; feathered to perfection; Lloyd, 84, Chichele-rd., Cricklewood. (271)

HENS.

There is no scarcity of Canaries yet. I have hundreds of untried hens in stock, all eager to go to nest, also a large number of grand matched pairs anxious to commence breeding. Kindly note following prices for hens, all of which I guarantee **untried,** in perfect health, and **ready to nest:**—

Yorkshire Hens, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

Norwich Hens, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

BORDER FANCY HENS, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each.

PURE ROLLER HENS (guaranteed bred from good strain of British Rollers), **3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each.**

LARGE MULING HENS, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each.

STRONG, HEALTHY YOUNG FEEDING HENS, 3/-, 3/6, 4/- each.

Travelling Cages, 3d. extra.

Remember this please.—I will send birds to any address in the Kingdom, on 10 days' approval, at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to every customer, or cash returned in full. Every bird put on rail same day as order is received.

JOE THOMAS,
Ambler Thorn, Halifax.

(Over 35 years at same address.)

YORKSHIRE cocks from 8/-, hens 4/-, healthy, full song: 49, Banstead-grove, Roundhey-rd., Leeds. (268)

FOR sale, grand Yorkshire cock and hen, lengthy, accept 9/- on receipt of P.O.: J. Dinsdale, Silsden, nr. Keighley. (266)

LONG clear yellow, 1914 cock, good type, breeding condition, strong and healthy, 10/-: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (265)

COTTON, Draper, Northallerton, offers splendid pair Norwich, 10/6; also pair good Yorkshires, 10/6; approval; room wanted. (271)

CLEAR yellow 1914 Yorkshire hen Canary, healthy and ready for nesting, 3/6, bargain: N. Atkinson, Brompton, Northallerton. (268)

SHACKLETON'S. Two buff cocks, yellow hens, 11/- pair; yellow cock, 8/6; hot, 20/-; offers: Haytock, Florence-st., Rochdale. (258)

YELLOW Yorkshire hen, winner two 1sts, 10/6; others, 5/-; bred from cup winners; approval: Harry Smith, Connah's Quay, Chester. (270)

YORKSHIRE hens, 3/- each; good stock birds and healthy; offers for ten: Lino, 19, Western Broadway, Ravenscourt Park, W., London. (262)

YORKSHIRES.—A few good birds for sale, cheap, cocks and hens, seen any time, breeding condition: H. Smith, 115, Merton-r Wimbledon. (252)

YORKSHIRE cocks, clear yellows, in fine breeding condition, good size and length, 7/6 each: Price, Pontryffydd Lodge, Trefnant, North Wales. (240)

NOTICE; grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices reasonable; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, from my winning strain; cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/-; approval with pleasure: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford.

FOXEN'S winning strain; several hens for disposal, anxious to nest, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6; buff cocks, full song, 10/6; approval: 8, Aberdeen-buildings, Bromley, Kent.

EIGHT matched pairs of prize-bred Yorkshires, some with eggs, from 10/6 pair: Robinson, 35, Bessborough Gardens, Vauxhall Bridge-rd., Westminster.

TWO pair prize-bred Yorkshires, single breeder, and two show cages, accept best cash offer, giving up: Phillips, Fernville, Marle Hill, Court-rd., Cheltenham. (264)

YORKSHIRES to breed winners; yellow cock 15/-, buff cock 15/-, buff cock 10/-, all really high class birds and ready for immediate use: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (266)

BARGAIN.—To clear, four hen Canaries, 1/8 each; buff Yorkshire cock, 10/-; worth double; bird book, cost 25/-, sell 12/-; approval: Dimmock, Market-sq., Leighton Buzzard. (270)

CLEARING out, long upstanding Yorkshires, Palace strain; a few good pairs left, cheap; also some odd cocks and hens: Write, Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (244)

SPLENDID deep yellow colour-fed unflighted Yorkshire cock, cold-room bred, grand length and quality, 10/6: J. Scott, No. 1, Combermere-rd., Higher Heysham, nr. Morecambe. (265)

SPECIAL notice; magnificent yellow and buff hens, thoroughly reliable, ready to nest at once, good in length, size and feather, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 each; approval: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (266)

UNFLIGHTED variegated buff Yorkshire cock, full song, 6/6; two unflighted yellow hens, 1 Yorkshire, 1 Norwich, 2/6 each, or the pair, 4/6: F. Jenson, 6, Clifton Terrace, Kenilworth. (264)

J. S. FAIRMAN can still supply a few good cocks or hens, bred from birds that have won four cups for him this season; prices reasonable; inspection invited: 28, Pepler-rd., Old Kent-rd., London. (271)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshires; long typical yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, hens 3/6, pairs 10/6; one extra fine large buff cock, 10/-; breeding condition, cold room: Jacomb, Tabeal, Albany-rd., Chadwell Heath. (267)

GRAND yellow variegated Yorkshire cock, wonderful type, 12/6; one buff cock, 7/6; splendid clear yellow Norwich cock, 10/-, and good buff hen, 7/6; massive Lancashire and Norwich crossed cock, 10/6, all in breeding condition, 1914 bred, and bargains: Taylor, Northam-rd., Bideford. (265)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshires, bred from cup and medal winners. I have two lovely buff hens, standard length, teeming with quality, prices 10/6 and 12/6; real bargains; also a grand yellow hen, a beauty, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Sydney B. King, Mytholm, Hebden Bridge. (265)

HAVING been called up on active service, I have 50 birds, Yorkshires and Norwich, mostly cocks. I have won everything at all the local shows, also about 30 breeding cages, including Crystal Palace and flight; will take the best offer: Sergt. Davis, 17, Adcroft-st., Trowbridge, Wilts. (264)

J. C. BARNES

113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield, well known strain; yet to spare the following typical Yorkshires, correct position, very lengthy well on leg, and beautifully feathered; clear buff cock, 20/-; ditto, 10/-; stylish yellow hen, 20/-; ditto, 10/-; two fine buff hens, 10/- each; all in tip-top breeding condition; approval; bargains: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

The same strain as the winners at all the leading shows. Cocks 7/6, 10/6; hens 5/6, 7/6 each; pairs mated to breed at once, 12/6, 15/6; all honestly worth double; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire.

QUALITY, STYLE, AND POSITION

"Cage Birds" says, breed Canaries and make money. It tells you how, and I'll supply the following birds that will do it for you, as they have done for me; long, slim, typical 1914 birds, full of quality, style and position; cocks, 7 inches long, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; grand slim, stylish hens, standard length (unrelated), 4/-, 5/-, 6/- upwards; choice matched pairs (should breed winners), 13/6, 14/6, 15/6 upwards. These birds are special and well worth your attention; approval on receipt of cash; stamp reply. Remember, I am the largest breeder of Yorkshires in the North of England, and the quality of birds sent out by me, who saves you dealers' profits, far exceeds quality sent out by others: W. Dowd, 1a, Rowell Square, Rowell-st., Salford. (269)

Various Canaries.

TWO common hen Canaries, 1914 birds, 4/6 the two: Morley, Baker, Linton, Cambs. (268)

THREE fine 1914 hen Canaries, in perfect breeding condition, 2/6 each: Collins, 36, Somerset-rd., Knowle, Bristol. (264)

BARGAINS.—Large clear yellow Norwich cock, 7/6; two Rollers cocks, 4/- each: Palmer, 23, Leffern-rd., Shepherd's Bush. (264)

EIGHT good size feeding hens, 16/- lot; giving away price: Wm. Shakespeare, 233, Kentish Town-rd., London, N.W. (266)

HENS.—Large variegated yellows, 20/-, 15/-; clear yellows, 15/- and 5/-; buffs, 8/6, 5/-: Innes, The Bungalow, Largs, Ayrshire. (265)

SIX house-moulted Linnets, 3/6 each; six cock Goldfinches, house-moulted mulers, 7/6 each; one pair Crests, 20/-; one pair Borders, 15/-; all ready to nest; six cock Goldfinch Mules, 30/-; in full song: G. Holloway, 15, Ganna Park-rd., Peverell, Plymouth. (262)

MULES—HYBRIDS.

PINK-EYED Hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

THREE grand cock Linnet Mules, 6/- each; hen do., 1/-; lot 18/-; in full song: E. Humble, Kirbymoorside. (271)

GRAND singing cock Linnet, with Yorkshire hen Canary, nesting, 4/6, packed: William Young, Misterton, Somerset. (266)

FOR sale, bird house, 9ft. x 6 x 7, also 12 muling and Hybrid pairs, cages: F. Hill, Park Terrace, Polmont, Stirlingshire. (269)

FINE h.m. cock Goldfinch, ready for muling, large, perfectly feathered, 7/6; approval: H. Green, 26, Mountcastle-rd., Leicester. (265)

MONSTER yellow Norwich hen, selected for own breeding, but now overstocked, bargain, 7/6: Gibbon, 142, High-st., Stourbridge. (265)

TWO fine muling cock Linnets, songsters, 2/6 each; large cock Goldfinch, 7/-; exchange Canaries, anything: Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (270)

LARGE cock Goldfinch, yellow Norwich hen, 12/6 pair; grand pair of Norwich (Silk's strain), 25/- pair: Lloyd, 6, Market-st., Ebbw Vale. (264)

TWO lightly variegated hen Mules, Goldfinch-Canary, 2/6 each; handsome dark Mule, good songster, 7/6: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (265)

FINEST MULING HENS IN ENGLAND

Note prices for light or dark Mule breeding with Goldfinches, Linnets, Siskins, Greenfinches, etc.; approval with pleasure, 3/-, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6; cage 3d.; also lot of good Goldfinch and Linnet Mules: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules 6/-; cocks, 1/- hens; 7/- pair, Yorkshire Canaries: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. (256)

TWO cock Goldfinches, mulers, 5/- each; 1 house-moulted cock Bullfinch, 3/- cash, or deposit: S. Springett, Mill Cottage, Chipping Hill, Witham, Essex. (268)

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Twitterings.

Mr. W. L. Page, hon. sec., Southampton C.B.S., has removed from Mordaunt Road to 30, Bedford Place, Southampton.

Mr. Wm. Rutherford has removed from West Roddymoor to Arthur Pit, near Crook, Co. Durham.

Please accept my thanks for your Front Page Illustration of my winning Goldie, which has now changed hands to another Welsh fancier, writes Mr. Sam Jones, junr., Llanelly.

I have been elected secretary of Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S. in place of Mr. E. Lord, resigned, writes Mr. J. Coupe, 29, Oswald Street, Rochdale, and all communications should now be addressed to me.

Mr. H. F. Bowring, hon. sec., Metropolitan C.B.A., writes asking us to express his regret that, through pressure of Government work, he was unfortunately prevented from attending the meeting of April 15, at which Mr. Jeffrey was to give a lecture. Mr. Bowring says this is the first meeting he has missed for two years.

The following show dates have been arranged; secretaries kindly note, to avoid clashing: South Wales R.C.C., Dec. 15, 16; Blaydon-on-Tyne C.B.S., Nov. 12, 13; Cardiff C.B.S., Nov. 17, 18, Larkhall C.B.A., Oct. 30; Clydebank C.B.C., Nov. 27; Kettering, Dec. 11; Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A., Nov. 12, 13; Carlisle O.S., Oct. 27, 28.

The Blaenavon C.B.S., writes Mr. G. T. Jones, sec., is going on extra; three new members at last meeting. We intend running an open show this year, and our young bird show is to be held June 26 at the Crown Hotel; about twenty specials have been promised, including a guinea photo enlargement, given by Mr. J. Howells.

The balance-sheet of the Wimbledon C.B.S. shows cash in hand £17 17s. 2d., and assets, cups, etc., valued at £22. The year's working shows a slight loss, but no credit is taken for outstanding subscriptions which, when paid, will place the society in even a better position than last year. New members elected during the year were just in excess of the resignations, so that membership is still increasing.

Mrs. Easterling begs to thank the many friends for their kind sympathy shown to her during her sad bereavement, writes Mr. W. Buckingham. Also the many members who have kindly subscribed for her. She deeply regrets the mistake made as to the burial ground, but as the arrangements were not made till after CAGE BIRDS had gone to press last week, it was impossible to let fanciers know the time and place of burial.

In the April issue of "Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, Mr. F. Dawson-Smith concludes his article on British Corvidæ, with notes on the Jay and Chough and a dietary for each of the Corvidæ in captivity, and among the other articles is a most interesting account of the breeding and rearing in captivity of the Little Egret as a business undertaking for the sale of their plumes, and the birds themselves as their number increases by breeding.

The Rule Book and Syllabus of the Halifax O.S. is to hand from the sec., Mr. H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Halifax. The syllabus gives the dates of the rambles of the society, the classification for the four members' shows, dates of meeting nights and particulars of lectures, etc. Rules and special prizes for members' shows are included, and also a list of members' names and addresses; among the specials are three gold medals for novices, two Yorks and one Norwich, and the cash specials for novices are the same as for the champion exhibitors.

The National British Bird and Mule Club have decided to hold their annual ramble on Saturday, May 15, writes Mr. J. P. Carr, hon. sec. New ground is to be tried this year in the neighbourhood of Beaconsfield and Denham, and the change in the locality should yield plenty of interesting sights in wild bird life. The committee extend a hearty welcome to all members and friends of all the London societies to join in this outing. Further particulars in respect to trains, etc., will be published later. Will secs. of London societies please accept this intimation, as I have not time to write to them personally as in former years.

Notwithstanding the rise in cost of pepper and canisters, and increased rates for freight, insurance and dock dues, I have decided not to raise the price of Ramsden's Pure Peppers to retail customers while my present stock lasts. Trade prices have been revised, but any bona-fide trader can supply at advertised prices provided he is satisfied with a reasonable commission, and is willing to pay cash with order during the continuance of the war. Owing to the congestion on the railways, customers should place their orders earlier than usual. Prices: Tasteless 2s. lb., 3lbs. 5s., 5lbs. 7s. 6d., 22lbs. 30s.; hot, 3s. lb., carriage paid. I have been fortunate enough to secure a fair quantity of pepper of splendid colour and quality, most of which is landed and safe in my warehouse. I believe I am the only importer who has been able to land a consignment of this season's tasteless pepper. The issue of coupons will be suspended until further notice, but a limited number of special prizes will be offered at the leading shows for the best birds fed on Ramsden's Pure Peppers.—J. W. Ramsden (11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London).—(Advt.)

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In the Courts.

A Parrot Taken for a Lark.

At the Marylebone Police Court on Ap. 23, Charles Burnett, aged thirty-eight, a fishmonger, was charged with committing a burglary at Waverley Road, Paddington, and stealing a Parrot, valued at £5 17s. 6d. Burnett admitted stealing the Parrot, and said he took it for lark. Detective Sergeant Mander said that when arrested Burnett said, "I had no intention of taking the Parrot until she said, 'Hullo, Charlie!' and I don't remember any more until the morning, when I found her sitting on the bed-rail." A remand was granted.

OBITUARY.

Fanciers will regret to hear of the sad loss which that popular exhibitor and judge, Mr. Albert Hirst, President of the Accrington and Dist. C.B.S., has had in the death of a son at seventeen years of age, who died on April 19, and was interred in Accrington Cemetery April 24, writes Mr. Herbert Walsh. I am sure fanciers who have the pleasure of knowing Mr. Hirst will join in heartfelt sympathy to him and his family in their sad bereavement.

[We have received also a similarly sympathetic announcement, apparently from a member of the Accrington C.B.S., but as it is unsigned we cannot give the name of the sender.—EDITOR.]

"The three small advts. I had in CAGE BIRDS have been the means of my selling all my surplus stock of eight cocks and nine hens at fair prices, although it is war time. Wishing CAGE BIRDS the success it deserves." J. A. HALHEAD (Purley).

MRS. SCHOLES, Ottery St. Mary, received a telegram on Friday morning ordering all the birds: thanks to the advt. in CAGE BIRDS.

Blackbird's Queer Nesting Place.

A Blackbird near Penllergaer has built her nest on the spring of the back wheel of a motor lorry, which is in daily use, but the bird does not seem to mind the movement, as she has deposited three eggs in the nest.

New Secretaries of Societies.

We are notified of the following changes of secretaryship: Ashington Hirst C.B.S., Mr. C. F. Tapson, 4, Park View, Ashington, in place of Mr. W. Hall; Aberdeen Amalgamated C.B.S., Mr. R. J. Robertson, 4, Hosefield Road, Aberdeen, in place of Mr. Alison.

Country Rambles.

The following rambles have been arranged, and local fanciers are invited to join: Manchester and N.C.O.S., May 2, to Marple, meet at Fire Station at 2; Openshaw Gorton C.B.S., May 30, to Marple, train to Rose Hill, time not yet arranged.

Kestrel's Duel to Death.

A fierce and fatal fight between two Kestrels has been witnessed by Mr. H. J. Leigh, of Reading. He watched an old male and a young male engaged in deadly combat for 20 minutes and picked them up from the ground when they were locked together and dying. Both birds died in his hands. Mr. Leigh has presented them to the Reading Museum, preserved in the attitude of combat. Probably the older Hawk was driving the young one from his hunting grounds, and found the task too much for him.

The Home of the Starling.

Holes in old trees or in the thatch of a barn are the places usually selected by the Starling. The nest is composed of dry grass and a few feathers. The eggs, which usually number four or five, are pale blue-green in colour and often differ considerably in size. The youngsters are about the noisiest of any young birds. I remember a nest being placed under the roof of a little iron schoolhouse, and the screeching was so intense that they had to be removed. The young are fed on insects and worms chiefly, but young seeds just sprouting are not objected to. They are not spangled like the old ones until the first moult, but are a light slate colour. As soon as they can do for themselves the old ones do a little cleaning and use the hole a second time.

Ireland's Last Eagle.

There is too much reason to fear that Ireland has lost the last of her Eagles, says "The Dublin Express." Until the opening days of the present year at least one wild specimen was known to be still in existence in the western parts of Donegal. As it had apparently no mate, it was doomed in any case to be the last of its species; but there was yet a pleasure—though a subdued one—to be felt in the consciousness that this noble bird might still be occasionally seen sailing over the mountainous regions that have from time immemorial formed his favourite fastness. That pleasure can no longer be felt, for the Eagle is no more. A shot from an unsentimental sportsman a few days ago ended its career somewhere in the vicinity of Ardara; and henceforth the study of the Irish Golden Eagle must be carried on from mounted specimens only—unless happily one more survivor of the doomed race may yet turn up. The Golden Eagle was once as common a sight in the West of Ireland as it still is in Scotland. It has been carefully preserved in Scotland, with the result that there is no danger of any extinction of the breed. In Ireland this noble creature has long been the prey of every "sportsman" who can shoulder a rifle.

Birds Colliding in the Air.

There are a number of recorded cases where birds have collided in flight. The more frequent would appear to be in certain species of game-birds. The impetuous rush of a covey of Partridges as they burst into the air may easily lead to a brace coming into violent contact, and for both to fall more or less disabled. A singular instance was recorded some time ago from Scotland, when, during a drive, a Grouse suddenly frightened by one of the "stops" turned almost at right angles, and cut down a fellow in the air. A correspondent recently sent to the "Field" a Snipe and a Lark which were picked up dead in Leicestershire; the Snipe's bill being still attached to the Lark's wing. It is suggested that the Snipe may have approached too close to the Lark's nest, and the tragedy have arisen from a conflict on the ground; but seeing that neither is a pugnacious bird, and that both were found dead, the chances are that they collided accidentally in mid-air and were killed by the fall, the Snipe's bill still penetrating the wing of its fellow victim. Instances of birds colliding in flight with inanimate objects, especially with telegraph wires, are, of course, common. A somewhat unusual example was recorded from Datchet, when a tame Swan flew with extreme violence against the front of a building and was instantly killed.

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Club Reports.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, with a very poor attendance considering the business on hand, Mr. Stafford chair. Decided that classes should be same as last year's N.E. shows. Also decided to combine with Sheffield C.B.S. and others in their effort to run a combined show for members. Decided that Mr. J. W. Jones be delegate on combined show business. I should like to see more members present next meeting, as we shall want confirmation of classes.—J. E. Taylor, Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Monthly show, headquarters, judge, Mr. W. Swaysland, Yorks, came up well in splendid condition. Champ, Yorks.: 1, Vine, Dandridge; 2, he, c, Gibb; 3, W. Wall. Nov.: 1, he, Firth; 2, 3, Vine Oakshott; c, Fellows. Crest and C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Penyoun. A.O.V.: 1, Mrs. Gibb (Border). Linnet: 1, James; 2, 3, Miss Mantell. Bramble, etc.: 1, Brown. A.O. Hardbill: 1, Goble (Bullf.); 2, Firth (Gold.); 3, Brown (Greenf.). Mule: 1, 2, Smith. A judging competition was also held, Mr. F. Dandridge handing in the winning slip, with Mr. W. Firth only 1 point behind.—W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, Old Boar's Head, Withy Grove, Manchester, April 24, Mr. W. Massey chair. Messrs. Sylveston, Walkley, F. Howard, Middleton, Brayton, Ramsbottom, and T. T. Wilkinson, Chester, elected members. The rings of the P.R.C.C., it was pleasing to know, are going splendidly, and a new lot will have to be ordered, this making the third lot sold out. From accounts of the members, there seem to be a good few with young ones out, and all doing well. The prospect of a very good season so far seems very bright.—Tom Routledge.

AYRSHIRE SCOTCH FANCY C.C.

Meeting, Ossington Coffee House, Kilmarnock, April 24. Thirteen members present. Ex-Bailie Robertson in the chair, Mr. Gilbert Deans vice-chair. Letter was received from Mr. James Ferguson, sec. of Kilmarnock C.B.C., stating that a deputation from his club would be present, and the deputation duly attended. Classification for annual open show in November was considered. Decided to adopt a system similar to that of the Glasgow Derby Scotch Fancy Show, with some alterations; the show to be held on Nov. 20, with a selling class at £1; prizes to consist principally of specials given or assured by members of the club. All subs. to be paid by June 30, four classes for cocks and 4 for hens; agreed: yellow cock, clear or foul; ditto piebald or green, buff cock, clear or foul; ditto piebald or green, and the same for hens. Mr. Muir (Kilmarnock C.B.S.) opened the discussion about the show room co-operation between the two clubs, and was supported by Mr. Johnston. The show arrangement arrived at is mutually satisfactory. Two judges are to be chosen, and the names of five were submitted, Messrs. J. R. Millar, Govan, and J. A. Stewart, sen., Cathcart, to be invited. The President, according to the wishes of the club, will present two gold medals instead of a cup for competition, one for cocks and one for hens. In the old bird section classes will be: A.V., yell. ck., yell. hen, buff ck., buff hen. It was considered desirable that a member from the Cage Bird Society of Kilmarnock, should attend our next meeting, and Mr. Ferguson, the sec., promised to be present. The President warmly thanked the members of the deputation for their kind support, and said he would present their society with a gold medal for whatever purpose they considered best. Mr. Johnston replied, returning thanks to the president for his offer. Next meeting, Ossington Coffee House, Kilmarnock, June 26, at 6.—Hugh M. Ferguson, Sec. and Treas.

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WILD FOODS FOR SEED-EATING BIRDS.

By CHAS. PRIOR (Ropley).

The useful greenfoods, etc., available during May are herein described. The first of these articles appeared in our issue of April 10, and we have, we are pleased to say, been able to arrange with the Author to contribute a continuation in the first issue of each month.

"MAY has come with beauty smiling!" Laughing, one might almost say. If winter capitulates to April, to May his surrender is unconditional. April's rippling smile is the fugitive glee of the toddling lassie; May's the prodigal laughter of the full-grown damsel. So, also, do the wild foods of April advance to perfection in May. March attends the birth-struggle of the seedling; April coaxes the seedling into a plant; May carries the plant along to fruition and the highest degree of its usefulness—to the bird-keeper. The gardener may hold other views.

Chickweed Now at its Best.

Chickweed, the leading all-round wild food of April, is at the zenith of its feeding value—crowded with plump seed pods—in May. At no season of the year will it be better. Those birds which eat it find it acceptable in almost all its stages; now they are simply ravenous for it. It will therefore be still prominent in the bird-room throughout this month.

Bird-keepers whose opportunities for securing a daily supply are limited can preserve chickweed in fairly fresh condition for three or four days by placing it in a pail or bowl in the coolest place available, and covering it lightly with a wet cloth. A piece of old muslin, always kept damp, does nicely. If warm atmosphere reaches it it will turn yellow, and it is not then advisable to use it for food, nor much use trying to. Its usefulness is not quite ended, however, for it may be spread out to dry, as grass is made into hay, and given to hybridising couples which are playing at nest-building.

Groundsel, like chickweed, hurries forward with the Spring; and although it recurs later on, and does not make its final exit until the end of autumn, its meridian is attained in May. The energies of the plant are then directed mainly towards the production of its finest seed heads, and those are what the bird-keeper wants. Hence, for this month, it will share in the prominence of chickweed.

Groundsel should be gathered by pulling up the whole plant, root included. It may then be transferred to a shallow dish or tin, say two or three inches deep, into which water has been poured to the depth of about one inch. (A vessel with perpendicular sides, like those of a square bathing dish, has an advantage over one with sloping edge—a plate, for instance.) The roots are placed in the water, the leaves and tops being kept clear, and the dish packed full so that the plant stands erect as in growth.

In this way groundsel may be kept in a fresh and still growing condition for quite a considerable time. If required for feeding to birds in large flights or aviaries, there is no better plan that that of introducing the whole vehicle as it is, taking care that it stands clear of all droppings from above. For those in smaller cages, the seeding heads may be picked off as required, together with sufficient stalk to allow of their being fixed in the wires, within convenient reach of the perches.

When to Gather Dandelion.

Dandelion likewise progresses in unison with the season, and arrives at maturity this month. April sees the plant make its first efforts at blooming; the beginning of May finds it flowering in profusion. This period of profuse flowering is brief. So soon as the visits of bees and other winged insects have ensured fertilization, the flowers, by simply closing up, form into seed-heads, and the process of seed formation begins.

As the formation of seed proceeds, the petals of the flowers wither, and the bottom of the seed-head—that part which is attached to the stalk expands. Presently the withered petals fall, exposing a small white tuft of vegetable "down." The time for gathering is then at hand. When the base of the seed-head is firm to the touch, and has swollen to the point of cracking, especially if it is changing in colour from green towards a faded yellow, time and seed head alike are ripe and ready.

This last-described condition is its penultimate stage of development; the ultimate stage carries it out of reach. For the moment arrives when the seed-head opens in the sun, and evolves the familiar "what's o'clock" plaything of the children; a breath disperses the flimsy ball of down, and each tiny plume, bearing its own particular seed, floats away on the breeze.

Dandelion seed-heads, then, must be collected before they burst into spherical bunches of pappus, and yet they should be got, as nearly as is practicable, directly before that happens. Then they are the most favoured of all Spring foods by Goldfinches, and they undoubtedly do these birds a lot of good. They are keenly relished by Greenfinches, Siskins, and Bullfinches; and hardly less eager for them are Linnets, Twites, and Redpolls. They are also invaluable both for bringing backward breeding pairs—either of Canaries, British, or mixed unions—into forward condition, and for inducing the more amorous ones which are hovering on the brink to take the final plunge.

Dandelion has one season of prolific seeding, which generally occurs before May is left behind, and may be carried along for a week or so into June. The time of plenty is never of long duration, extending over perhaps three or four, or even five weeks; but while it lasts the yield is most prodigal, and the value of the seed-heads at that time cannot be over-stated. There will be irregular shows of flowering and seeding afterwards, and possibly a small second crop in the autumn, but the birds are not keen for the out of season article, and the inference is that bounty and virtue come hand in hand.

Good for Goldfinches.

Thus the story of May's wild foods appears to be little more than a recapitulation of those of April, but the reiteration is amply justified by their vastly improved dietary value and increased abundance; and they will hold the field for the whole of this month. Dandelion seed-heads should be served out to Goldfinches with every freedom; but it is useless now to offer the leaves as well, and any surplus after satisfying the Goldfinches may be passed on to Greenfinches and Siskins.

Seeding Chickweed is especially good for Linnets, Redpolls, Twites and Canaries; particularly so for Canaries when they have young to rear. Groundsel tops for all of them, without stint.

Towards the end of May, another important wild food appears above ground. This is shepherd's-purse—a quite common and well-known weed. First is seen a small flat plant about the size of one's hand, which soon sends up little branches that bear the small, heart-shaped seed pouches. Mostly to be found on cultivated, or partly-cultivated land; seldom where grass is established, although, having deeper root-hold, it does not succumb quite so quickly as chickweed. The properties which commend this weed to the bird-keeper are not usually developed before June, and they will be reviewed in the notes for that month; but it is well to have the source of supply located in good time.

Coltsfoot and Mouse-Ear.

There are other weeds incidental to springtime which run to seed in May, two examples being coltsfoot, a composite whose flowers suggest dandelion blooms reduced in size, and mouse-ear, which looks like chickweed grown coarse and faded. Neither of these have qualities comparable, from the bird-keeper's standpoint, with those of their better-known contemporaries, and they are only introduced to be saluted and dismissed, the aim of these notes being not to compile an encyclopædic botanical catalogue, but rather to focus attention upon a discriminating selection of things which are worth the trouble of securing.

Most precious of Nature's boons are the two essentials, priceless as they are costless, sunshine and fresh air. The bird-room window, from May onwards, may be opened to its widest to assist the welcome invasion of the former and the free circulation of the latter; draught, however, must be prevented.

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(Continued from page 233)

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POLYTELIS PARRAKEETS.—A genus of Australian Parrakeets bearing a strong resemblance to the *Palæornidæ* of the northern hemisphere, and having nothing in common with the broad-tails. They are fairly peaceable birds, and can be wintered out of doors in a sunny, sheltered aviary. The food should consist of wheat, oats, canary, millet, a little hemp, fruit and green food.

A Spiteful Beauty.

CRIMSON-WINGED PARRAKEET (*Ptistes erythropterus*).—A very beautiful bird which has of late been freely imported. Crimson-wings should be fed on hemp, canary, millet, wheat, oats, a little sunflower, fruit and green food, the first-mentioned seed being a necessity for them, as without it they generally fail to keep their condition. They are perfectly hardy when properly acclimatised, but, like most Parrakeets, are very sensitive to cold when newly imported. They are also highly susceptible to septic fever, and take the disease on the smallest provocation, even when in the best of health. In disposition they are spiteful and cowardly, and show but little affection for even their own kind. When tame, however, they may be quite gentle with their owners.

The adult cock Crimson-wing can easily be distinguished from the hen by his black mantle, but I know of no way in which young cocks can be recognised with any certainty. Among the immature birds brought over from Australia the males sometimes outnumber the females by 8 to 1, and as they are said not to assume full plumage for three or four years, one may have to wait a long time before being certain of possessing a true pair. Speaking from very limited experience I should say that Crimson-wings might do well at liberty.

Hens a Disturbing Element.

KING PARRAKEET (*Aprosmictus cyanopygius*).—The King Parrakeet should be fed and treated like the Crimson wing, which it resembles in disposition, being a great coward and bully in mixed company, although fairly friendly towards its own species, a number of cocks living together in harmony as long as there is no hen near them.

The King Parrakeet is essentially an aviary bird and is very hardy. It is quite unsuited to cage life, and in close confinement falls a victim to fatty degeneration of the liver. Kings are very susceptible to septic fever, and also suffer from eye disease, so that in buying newly imported birds the eyes should always be carefully examined.

Hens have the head and upper breast green, and appear to lack the light green stripe which characterises the adult cock. Young males also have green heads for a considerable time, but light feathers appear on the wings at a fairly early age. King Parrakeets stay moderately well when allowed their freedom, being very dependent on artificial feeding. They should be turned out with cut wings.

COCKATEEL (*Cyclopsittacus novæ-hollandiæ*).—A very well known bird, and one of the hardiest and most amiable of the Parrot family. Unfortunately they are useless for acclimatization purposes, being strongly migratory, utterly destitute of any homing instinct, and quite unable to fend for themselves when deprived of artificial food during the winter months.

BUDGERIGAR (*Melopsittacus undulatus*).—What has just been said of the Cockateel applies to a great extent to this charming little bird, as far as its behaviour at liberty is concerned. It is not quite such an inveterate wanderer when first released, but it seldom stays more than a few months, and its small size renders it peculiarly liable to fall a prey to Owls.

Experiences Differ.

LORIKEETS (*Trichoglossus*).—Most of the old writers condemn the Brush-tongued Parrots as a delicate and unsatisfactory family in confinement, and after a series of unlucky experiences with some of the commoner kinds, I am driven to heartily endorse what they have written. Nevertheless Lories and Lorikeets have been kept with great success by a few aviculturists who, I believe, have fed them on a sweetened mixture of unseasoned marmite (made the colour of brandy) and banana crystals, with or without the addition of Horlick's Malted Milk. I have at different times owned upwards of thirty Lorikeets, but not one of them did I succeed in inducing to partake of this mixture. Consequently I had to feed them on seed, fruit, milk, sponge cake, fig, etc., with the result that all, sooner or later, fell victims to fatty degeneration of the liver and fits. Others, I hope, will have better luck than I!

Lorikeets are not very sensitive to cold, but they like a snug box to roost in. They are peaceable among themselves, but intensely vicious with all other birds, attacking even those which are four or five times their size. Tame Lorikeets stay well at liberty, but wild ones usually give disappointing results. They are just as susceptible to digestive troubles when flying at large as when kept in a cage.

(To be continued.)

Norwich Plainheads and their Show Deportment.

The Importance of Training.

BY E. W. ALLSOPP, CARDIFF.

INASMUCH as "charity begins at home," so does the training of our breed for the show bench, if we would be successful. Somehow many Plainhead fanciers associate "training" only with the recognised breeds of position, as the Scotch, Belgian, and Yorkshire, fondly believing that training accomplishes their more or less correct pose in the show cage.

That the training to which they are subjected does considerably help in this respect no one will deny, but it is not wholly responsible for their poses. As a matter of fact, each of the varieties mentioned are by careful training taught to display their characteristic poses or behaviour as naturally in the show cage as in their stock cages at home, when nobody happens to be looking. Strictly, therefore, they are no more birds of position than our "Plainhead," for to show the latter to the fullest advantage it is very necessary to ensure that the jaunty, easy, graceful deportment he displays in the stock cage at home is in the same degree submitted to the judge.

More prizes have been lost through lack of training in Plainheads than through any other cause. This, perhaps, is a tall statement to make, but I nevertheless believe it to be true. At the moment any of our experienced judges can select the exhibits of our leading exhibitors in a twink, not necessarily by their superlative good fancy points, but merely by their superior deportment in the show cage.

No apology is needed for my "thumping the table" about training during the breeding season, for if we leave it until we make our entries it will be much too late, even if our bird be the best Plainhead that ever looked through the bars of a show cage.

The Dawning of Knowledge.

I well remember how I fooled about in this matter of training in my earlier days—but inasmuch as my serious operations did not commence until towards the close of the moult, I was never a prominent prize-winner, nor could I say my birds were any the happier or better for my aspirations towards the show bench. However, the real significance of training eventually came home to me in all its glory, and I am sure that, given a reasonably good all-round bird, its correct training is the shortest cut to the first and special we all hanker after.

Some nine or ten years ago the name of Mr. T. H. Veale, of Paignton, as a breeder and exhibitor, loomed boldly upon the Plainhead horizon (much more, I regret to say, than has been the case of late years), and after he had "scooped the pool" during one season by securing six firsts with, I think, six birds at a leading Welsh fixture, and had put down a very heavy hand at many more leading shows, I made up my mind, as new blood was needed, to pay this gentleman a visit, for, being only a beginner, I naturally concluded that behind his grand team of exhibits must be the bluest of blue blood.

Although I had only two hours at my disposal in which to buy the stock needed, and to hear and see all I could, I did very well, for I discovered the secret of this fancier's success; and, though I ought to be ashamed to say so, actually commenced in the following season to beat my tutor at his own game by winning the unflighted yellow cock class (his favourite class, too), and, if my memory serves me correctly, I repeated the performance the next season, just as proof, I suppose, that my methods were quite all right.

When I arrived at Paignton preliminaries were soon over, though I shall always remember the look of surprise which greeted me when I candidly confessed that I had made the journey from Swindon solely to buy about £6 worth of stock birds. Once in the bird-room I was soon to be astounded by the complete harmony that prevailed 'twixt birds and master. Young, vigorous cocks in stock cages, at the command of a short cane, hopped gladly into the show cage, stood boldly to attention, and even sang.

(To be continued.)

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Correspondence.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—Surely Mr. Bastock is a little premature. Where or when have I given the least intimation that I wish to withdraw my challenge? I would prefer to double it; it is only Mr. Allsopp who has insinuated such. Even the "portions" of my letters that you have published are having the desired effect.

W. Spillman.

Sir,—Having followed the correspondence under the above heading, I have come to the conclusion that the younger generation of Norwich fanciers are merely being taught the art of criticism. There are, no doubt, plenty of reliable fanciers who would be pleased to contribute an article on the above, but refrain from doing so for fear of being criticised. I may add that my experience does not run for a great number of years, but I have sufficient intelligence to keep my own counsel respecting articles written by fellow fanciers. Mr. Spillman no doubt has had a very successful career in the Norwich Fancy, and good luck to him for the future, but his letter coupled with Mr. Bastock's is very amusing. Fancy, "The Norwich Plainhead, and how to improve it" developing into a sweepstake! Be wise and save your fivers; they may come in handy for a seed bill later on. Why don't fanciers express their meanings in an amicable manner which leaves no opening for these unfriendly attacks? I am more than surprised to think that our fanciers, with a long standing experience, have given way to such talk, instead of toeing the line on the subject, and trying to help the young fanciers.

J. Nener.

Sir,—The passing of another good fancier again reminds us of our littleness. Perhaps for a hobby of its magnitude there is none to approach bird-keeping for its freedom from commercialism; none in which so much money circulates for the love of the hobby; and again none in which practical help for the needy falls upon so few willing shoulders. I need not now enter into the need or otherwise of the Fancy being organised; but of late I venture to say the need of combined help becomes more and more patent. Instead of Mr. W. Spillman endeavouring to justify the position taken up by him in a moment of pique, allow me to suggest to him that he joins with me for some real good, and with the idea of establishing a fund to be at the service of needy fanciers, and those sometimes left behind, totally unprovided for, I am willing to set aside the best youngster I may breed this season to meet the best of Mr. Spillman's breeding, also of Mr. Bastock's, my local critics and others. The competition to be held at a leading London show, and the birds sold by auction. For my own part I would not confine the competition to birds of the current year, but for the best representative of the breed available by each competitor, and of his own breeding. Such a class, apart from its circle of interest, would be a unique opportunity for buyers to secure birds of outstanding merit, and should easily result in a substantial sum being handed over to trustees, in whose hands would be placed the task of lending a hand in a practical manner, and free from the publicity with which our help is unfortunately usually associated. Regarding the show, entry fees, prizes offered, etc., these are details of little importance compared with the main issue, and should be easily surmountable.

E. W. Allsopp.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—What a glorious picture was painted by Mr. J. W. Saywell, wherein he shows the extraordinary virtues of all who have voted in favour of "White Rose" being a Canary-Bullfinch. The beauty of the picture lies in the fact that most of them are such very disinterested and unprejudiced parties. (I don't think.) Away in the background, hanging their heads in shame, are the creatures who have dared to question the parentage of the mysterious bird. It seems almost like sacrilege to criticise such a picture: but really J. W. Saywell ought to play the game and stick to facts. He quotes Mr. C. Houlton as a great authority, and states that he placed "White Rose" first at Liverpool, which is not correct, as Mr. Houlton left "White Rose" cardless at Liverpool, and according to a letter published in Cage Birds. Mr. C. Houlton judged "White Rose" on a previous occasion, and placed it second in a class of three entries, first prize going to a common variegated Goldfinch Mule. J. W. S. then states that "White Rose" is in the wrong hands. I quite agree with him, for had it been in some hands it would have been put in its proper place long ago. Mr. Saywell suggests that it should have carried all before it. In reality it has got more than it was justly entitled to, and has been the luckiest bird ever staged. Even if it had been an undoubted Canary-Bullfinch it would not have been worth all that it has got. It is simply a badly splashed variegated gird, and even as a Canary-Bullfinch, has been greatly overrated. A similarly splashed Mule from the Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Redpoll or Twite, would be practically worthless for exhibition purposes. It has a Greenfinch-Bullfinch coloured dark splash on the back, the lower breast and flanks are dark Greenfinch-Bullfinch in colour, the splashed wings are mixed with Greenfinch-Bullfinch coloured dark feathers, the dark side of the tail is Greenfinch-Bullfinch in colour; and the whole bird, except the light feathers, is entirely Greenfinch-Bullfinch in character. In the interests of the Fancy, I hope that our judges henceforth will examine this bird carefully with an open mind, and judge it on its merits, disregarding statements as to its breeding, etc. In my previous letter I answered all Mr. Parlett's questions, and in return I asked him a few simple, though pertinent questions, which he either has not understood or is afraid to answer. Please allow me to repeat a few of them. Will Mr. Parlett say why he, or those who are supporting him, have never attempted to explain how "White Rose" happens to show so much of the Greenfinch? Why is he so afraid to enter it in the light Canary Mule class? Will he let us know what is the natural colour of the light plumage of "White Rose"? Does colour-feeding affect its colour as much as it affects British Birds, such as Linnets, Greenfinches, Bullfinches, etc.? If Mr. Parlett still refuses to reply, I think your readers may safely draw their own conclusions.

Patrick.

Sir,—Having kept many varieties of British Birds, and bred many varieties of Mules and Hybrids during the last thirty-five years. I have naturally taken much interest in the discussion on the latest sensation, the reputed light Canary-Bullfinch Mule. After first seeing a report of it in Cage Birds, I felt quite fidgety till I got a good look at it, which I did at the first possible opportunity. On entering the show I soon made a bee-line for the Mule section, and found the rarity sitting complacently in front of a small crowd of much interested fanciers. Well, my first impression of the bird was—What a fine, noble bird it is! Dark Canary-Bullfinches were in the same class, but they were absolute weeds in comparison. Even the Greenfinch-Bullfinches were not in it for size and substance. Awaiting my opportunity, I took the liberty of lifting the cage, so as to get a better light on the bird, and at once the Canary part seemed to almost vanish, and the Greenfinch became evident. On examining the wings and tail I found clear evidence of the Greenfinch. The formation of the head and beak was more like the Greenfinch-Bullfinches than the Canary-Bullfinches in the same class, and the variegation is quite opposed to the general rule of variegation in Canary Mules, but is more like that of partial Albino British Birds. As a rule the dark feathers in a Mule's wing begin from the inner flights, the light feathers from the outer flights; in the tail the light feathers spread from the centre, the outer ones remaining dark, so long as there are dark feathers in the tail. The wing of "White Rose" is light on the inner flights, and dark on the outer, and it is on the dark flight feathers that the Greenfinch stamp is conspicuous, as they carry a pronounced deep yellow bar. One side of the tail is light, the other side dark; here again the dark feathers show an undeniable stamp of the Greenfinch. To casual observers the light plumage may suggest a Canary extraction, but we have seen clear yellow Yellowhammers, white, cream-coloured and cinnamon Greenfinches, white and other abnormally coloured Bullfinches, etc., etc.

One very notable point in the correspondence is that they who have made most noise in proclaiming this bird to be a Canary-Bullfinch have never yet attempted to explain how it happens to show such unmistakable evidences of the Greenfinch. Some correspondents have suggested the possibility of two fathers. If I remember rightly, it was stated in Cage Birds that a cock Greenfinch and a cock Canary were with the hen Bullfinch. That "White Rose" is a freak is incontrovertible, because if bred from a Canary, the presence of the Greenfinch characteristics makes it a freak, and if bred from the Greenfinch the light feathers make it a freak. These are facts which no arguing can dispose of.

Mr. J. W. Saywell claims to know the owner personally, and says he is a good sport, which of course may be true, but I wonder if he ever heard of a place they call Edinburgh, or a place they call Bathgate. He may ask what this has got to do with the parentage of "White Rose"; well, just as much as the merits, or demerits, of certain judges and exhibitors of whom he so kindly gives his opinion. J. W. S. then states he fails to see any Greenfinch in the bird, but none is more blind than they who will not see. I maintain that it is better to believe the evidence of the bird itself rather than the statements of self-interested or prejudiced persons. I have little time for paper controversy, being rather fully employed on Government work. Although not a betting man, I am prepared to send to you, Mr. Editor, the sum of £5 (five pounds) to back my opinion against the opinion of any of the Canary-Bullfinch theorists who care to deposit a similar sum to back their opinion; the bird to be sent to a competent authority, who is not an exhibitor nor practising as a judge.

J. Craig.

A Soldier's Impression of Some Indian Birds.

Sir,—It may interest some of your readers if I describe some of the birds in this part of India (Poona). The first I noticed on landing at Bombay was the familiar House Sparrow, which I did not expect to see. As you go for a walk you find plenty of Wagtails, also there are any amount of Mynahs around our barracks. I don't know the names of these birds, but I thought if I described them your foreign bird experts would be able to put the names to them. One is about like our Magpie in colouring, but smaller than a Mynah. Another is a small green bird, with a bright red head, the size of our Yellowhammer. Others include a little bird, size and shape of a Robin, black with white bars on the wings; a green bird by the river-sides has a continuation of the tail like two pieces of wire. There are Kingfishers, exactly like our own at home, and one about as big as our Jay, always by a river, grand in plumage, bright blue—a lovely bird, I should think some kind of Kingfisher. Then there is a large yellow bird, coloured like a yellow Canary with black shoulders. I have also seen the Bulbul, a dark bird with red rump. A man in the Dorsets has one of these that will whistle all the bugle calls. They are about 6 annas each, or 6d., English money. I have seen several blue birds, very handsome, about the size of a Pigeon, nearly always on the ground. There are plenty of Jackdaws here, and a black bird the size and shape of our own Blackbird, but with a kind of wire tail turned outwards at the ends. There are the Hawks, too. You may be going along with your dinner in a basin, and one of these birds will swoop down; the next minute you see your dinner going up in the air in its claws. You can get plenty of Green Parrots. I have one myself. It can talk a bit. I gave one rupee for it, or 1s. 4d. It is a Rock Parrot, and they cost about eight rupees in the bazaars.

Warminster. G. Pinnell.

A Signaller Reports the Cuckoo.

Sir,—While out signalling on April 19th a friend and myself heard a Cuckoo in the direction of Broadwater Forest. Is this the first this year? Although I have joined the Army I take Cage Birds just the same and it is interesting to read others' latest doings; but still there is the feeling to be back amongst my birds again. I was the youngest member in North Manchester before enlisting. When I hear the wild birds singing and see them beginning to nest, it makes me inclined to wish I was back home again, now that the exciting time has come.

F. Jackson.

[The arrival of the Cuckoo has been noted by many observers during April, commencing about the middle of the month, the traditional date for its yearly return to us. This year there has been a remarkable absence of the abnormally early records which have been formerly so persistent each year. Among those who were misled by out of season imitations of the Cuckoo's call was the late Mr. R. Lydekker, the naturalist whose death we announced last week, and who in February last mistook the notes of a labourer for those of the Cuckoo. Either those responsible for the hoaxes which were at one time so prevalent have ceased their practical joking, or people have become more chary of accepting their efforts as the genuine calls of the bird.—Ed.]

The First Cage-bird Keeper on the Roll of Honour.

Sir,—I see by the Obituary notes in Cage Birds that we have lost another bird-lover in Mr. H. Dady, and that Mr. Crow thinks he was the first to lose his life in the great war. I am sorry to say that one of our members of the Macclesfield C.B.S., Mr. Ralph Hunt, of the 1st Cheshire Regt., was killed by a sniper when going into the trenches at Ypres on March 15. He has left a widow and one child, and I think he was the first fancier to go under.

A. Dale.

The Blackbird's Bodyguard.

Sir,—One of our fanciers has watched with interest these last few weeks the building of a Blackbird's nest in an old pail on a refuse heap. Mother Blackbird now covers a clutch of four eggs, and, as the site is very sheltered, is to be congratulated on her selection from the many other likely places which lie around. The women-folk living in the vicinity, who are in the know, have formed a special constabulary force for its protection, and woe betide the urchin who happens to make that nest his prey. I hope to forward a photograph, should the little feathered visitors arrive and prosper.

R. Muir.

When Hens Will Not Sit.

Sir,—Having seen in the Queries Columns the reply to "New Beginner's" enquiry re hen that would not sit, I write to say that I have been placed in the same position, but am pleased to say that I have now got her to sit, and the following is what I did. I took the cock away from the hen, and put him with another hen, and I think that that was the cause of her not sitting; anyhow, I covered the whole of the cages with a thin muslin cover, and am pleased to say that everything is going on satisfactorily now. I hope "New Beginner" will give this a trial if his hen is not yet sitting, and trust it will prove successful. I wish Cage Birds the success it so well deserves.

A. W. Kitching.

The Old Haunts Re-visited.

Sir,—I send you a cutting from "The Nation," thinking it would interest my fellow-readers of Cage Birds.

"Every day some new unit from abroad slips into its place for the summer season. The Chiff-chaff has its hedge of last year, the Willow Warbler the very same blackberry spray to sing from. The Butcher-bird will surely come, and about three pairs of Fly-catchers to the square mile. They are the same birds wherever possible, but there are dozens of happenings that might have prevented them from rejoining. Thousands perish at the lighthouses, armies can be drifted leagues out of their reckoning by unusual winds, old-age mortality should be thirty or forty per thousand. Yet the places are filled to the very day as they were last year. The reserves are drawn on without a hitch, and the posts are all filled."

T. Hiscock.

Important to Longton Fanciers.

Sir,—Owing to Mr. C. Barker, our late secretary, having joined the colours, no meeting of the Longton and Dis. C.B.S. has been held this year, and as I and several other old members do not wish the society to fall through, we are holding a general meeting at 8 on Tuesday, May 4, at the Roebuck Hotel, the old meeting place. As we are not over strong in exhibiting members, all novices in the district are invited: the suggested sub. is 2s. 6d. a year. I have also been asked by several Roller fanciers to start a Roller Club for Longton and Dist., and we invite them to this meeting, and if we can get enough together we can run a separate Roller club; so all turn up—old members, new members, novices, and Roller Fanciers. Those who cannot come to the meeting and who wish to join, kindly send their names to me.

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CLUB REPORTS.

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ABERSYCHAN C.B.S.

Meeting, April 24. Agreed to hold N.F. show, July 3; the sec. to get terms re judging for next meeting, May 8. Will members do their best to be there. Mr. E. Parry was elected chairman.—W. T. Couch, Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Well attended meeting, April 24, Prince of Wales Hotel, Mr. Probert presiding. Chairman stated he was pleased to see such a large number present. Decided to hold our F.F. Show June 19, at Prince of Wales Hotel. Mr. J. Parratt, Blackpool, who is in our midst for a few months, will judge; entry fee 1s. for as many entries as members wish to exhibit, a member not showing is to pay the 1s. Classes will be decided at next meeting, May 8, at 6.30.—H. H. Mortimer.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

Members please note that for our ramble May 2, train leaves Exchange L. and Y. at 10.20, arrives at Aintree, 10.49, then on to Ormskirk. We will be pleased to see members of other societies join us. On May 5, Mr. J. Thornton has kindly consented to give us a lecture on Colour Feeding, and we trust that there will be a good muster present. Subs. for 1915 are due. We have arranged the followings shows: N.F., June 16; ditto, July 17; British, Aug. 4; autumn show, Nov. 6; annual old show, Dec. 27.—E. S. Broadbent, Hon. Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Meeting, April 24, Mr. Farrer presiding over fair attendance. Decided, after a keen discussion on variegated classes, that members' classification be as last year; with the exception of yell. or buff tkd. or varieg. classes in each variety, which will now read "A.O.V." That rule and contribution cards, separate, with rules as amended at last annual meeting, be printed at once. The definition of a novice member to be printed at foot of rule card; a small charge will be made for rule cards. A question was handed in by each member present, and drawn for, same to be answered at next meeting. Fanciers cordially invited, as we can expect something good being served up in the answers.—John Peacock, Hon. Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, Headquarters, Crown Hotel, Station-st., April 7, Mr. A. Broadhurst chair, and a very good gathering. New members elected: Messrs. Padmore, Lane, Staveley, Ancott, and Sheldon; nominated: Messrs. Branch, Ellison, and Minton. This makes about 25 new members for 1915 (very healthy). Fanciers in the Midlands who wish to join a society cannot do better than join us, we want to cater for every section of the fancy; send your names along to Mr. Jones. Decided to hold N.F. Show first Sat. in July. Birds staged by 2.30; fee 8d. per cage for first three entries, and 6d. each after. Each member to be responsible for one entry at 8d. if he does not show (Roller section exempt). We hope fanciers will fall in with this idea, as it has been done with the hope of making members show so that we can have a record Nest Feather Show. 2d. will be deducted from the first three entries towards the working and balance to be distributed as prize money in each section to which the members belong. Mr. J. H. Roe judge. Will members do their best to be present at 8 prompt next Wednesday, May 5. Washing exhibition by our old and experienced fancier, Mr. J. Bastock; this will be very helpful to all members, and if you don't come you may miss something worth knowing. A. C. Shirley, Assist. Sec.

QUEEN'S PARK C.B.S.

Meeting, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road, April 22, Mr. Clark chair, a fair number present. The late Mr. Easterling was down to lecture on the Yorkshire Canary. Mr. Dewhurst, who was in attendance, is interesting himself on behalf of the late Mr. Easterling's widow, who is left unprovided for, and is collecting funds to assist her. Members will be asked to subscribe to same, and it is hoped will not forget one who was always willing to help a fancier, to give a lecture or advice, and always ready to put his hand in his pocket to give a special; he will be missed by a wide circle of fanciers. 8s. 6d. was collected from members present, and it is hoped the fund will be handsomely subscribed to. Mr. Dewhurst was asked, and consented, to judge the next young bird show. Members will be asked to vote for judge for annual show on account of the decease of Mr. Easterling. Mr. Dewhurst was then asked if he would answer any questions on birdy subjects, and kindly consented to do so, and he ably answered questions on seeds and their uses, breeding for quality of feather in Yorkshires, getting British birds in condition, and his remarks on bird catching with hand nets, and anecdotes of years of experience in the Fancy were very interesting. Mr. Dewhurst has consented to give the members a lecture and demonstration with hand nets on a future occasion, and it is hoped members will give him a warm reception. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Dewhurst closed the meeting. —W. J. Ratcliffe, Assist. Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

Meeting, April 20, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley Street, Mr. French presiding over a large attendance. Decided to have a ramble to Awns and Dendles, May 9. Member and visitors who intend going, please send to Mr. Reed, 2, Victory Street, Keyham, Devonport, by May 3. Luncheon, 1s. 6d. Train leaves Millbay 10.15. Mr. Craven read grand paper on the Yorkshire Canary, which was greatly appreciated by the members, and we hope in the near future to see it in the Press for the benefit to our soldier and sailor members who are away. Mr. Craven said that those who desired to be efficient in anything, must concentrate their spare time in one direction, so as to gain proficiency, and must not have the subject surrounded by material that is foreign to it. Taking the bird in detail, he said the ideal Yorkshire should be approximately 6½ inches in length; from top of head to centre of neck, ½ of an inch; from head to point of shoulders, 1½; from head to thighs, 3 inches; from head to end of flight, 4½; with 1½ of tail showing below the flight. He stated it was always advisable to have green blood in the bird room, as it improves colour. Mr. Craven brought some coloured plates of the Yorkshire, dated back 30 years ago, showing the difference from the present type. After the paper questions were asked and suitably answered, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Craven brought an enjoyable meeting to a close.—W. Luscombe.

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MANCHESTER & N. COUNTIES.

Meeting, April 19, with a good attendance of over thirty members. One new member was elected, making the 14th this year. It was decided to engage the Bennett Street Schools for the N.F. show; selection of judge left over till next meeting. Final arrangements were made for the ramble on May 2nd; meeting place, Stockport Fire Station, at 2. The chief item on the agenda was a lecture on "The Diseases of Cage Birds," by Mr. J. W. Cutmore, of Liverpool. Our members always look forward to Mr. Cutmore's lectures, and once again there was a keen interest taken in the useful and interesting information the lecturer imparted. We were shown the internal organs of various birds, illustrating the construction of the bird and the effects of diseases. At the close a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Cutmore. Next meeting, May 3; we are to hear Mr. Barker Clegg lecture on "Preparing Birds for Exhibition," so please let us have the usual large attendance.—F. Hayward, Hon. Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting, Gardner's Restaurant, April 21, Mr. A. Hudson presiding, with a good turn-out of members. Decided to have an open discussion next meeting night, May 5, on sweating hens and bad feeders. This should prove very instructive and helpful to all. There will also be a big discussion on the advisability of running an open show this year. Mr. W. Willison, jun., gave an interesting lecture, entitled, "Treatment to Novices." Mr. Willison is a life fancier, being the son of the well-known Scotch Fancy breeder, R. Willison. In his lecture he dwelt largely upon his father's injunction always to treat a novice honestly, for the first treatment a novice received often settled his destiny, and decided whether he made a fancier or not. If a novice was looked upon simply as a good market for inferior birds, this in many cases finished him in the Fancy. He told a very interesting story of his father starting a novice. He gave him a Scotch Fancy cock to match with a hen he had already, and this raw novice bred from the pair the winner of the Glasgow cup and Govan cup. Having to attend to his father's birds, he became a firm fancier himself. His father started him on his own as a novice by giving him a pair of Borders, and he bred some good birds from them, one getting 1st and special at Barrow, and 3rd at the Palace. His lecture brought many different views from members present, and caused a very lively discussion. A hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer brought a very good meeting to a close. Still enrolling new members.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE UNION OF C.B.S.

First meeting of the new Council was held April 24. Mr. Butler, the new president, expressed his appreciation of the position they had elected him to, and he would like the delegates to convey the same to the various societies. He was pleased to meet new faces, and the old delegates. The older ones gave one confidence, and he hoped they would all assist him in carrying out the duties of the Council. He also expressed his pleasure in meeting the new sec. The Sec. thanked the delegates for electing him to this important position, and hoped he would be able to carry on the work to the benefit of the Union, taking his view of all matters not from a society point of view, but to the strengthening and uplifting of the Union as a whole. He hoped that at the end of his term he would have merited the confidence they had placed in him. Discussion took place with regard to the new rule passed on the ballot paper re uniform subscription for all societies within a radius of five miles, and it was eventually carried that the subs. be 4s. The members' fee from various societies was settled at eightpence per member. With regard to novice medals for the coming show season, it was decided to give six for Yorks. and two for Norwich. Balloting for judging for the various societies came out as follows: Skelmanthorpe, Mr. R. Halliday; Shipley, Mr. J. Bailey; City of Bradford, Mr. A. Hirst; Bradford West, Mr. J. C. Barnes; Tong, Mr. H. Sutcliffe; Manningham, Mr. J. Greaves; Queensbury, Mr. W. Mundell; Huddersfield, Mr. E. Clegg; Laisterdyke, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe; Windhill, Mr. J. H. Chittenden; Great Horton, Mr. H. W. Battye; Bradford East, Mr. W. H. Shackleton; Halifax, Mr. P. Mason; Keighley, Mr. H. W. Walsh. Sub-committee elected: Messrs. R. Garnett, F. Hammond, A. Brown, C. R. Rushworth, T. Elsegood, W. Hellas, and W. Chapman. Decided that the various delegates get the feeling of their respective societies with regard to coming shows, and report at next meeting whether same should be on the sliding scale or not. Secs. please note that members' fees, also names and addresses are now due.—S. Midgley, Hon. Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting April 19, 67 The Broadway, Mr. W. J. Heath, the newly-elected chairman, presiding over a goodly attendance of members and visitors. The Chairman announced that Mr. F. Easterling, one of the members, had succumbed after a long illness, and the funeral had taken place that afternoon. On behalf of the Society the secretary had sent a wreath. A vote of condolence with the widow was passed, and a collection on her behalf realised £1 4s. 6d. Mr. C. W. Huckle was elected a member, and there was one nomination.

Mr. J. Robson gave a lecture on "The value of green blood," a subject the lecturer said which required very careful handling. He should not advise the novice to experiment with green birds, but to buy the ready-made article from a reliable fancier. The Green Canary was used to get that beautiful deep rich colour in the feathers, so much admired on the show bench, but great care had to be taken in selecting the right kind of green bird. What was known as the Liverpool green was no use at all for improving the colour and texture of the feather; the bronze green was what was required. Green could be made useless by double buffing. The reason for pairing yellow to buff was to retain the rich silky texture of the feather, and to keep the web of the feather as narrow as possible. But if any one continued breeding yellow to buff for five or six generations they lost all depth of colour. The careful breeder only did this for two or three seasons and then introduced the green blood. The lecturer instanced the lack of colour in the Lancashire Coppy, caused by the old-time breeders destroying every marked or variegated bird they bred. Present-day fanciers had gained experience and were wiser, since they now knew the great value the Crest breeder placed on the marked Lancashire. The best way to introduce the green blood was on the mule side, a there was then no danger of losing in size. He did not advise breeders to double yellow unless they had abundance of feather in their birds and wanted to reduce it. Double-yellowing narrowed the web of the feather, while double buffing broadened it.

A discussion followed, and Mr. Robson answered question to the satisfaction of the members. He was given a hearty vote of thanks.—G. Griffiths, Hon. Sec.

WEST STANLEY (Empire) F. & F.S.

Meeting, April 18, R. Peart presiding, with a good attendance, but we wish members would turn up at the advertised time. Mr. R. S. Bewicke was elected to judge cage birds at our show, Nov. 20. Proposed to have a trip to the Dairy and Scottish National shows, all arrangements to be in the hands of Chairman (Mr. R. Pear) and Sec.; members to pay what they wish each fortnight. A hearty welcome is given to fanciers in the district to join us, as the more we get the better. Any further information can be had of the Chairman or myself.—R. Hutchinson, Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting, Maskell's Hotel, Apr. 15, Mr. E. James chair, in absence of Mr. Whetton, reported that we could not obtain the Carlton Banqueting Hall for the open show. Decided to leave the question of hall over until next meeting. Mr. Smith raised the question of counting of cup points, and after some discussion gave notice of motion that points count backwards from commended to 1st. Sec. reported that Mr. A. Phillips wished to resign his membership. Resolved to have two young bird shows, June 17 and July 7, judge for the June show to be elected at next meeting; entry fee 7d.; prizes on sliding scale. Mr. W. H. Bowen was elected a member. Members try and attend next meeting as a very important matter has to be dealt with, also subs. are now due.—E. Thomas, Sec.

BEDFORD & BEDS UNITED C.BS

On April 15, the members met for a social evening with tea and lectures. After a tea which was splendidly served, Mr. George Osborn lectured to the members on Canary Rearing, and Mr. Arthur Simons, the hon. sec., upon Colour Harmony, and its relation to bird staging, setting forth some of the difficulties of staging birds, pointing out how they may be met, if one knows the science of colour, and giving a few principles to be borne in mind with the various colours. Mr. G. Osborn's lecture was splendid, and all the more appreciated, seeing he has stepped into his father's shoes, that gentleman being a Canary breeder many years before the lecturer was born, and he has no doubt given his son many a useful tip. Mr. Osborn is known to have one of the finest aviaries of young in the district, and this is attributed to the way he manages his stock. He was besieged with questions, which were ably answered, and one felt that if they had missed so many useful tips at this time of the year, many a young would he lost that might have been saved, had one but known the way to save them.—A. Simons, Sec.

YORK C.B.S.

Meeting, Apl. 12, All Saints' Schoolroom, Mr. A. Robinson, chair, and a good attendance. Two members were elected. Mr. A. Humphries, the well-known exhibitor and breeder of the Norwich Canary, gave a most interesting and instructive lecture on the breeding of the Norwich Canary. After telling of his experiences in showing, he dealt with the birds in full, pointing out what should be sought for and what avoided; he stated that he was a firm believer in introducing Cinnamon blood to introduce good colour for breeding purposes, and told us to avoid Liverpool Greens. Still, he said, a good bronze Green cock was a very useful bird to have in the breeding room. Mr. Humphries dealt at great length on the shape and carriage, giving full particulars as to what he considered the model Norwich, and told us about his breeding-room, cages, etc. All his cages are double breeders, with wires at the bottom of the partition for the old birds to feed the young after they were separated. Numerous questions were asked, all of which Mr. Humphries satisfactorily answered, and in conclusion said that he should be very pleased to give any young member who cared to consult him any information in his power. We propose holding an open show in November or December, arrangements to be made later. V. G. F. Zimmerman, Hon. Sec.

OPEN NORWICH P.C.

General meeting, Apl. 10, Market Tavern, Bradford. Prizes for 1914-15 were presented by chairman, W. A. Wilson, and Mr. F. Hammond presented the CAGE BIRDS specials, giving a splendid speech, which was well received by all. He said that it was a grand thing that we had such gentlemen as Messrs. F. Carl, J. W. Ramsden, E. Hattersley, J. Thomas, and others to give us such splendid trophies. Officers elected for 1915-16:—Pres., Mr. E. Hattersley; Vice-Pres., Messrs. J. W. Ramsden, F. Carl, W. A. Cowgill, J. Thomas, A. Humphries, A. Hirst, W. Crawshaw, G. Harland; chair, Mr. W. A. Wilson; vice-chair, Mr. A. Hirst; committee, Messrs. H. Clegg, F. Rhodes, H. J. Chittenden, W. A. Cowgill, A. Haigh, J. Chambers, S. Heap, A. Humphries, B. Airton, W. H. Ball, E. Hattersley, J. W. Kaberry, T. H. Mason, C. Pickup, W. Crawshaw, D. Hunter, J. Ree, J. Mottram, J. Wilcock, jun., H. Lord, Sam Wilcock, 16, Back Manor Street, Ecclesihill, Bradford, was appointed hon. sec. and treas., in place of our old and esteemed friend, Mr. F. Rhodes, who is going under an operation at Bradford Infirmary, and I am sure that all will wish him a very speedy recovery, and hope that he will soon be amongst us again. All communications must now be sent to the above address. All societies wishing to have the O.N.P.C. patronage must let me know as early as possible, and oblige—Sam Wilcock.

NORTHERN BRITISH M. & F.B.C.

Meeting, March 27, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market. Chairman (Mr. Petterson) presided over a good attendance. A very successful table show was held, Mr. J. Maddison judged. Linnet, 1st, 2nd, Bertram; 3, Petterson, 4, Hyslop. Green: 1, Bertram; 2, Hooper; 3, Petterson. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Hooper; 2, 3, Petterson. Siskin, etc.: 1, Bertram; 2, Petterson; 3, 4, Hooper. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Bertram; 2, Hooper; vhc, Petterson; hc, Hyslop. Pair: 1, 2, Hooper; 3, Petterson. For.: 1, 2, vhc, Voutt; 3, Petterson. Mr. Bertram won special most points British, and Mr Voutt Foreign. Cup given by Mr Tindle for most points over the series of table shows, Mr. Hooper, 66 points, silver spoon given by the society, Mr Voutt. Next meeting, May 1, Shield's Cafe, when the balance-sheet, election of officials, etc., and the presentation of cups and spoons won last show season will take place. Members please attend. Fanciers are cordially invited.

The following are winners of cups and spoons at shows where our patronage was granted. British Bird Cup, E. Hooper 38 points, J. Scott 35, Jamieson and Johnson 31, J. Tobling 31, G. Barker 25, J. Maddison 25, T. Almond 18, J. Davidson 15, C. Petterson 10, C. Waters 8. Mule Cup: Mr. J. Maddison 51. Foreign Bird Cup: Mr. T. Almond 42, Jamieson and Johnson 24, C. Petterson 11, J. Voutt 5. Silver Spoon—Newcastle: E. Hooper, J. Maddison, Thos. Almond. Gateshead: E. Hooper, J. Maddison, Thos. Almond. Sunderland: Messrs. Jamieson and Johnson. British and Foreign Mules, no competition.—W. Curry, Sec.

FIFE C.B.L.

Meeting, April 24, Gothenburg, Coaltown of Wemyss, Mr. T. Campbell, President, in the chair. Decided to hold a club show confined to the League on Dec. 18, in Lochgelly, with a full classification (81 classes), and specialist judge for each section, the sec. being instructed to write to judges asking their terms. Agreed to hold next meeting in Dunfermline, May 29. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—Jas. Cordery, Sec.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Meeting, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, April 20, with a good number present. Mr. Stormont, chairman. A letter from Secretary of Colinton and Currie A.S., inviting the members of the Edinburgh C.B.S. to join in ramble through Dreghorn Estate, on May 29, met with approval, and it was unanimously agreed that we join in with them; arrangements to be given out at next meeting. New members elected: Messrs. B. Shaw, J. Skinner, and N. Grant. Being question night, the Sec. gave the members an opportunity of having some of their "knotty problems" answered. All present took part in the questions, and the answering of them to the best of their ability, the Chairman remarking that he hoped a lot of good had been done in the way of saving young birds this season. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Stormont brought a very enthusiastic meeting to a close.—John C. Charlton, Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

WIGAN.

There will be a singing contest (time and quality) at the Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, on May 8, when the proprietor, Mr. Sam Fishwick, will give prizes according to entrance. Entrance fee 1s. each bird. First birds staged at 2.30 prompt.—A. Leyland, Sec.—(Advt.)

CASTLEFORD.

Weekly Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, April 24, for four prizes. Four minutes' time singing. 1, Nelson, 134; 2, Wainwright, 106; 3, Morley, 103; 4, Watkiss, 88. Open sing, April 25, for 3 prizes. 1, Watkiss, 138; 2, 3, Nelson, 96, 87.—S. Morley, Sec.

BLACKBURN.

Blackburn Linnet Singing Association first members' singing contest for quality, April 24, Headquarters, Empire Hotel, Bolton Road. 24 birds competed for 6 prizes. 1, Dobson; 2, 6, Topping; 3, Cowburn; 4, Pickering; 5, Bentley.—T. Hayhurst, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

LINNET contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair. Open sing, April 24. 30 entered for three prizes, four minutes' time singing. 1, Nelson, 150; 2, Beard, 93; 3, Bull, 92. Open sing, April 25, 33 entered for three prizes, three minutes' time singing. 1, Beard, 103; 2, Pugh, 84; 3, Scotson, 65. Biggest breaks this week, Beard 52 and 50.—S. Pugh, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Open Linnet sing, April 24, 27 birds entered for three prizes. We fully expected some visitors, but the weather was not promising, and there was an open sing at Pontefract as well. We had some good singing. 1st and 2nd, shared, Collinson and Plows; 3, Cooper. Time-keepers, O Potter and R. Collinson. Tappers, J. Wallis, J. Cooper.—R. Plows, Sec.

HINDSFORD.

Open contest, Federal Arms, April 24. 22 birds entered for time and quality, 5½ minutes' sing. 1, 3, Fairhurst; 2, Statham. Quality: 1, Dixon; 2, Ashcroft; 3, Tattam. Next open contest for time and quality, May 8, Hindsford Inn, Hindsford.—J. Fairhurst, Sec. (Please see notice above as to forthcoming contests.—Ed.)

BARNSLEY.

Linnet open sing, Commercial Inn, New Street, April 24, for 5 minutes' time singing, when some very good singing was heard. Shepherd, timer; Wareing, chalker. Jones, 4 min. 9 sec., Coe 3.57, Jones 3.49. April 25 was the best contest this season, four birds doing above 4 minutes in 5 minutes' time singing. Only a second divided 1st and 2nd. Coe 4 min. 38 sec., Jones 4.37, Jones 4.24, Coles 4.1.—J. Hardman, Sec.

WEST CORNFORTH.

Linnet singing contest, April 24. Fairless, judge. 1, Henry, Usham Moor; 2, John, Hartlepool; 3, Walker, Broom Park; timekeeper, Hodgson. A. Armstrong, Sec.

Walker will sing any man in County; meet Half Moon, Spennymoor. Singing on May 7, Elliott preferred. Linnet singing will be held at Butcher's Arms, Merrington Lane, Spennymoor, Saturday, May 1. Meet 2 o'clock. Fairless, judge. (Advt.)

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane, April 17. 24 birds competed. 1, Parkinson; 2, Whigfield; 3, Hoyd; 4, Lorriman. April 18, 28 birds competed. 1, Smith; 2, Playford; 3, Whigfield; 4, Lorriman. Judges, C. Copper, P. Madden; C. Biss, timekeeper. April 25, 23 competed. 1, Jennings; 2, 3, Whigfield; 4, Playford. Judges, C. Lorriman, H. Hayes; time-keeper, P. Madden. A. Bryan, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, April 24. 23 birds sang for three prizes. 1, J. Chadwick; 2, 3, shared by Towers and F. Johnson. Judges, Hayes and Lacy. April 25, 31 sang for 4 prizes. 1, J. Parker; 2, T. Johnson; 3, Towers; 4, shared by C. Ward and Richardson. Judges, C. Grant, Naylor, and Butler.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing for Linnets, Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Bushythorpe, April 25. 19 good birds competed for three prizes, and the singing delighted the crowded room. 1, Blackburn; 2, 3, Sheard, King and Laycock. Judges, Clayton and Selfins. Members please note that all entrance money must be paid up by May 9.—T. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

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Questions and Answers.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

NOT YET BREEDING (Tom-tit).—I do not think anything is wrong beyond the birds being just a little backward in condition. They will probably very soon show more earnest desire to nest. The fact that a pair of Bullfinches you have are breeding is no criterion that all Canaries should also be nesting. In addition to the staple seed diet, give every second day a small teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle, and broken groats. Give also a small growing stool of young dandelion daily. This should suffice to quickly bring them into condition.

TESTING EGGS (G.C.).—It is not difficult to distinguish whether eggs are fertile or not when they have been sat upon from about five days onwards, by holding them up in front of a strong light in the tips of the thumb and forefinger. A piece of black, or dark-coloured, card with a hole about the size of the outline of an egg, and held behind the egg to shield the light from the eye will be a great help. If the egg is fertile the contents seen through the shell will appear dark and opaque, more or less according to the time they have been sat upon, whilst one that has not been fertilised will appear clear and transparent, the same as a new-laid egg, which may be looked at for the sake of comparison. At the same time I would advise you not to let such things as anxiety and suspense worry you whilst the eggs are undergoing incubation, or you are not unlikely to upset the hens by fussy interference. Take things more as a matter of course, and do not worry about testing eggs, which is of no material service. You would find the method more fully dealt with in the handbook on "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager would send you for 7d., post free.

CANNOT PERCH (A.B.).—It is impossible to give you any helpful advice, as you do not give the slightest clue to found an opinion upon. The bird is clearly in no condition to put up for breeding, so you may as well separate her, and cage her alone, and whilst doing this thoroughly examine into the condition of the eyes and sight, and the claws and feet. See that the perches are of a proper size and well fitting, not loose and wobbly. Then give a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut daily for a week, and add to the drinking water every second day during the week ten drops of lemon juice and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence. If bird is not then considerably better please write again, and give the fullest particulars you can of all symptoms displayed, and also state the condition in which you find the eyes and feet.

TROUBLE WITH HENS (W.P.B.).—It is certainly curious that so many of your hens should have simultaneously fallen ill with egg-binding troubles, and I am inclined to think that the case will be found in your management to which the birds are all alike exposed. It may also be due to some ovarian affection set up by some item in your bill of fare. The only certain way to clear up this was to submit the body of the one that died to a post-mortem, which would have been of the utmost value to you. If another dies in similar circumstances, by all means get a post-mortem on it. The hens, I suspect, are of just that type in which the use of dandelion as a green food is extremely risky, and I would advise you to cut this, and also the linseed completely out of the dietary. In addition to the staple diet, give every second day for a fortnight or so, a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, teazle, niger, broken groats, and a slight sprinkling of mustard seed. Give a spray of watercress, chickweed, or the tender tips of young groundsel daily. In the water add 20 drops of syrup or buckthorn daily for three days, and after this give instead six drops each of tincture of calumba, tincture of steel and dilute sulphuric acid for a few days. I'm afraid these hens will do no good at breeding this season, and in any case you had better separate them for a fortnight or so, whilst undergoing the above treatment.

STOPPED TICKING (R. McL.).—Thanks for your report. Glad to hear that the bird has stopped making the ticking noise. Considering the condition of the bird when you wrote, this is almost all that may be hoped—alleviation, rather than cure. You cannot do better than continue the treatment advised before, giving it for a fortnight, and then omitting it for a week. Continue thus for two or three months, when the bird may make a fair amount of progress. Only too pleased to be of assistance at any time.

TROUBLESOME GREY LICE (Miss Hater).—I hardly agree with you as to the difficulty of eradicating grey lice, as, providing the birds are not up for breeding, it is decidedly easier to deal with this trouble effectually than with red mites. If birds are not mated for breeding, and you are expert at hand washing, or have a friend who can assist you in the matter, wash all the infested birds by hand, and in the two first waters you use in the process mix a little Creolin, in the proportion of a teaspoonful to a pint of water, and whilst the birds are drying well wash out the cages and appliances with a similar solution. Repeat the whole procedure after an interval of a week, to destroy any new stock that may have hatched out from "nits" in the meantime, and you will be free enough from this pest for the time being. If the birds are breeding, the best thing you can do is to give a bath three times a week for a time, and dissolve in the water a teaspoonful of sulphuretted potash, in each pint of the water, for the birds to bathe themselves. As a rule it is weakly stock that are infested with this pest, so you would do well to look into the general condition of your stock.

NO PROGRESS (Mosser).—There can be no doubt that you mated the birds in the first instance before they were in breeding condition, which is always a mistake, and very often upsets the birds for some time, and prevents them settling down to business in earnest. As the season is now getting into full swing, it will be safe to leave those pairs together which you have already re-mated, but the Yorkshires may just as well be kept in the same way as now until the hen shows some definite signs of wanting to nest. There is nothing whatever to be gained by putting birds together which have no such desire. Feed as follows for a few weeks, and if the birds are in a normal condition of health they should very soon be making more earnest efforts at nesting. For staple diet give a mixture of three parts Canary to one part summer rape seed. In addition give separately every second day a small teaspoonful of a mixture of two parts each of hemp, millet and niger; one part each teazel and broken groats; half part linseed, and quarter part mustard to each pair of birds, or half this quantity to each bird caged separately. On the alternate days give to each pair a small teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it, and of this also give half the quantity to singly caged birds. Give a freshly gathered stool of young dandelion-leaves, blossoms and seed heads, daily to each bird. You may add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water of each bird for two days, but no other drug treatment should be necessary.

PLUCKING FEATHERS (C. E. S.).—Your letter rather confirms my previous suspicion that the bird is not really a Canary. You should make a rough coloured sketch of it, no matter how rough, and send it, together with a full description of its size and general appearance, especially the size and shape of its beak and feet and the type of tail, to our Mr. Page for identification. Meantime you might add white millet to its staple diet to the extent of about one-third of the bulk. It is not unlikely the feather-plucking has developed into a habit, in which case no medicinal treatment is of any use at all. You may try the effect of tying a few pieces of short string on the wires of its cage, near the ends of the perches, for it to amuse itself with, and thus divert its attention from its plumage. A piece of cuttlefish bone stuck in the wires for it to peck at would also be useful for this purpose.

GROWTH ON WING (Forth).—(1) The growth is undoubtedly an abnormal feather, often termed a "blood-feather." The best treatment is to tie a ligature of fine silk or thread tightly around the base, close to the skin, and leave the rest to Nature. The growth will shrivel and drop off naturally in a week or two, without any inconvenience to the bird. Should it have burst again, so that a ligature is impracticable, paint the spot with a little extract of Witch Hazel every second day for a week. Your dietary errs rather on the side of generosity. For the next few weeks omit the linseed from the mixture altogether; stop the bread and milk and substitute some kind of green salad for the banana, and give the green food daily. Every second day for a week add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice to the water. (2) There is no certain way of distinguishing the sex of Norwich Plainheads different from other breeds. The differences are all comparative, and often very slight. In a general way the cock is a trifle larger and fuller about the head and neck, the eye is fuller and bolder, the carriage and general demeanour more bold and defiant, and the call-note more incisive and ringing. The under tail coverts are also fuller, giving a more graceful sweep of outline from the lower breast to the tail. The voice itself is more mellow, and the song full, sustained, and unbroken, the throat pulsating very perceptibly as the notes are produced. The song is quite the most reliable guide for the tyro.

WHAT CLASS? (One Interested).—No, the bird you describe is not eligible to compete in a class for "clear or ticked." Having more than two technical marks, it is only eligible for the "Uneven-marked" class. Of course, I am taking it that the dark feathers on the left wing are flight feathers. If I am wrong, and the dark feathers on the wing are among the small feathers on the wing, butt, or bow, "scapulars" or small coverts, in fact, then the bird would be eligible for a class for ticked birds. It does not matter about the marking being very little. So long as it exists on technical points it must count as a mark, irrespective of its size.

EGG-BINDING (Novice, A. M.).—Your query reached the office too late for a reply to appear in last issue (please see Rule 6). I fear the cause of the trouble in this case is a delicate and weakly constitution. I doubt whether you will do any good with her, this season anyway; but you may try what the following treatment will do for her by the time she goes to nest the second time. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and dusted with soft sugar every second day. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle, linseed and broken groats. Give a spray of watercress, chickweed, or the tender tips of groundsel daily, but be careful to avoid giving dandelion to this hen. In the drinking water add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and ten drops of syrup of buckthorn for three consecutive days. Afterwards give six drops each of tincture of steel, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid. When she is about nesting again, add ten drops of glycerine and twenty drops of gin to the water about every second day until the clutch is laid, and also smash up a little old mortar and mix it with the sand on the floor of the cage.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Buttye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1), Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

FEEDING GOLDFINCH AND CANARY (A New Reader).—You have omitted to send your name and address, which is contrary to our rules. In feeding a cock Goldfinch and hen Canary it is the Goldfinch you have to study more than his mate; he is the more delicate of the two, and consequently the more difficult to manage; for this reason it is a good plan to keep them apart while the Canary is sitting and rearing. When they are together give canary as a staple diet, a spoonful of mixed seeds every other day, and on alternate days a dozen sound sunflower seeds, these are capital food for the Goldie, and also the Canary, but as she will only consume a small quantity, the remainder will keep the Goldie going. If you part them when the hen is sitting all she will require until the young are hatched is sound Canary seed. Many Finches are not to be trusted with the Canary continually, as they are destructive to the eggs, and the usual method is to shut them off each night when she is expected to lay. I have had Goldies I have been able to allow with the hen all through, but the majority of breeders do not trust them, and to shut them off is the safer way, if you value the eggs and young ones. If you are anxious to keep them together, just try him for one clutch.

BULLFINCHES BREEDING (Tom-Tit).—(1) I have never had any personal knowledge of Bullfinches breeding in captivity, but from time to time fanciers have stated their successes with them, and these I fear are quite isolated cases, as the cock Bullie is a notoriously bad breeder when in confinement. (2) If you are successful with your birds and they should succeed in hatching young ones, you had better feed them in the following manner. Give seeds as usual, including plenty of sunflower, procure some good quality insectile food as given to Nightingales, etc., and make it just crumbly moist, adding about a fifth of hard-boiled egg broken up with a fork; they should be supplied with this, freshly mixed each morning, in fact twice a day would be better, also supply wild food of all kinds, including plenty of seeding grass, this latter is excellent food for them, and they will use a good quantity of it, if they start to feed the young ones. (3) Leave them together; if you part them they will be so upset, that your chances of success will be considerably reduced.

TAMENESS OF SISKIN-MULE (H.O.T.).—The excessive tameness of your bird is not an exceptional case. I do not know that the Siskin-Mule is more tractable than say the Redpoll-Mule, they are both descendants of birds that are about as easy to get steady as any of our British birds, but tameness in any species is not strictly speaking a general characteristic, individuals differ; some come to hand at once, others remain for ever flightly and unsteady. This applies equally to Canaries and Mules, the latter as a rule are not noted for tameness.

CANARY AND BULLFINCH HEN (A.C.H.P.).—You appear to be feeding your birds correctly, and I am surprised to hear the hen did not lay, especially as they were on such good terms. I think I would try them another season, and if not successful, it will be because the hen is either barren or beyond the breeding age. As a rule the hen Bullie is a prolific egg producer, the difficulty is to get them fertile.

MATE FOR GOLDFINCH HEN (Novice W.E.).—I would advise you to mate your Goldie with a good steady cock Greenfinch, the produce is not one one of the rarest Hybrids, but you will be more likely to be successful with them than by trying other crosses. If you wish to try something more choice, the Linnet or Redpoll would perhaps be the next best, they should be introduced to each other as early as possible.

FEEDING GOLDFINCH MULE (A. Poole).—During the summer months Goldfinch-Canary mules should be kept rather low in condition, as they are likely to get very rank. Let the staple food be four parts canary and one part summer rape, a spoonful of mixed seed twice a week, and a few sunflowers occasionally. Be liberal with all kinds of green food and wild seeds. Keep him in a big cage, and let him bathe frequently. As the moult approaches you can increase the supply of mixed seed, and of course soft food in July if you intend to colour feed.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each). No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BUDGERIGARS (A.M.C.).—I should not introduce the new birds into the cage at present. Wait till any young hatched out are fairly fledged and almost ready to leave the nest. While there is a risk of disturbance if you put in the new birds, there is a possibility that the incubating hen may not desert, and you must decide whether you take what risk there is. On the whole, perhaps better not. You are anxious to have young birds. If the eggs are good they will hatch out about the 24th or 25th inst. If you then see any half-shells about you can conclude that there are young in the nest. The best course will be to secure the one brood if possible, and then turn in the new birds.

PARROT WITH BARE PATCHES (E. Green-away).—There has not yet been time for any permanent improvement; it takes time to undo the effects of a period of improper treatment. You should not indulge it with cocoa, at such times as she has been getting this, have a little chemical food, fairly strong, prepared with hot water and slightly sweetened, and let it have this when it asks for the cocoa. You must continue the treatment already advised and report again in another few weeks. I do not advise starving it to any particular food, and as regards the seed, supply the ordinary mixture, but also keep a tin of canary and millet in the cage as well, or give it a mixture of half canary seed and millet, half the usual large mixture, and then if it picks out the large first do not be in any hurry to replenish the tin till it has partaken also of some of the small seed. The two preparations to which you refer are very similar.

PARAKEETS IN SMALL AVIARY. (A. H.).—You certainly cannot keep many, as these birds require room. I should advise you to have not more than four pairs of the smaller Parrakeets, say two pairs Budgerigars, and one pair each Lovebirds and Parrakeets. Choose your Lovebirds from the following Madagascar, Blue-winged, and Black-cheeked, and the Parrakeets from: All-green, yellow-winged, orange-flanked, or in lieu of these a pair of Cockatiels. Or if you prefer you could people it entirely with Budgerigars, either 3 or 4 pairs, but do not in such case procure all from the same source. If you get each pair from a different source, your young could then pair promiscuously without fear of deteriorating your stock by inbreeding. Our Nutshell, "Budgerigars," 2½d. post free, from our manager, would tell you fully how to proceed.

FOOD FOR YOUNG GREY PARROT (Urgent).—A purchaser should always ascertain how a young Parrot has been fed when procuring it, and continue this dietary for a time, if it be wrong, then gradually getting it on to the proper dietary. You had better give it a little boiled maize for a time; this must be prepared fresh daily, as it soon turns sour. Boil the maize till soft (but not into a sticky mass), drain off all water, then add ten drops of cod liver oil emulsion, allow this to soak in a little, then give it a stir up and supply to the bird. If properly prepared, the corn should remain whole, yet be quite soft. (2) It all depends whether the bird is used to water or not, if it is then it can be left in, but otherwise you must gradually accustom it to it by merely letting it have a few sips several times during the day, then a little later it should be safe to leave it in altogether. You must also supply seed mixture and ripe fruit, such as banana, apple, etc., and keep a piece of cuttlebone hanging in the cage. As time goes on you can gradually bring it in to the diet of the adult bird. You had better get our Nutshell "The Grey Parrot," 2½d. post free, from our manager—it will give you full information.

SHAMAS NOT FEEDING (A.M.B.).—These birds do not as a rule moult twice in the year, but at first birds in captivity are a bit abnormal in this respect, and at times take a partial moult out of season. They are not great eaters as a rule, and rather dainty, picking out of their mixture what they fancy, and leaving the rest. They are insectivorous birds, and can have mealworms fairly liberally, certainly a dozen per bird, per diem, will not hurt them, and they can also have any other insects you can capture for them, such as beetles, earwigs, smooth caterpillars, grasshoppers, spiders, etc. You do not say whether you are keeping these bird in cage or aviary, and this handicaps me to some extent in replying. I should suggest your getting one pound each of ants' eggs and dried flies, and increasing the bulk of these in the insectivorous mixture you buy. You could also add to the mixture, after it is moistened, a little York cheese. You can easily crumb the latter by pressing it through a piece of wire gauze with a knife—the gauze should be stretched on a light wood frame.

AMAZON WITH NASAL DISCHARGE (D.W.).—Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water, continue the above treatment for a month at least. Bathe or spray the nostrils with a tepid glyco-thymoline solution till the running ceases. In addition to the seed mixture supply ripe fruit daily, it can also have biscuit, dry stale crusts and plain cake. For the present give it a little boiled maize daily, about a dessert spoonful boil till soft, drain off all water, drop over it 15 drops of cod-liver oil emulsion, and when cool supply to the bird. Cuttlebone, grit, and a piece of wood (natural branch is best) should be continually in the cage. Keep the bird warm and out of draught. Examine its mouth, and if furred, or slimy, or there are any white spots showing, put in a little honey and borax from the end of a stick, not much at a time, daily till the mouth is quite clear. Report progress about a month hence.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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B. South.—Cock Canary died in a fit. The liver was in a condition of fatty degeneration, a contributing cause of the trouble.

A.E.E.—Ptomaine poisoning due to impurities generated in the food.

W. I. Diffey. Inflammation of the bowels.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR

Miss Tommason.—Thanks for cutting received.

J. Craig.—We are unable to trace the letter to which you refer. If you can give us some more definite idea of the date we will make a further search.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

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Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—May 4, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel St., 8. Lecture by Mr. Cutmore, Liverpool. Friends invited.—J. Spencer.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—May 4. P.S.A. Rooms, Albion St., 8. Selection of judge for F.F. show, picnic, etc.—J. Whitehead.

Accrington C.B.S.—May 6, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Very important.—D. Harwood.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—May 1, Miners' Theatre, Ashington, 7.30. Classification and judge; new members invited.—C. F. Tapson.

Aberdeen Amalgamated C.B.S.—May 7, Trades' Hall, Belmont St., 8. Business important; a hearty invitation is given to fanciers to join our society.—R. J. Robertson.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—May 5, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. Lecture on British Birds, by Mr. H. Whitney, and details of ramble; also number of members joining in ramble.—C. Bailey.

Bedlington C.B.S.—May 1, Turks' Head Hotel, 7. New members enrolled and other important business.—T. H. Thompson.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—May 4, New Inn, 8. Discussion on rearing and weaning young birds.—A. Wood.

Bradford East O.S.—May 4, Park Chapel Schoolrooms, 8. General business. Schedules ready. Subs. due; new members invited.—J. Spencer.

Blaenavon C.B.S.—May 6, Crown Hotel, 6.30. Open show, and any other business.—G. T. Jones.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S. May 5, Headquarters, 7.45.—J. C. Bell.

Bootle C.B.S.—May 4, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, 8. Important F.F. show business.—A. E. Huyton.

Barnsley C.B.S.—May 1, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. General bus.—E. Toulson.

Chorley C.B.S.—May 5, Shepherds Hall, 7.30. Very special business. Members and friends kindly attend.—J. H. Welch.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—May 5, Crown Hotel, Hill St., 8. Washing exhibition, by Mr. J. Bastock.—J. H. Jones.

Choppington Scotland Gate C.B.S.—May 1, Social Club, 7.30.—Special business.—Thomas Rigg.

Clapham C.B.A.—May 4, Clock House, 8. Special meeting re ramble and annual open show.—T. J. Hose.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—May 3, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8. Young bird show.—J. Southworth.

Doncaster C.B.S.—May 8, Black Bull, 7. General business.—G. Hunt.

Edinburgh Norwich and M.B.S.—May 6, 142, High St., 8. General.—J. Stormont.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—May 1, Black Swan, 7. General business.—A. Walton.

East Ham F.S.—May 6, Earl of Wakefield, 8.30. Lecture, on the Fancy in general, by Mr. T. G. Bransford. Visitors heartily welcomed. — W. A. Harwood.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—May 1, Fountain Inn, 6.30. Arranging members' shows, classes, etc., and spls. for the season.—S. Wilcock.

Glasgow, West of Scotland O.S.—May 1, Nelson Temp. Hotel, 7.30. New members now being enrolled. Full particulars from—Wm. Hutchison, 167, Hospital St., Glasgow.

Haltwhistle C.B.S.—May 6, Mr. J. Nicholson's, 8. To arrange for N.F. show and general business; subs. now due; all interested invited.—Wm. Tallantyre.

Halifax O.S.—May 1, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Members' meeting.—H. Clegg.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—May 4, The Nightingale Hotel, High Rd., Wood Green, 8. Open meeting; also to arrange ramble; all welcome. — P. Brooks.

Hyson Green C.B.S.—May 4, Headquarters, 8. Arrangements for F.F. show.—A. E. Moult.

Huddersfield O.S.—May 1, White Hart Hotel, 7. Final arrangements for ramble, May 8. Delegates' report of Y.U. of C.B.S. meeting.—A. Lawford.

Halifax C.B.S.—May 6, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 8. Members' meeting. Experiences of the breeding season up to date. Friends heartily invited.—A. Sutcliffe.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—May 5, St. George's, 8. Feather show arrangements.—J. W. Thornton.

Idle C.B.S.—May 5, Springfield Hotel, 7.30. Business important.—C. E. Hylton.

Islington F.A.—May 3, Congregational Schools, Walters Road, Holloway, N., 8.30.—J. R. Young.

Liverpool B.B.A.—May 13, Oldham Hall, 8. Lectures on Colour-feeding Canaries, by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, and British, by Mr. W. Jones. Friends invited.—T. R. Jones.

Lancaster C.B.S.—May 1, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, 7.30. Selection of judge for annual show, and other business.—H. Hoyle.

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Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—May 4, White Swan, 8. Ailments of young birds by Mr. Jno. Allen.—A. Freestone.

Leith O.S.—May 8, Liberal Club, Hope Street, 7. Arrangements for ramble.—G. W. Brown.

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Long Eaton C.B.S.—May 1, Sawley Road Council Schools, 7, and 7.30. Usual business. G. Baines.

Middleton C.B.S.—May 3, Old Boar's Head, 8. Young bird show; selection of trophy. Members note.—This is an important meeting. Jas. Hulton.

Macclesfield C.B.S.—May 6, Haybrook St. School, 7.45. Special paper on "Treatment of Young Birds," by J. S. Barrett. H. Hall.

Manchester and N. Counties O.S May 3, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Lecture, "Preparing Birds for Exhibition," by Mr. Barker Clegg. Friends invited. F. Wilkinson.

Morley C.B.S.—May 4, Shoulder of Mutton, Brunt cliffe, 7.30. Show business.—Wm. Bywater.

Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S.—May 6, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Paper on Norwich, Mr. A. Holden. N.F. show, Hall, classes and judges. Another very important item: subscriptions.—J. W. Reed.

Northern Border F.C.C.—May 5, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Lecture by Mr. T. C. Crawhall on "Line Breeding"; also general business; fanciers cordially invited. Subs. due.—C. Farrer.

Northern Brit. Mule and F.B.C.—May 1, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, 8. Presentation of cups, etc.; election of officials and balance sheet.—W. Curry.

North West London F.A.—May 6, "Stag's Head," Hawley Street, Chalk Farm, N.W.—J. R. Young.

North Manchester C.B.S.—May 8, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Rd., 8. Delegates' report. New members and friends invited.—A. Colley.

New Cross C.B.S.—May 3, Salisbury Hotel, Clock Tower, Lewisham, 7.30. Papers on "birdy" subjects by members. We hope all will write a short article.—Burton Bros.

National Green-Marked Y.C.C.—May 1, Market Tavern, Godwin St., Bradford, 3. Annual general meeting.—J. Chambers.

Newsham C.B.S.—May 1, Willow Tree Inn, 7. Special meeting to fix show date and judge, and to arrange classes.—Wm. Gibb.

Oxford C.B.S.—May 5, "Welsh Pony," George St., 8. F.F. show business.—A. F. Fifield.

Pudsey, Stanningley C.B.S.—May 3, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 7.30.—Roy Kell.

Perth City and County C.B.S.—May 3, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard St., 8. N.F. show.—J. L. Smith.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—May 13, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Rd., 8. Complete arrangements for young bird show.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Queensbury C.B.S.—May 6, Granby Hotel, 7.30. Important.—W. Jagger.

Reading C.B.S.—May 5, Palmer Hall, at 8 p.m. All members earnestly requested to attend. Secretary will give a paper on the internal organs of a Canary.—O. C. Smith.

Redcar C.B.S.—May 5, Crown and Anchor, 7.30. General business, etc. Also proposition as to new rules.—W. Boagey.

Runcorn B.B.A.—May 6, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Final for table show.—E. Rone.

Redhill C.B.S.—May 5, Watkin's Hotel, 8. Table show of Greenie's and Bullies, Classes for Young bird show.—G. Martin.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—May 5, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. Alteration of rule 4; also F.F. show. Business important.—J. Coupe.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—May 4, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8. Lecture by Mr. Wareing, Tottington, on Rollers. G. Lord.

S.E. London F. and F.A.—May 3, 71, Albany Rd., Old Kent Rd., 8. General meeting and lecture by Mr. G. Gardner. Fanciers and ladies cordially invited.—R. Jackson.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—May 3, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Arrangements for N.F. shows.—J. Pitchford.

South Shields.—May 1, Cyprus, 7. Rules, etc.—W. L. Smith.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—May 4, Liberal Club, 8. Important business.—W. Everett.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—May 3, Commercial Hotel, 7.30. Special Union business.—S. B. Grayshon.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—May 6, Little Regent Inn, 8. Important.—J. W. Lowes.

Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—May 1, Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea Rooms, Front St., 5.30. Most important.—Dodd and Wilfred.

Shipley O.S.—May 5, Victoria Hotel, 7. Business important. Delegates' reports of Union meeting.—Long and Craven.

Sheffield C.B.S.—May 6, Wentworth Cafe, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. H. W. Battye. All fanciers welcomed.—A. Hobson.

Southampton C.B.S.—May 5, Waterloo Hotel, 6.30. Table show, British and Foreign, and judging competition.—W. L. Page.

Sheffield O.S.—May 4, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Arrangements N.F. show and show of foreign birds. Prizes, 3s., 2s., 1s. Judge, Dr. Mylan.—E. C. Job.

St. Quintin Park Kensington F. and F.S.—May 6, The Institute, Tavistock Mews, Portobello Road, 8. Rabbit judging competition.—A. P. M. Tarrant.

Wibsey C.B.S.—May 1, Horse and Groom, 7. Monthly business and show schedules.—W. Chapman.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—May 6, Duke of York, Princess St., 8.15. Lecture by Mr. Weaver on the Norwich Plainhead.—Wm. Harrison.

Walkden and Dis. Roller S.—May 4, Stocks Hotel, 7.30. Discussion on judging standard; date of open contest, etc.—E. Hibbert.

Wallasey C.B.S.—May 6, Headquarters, 8. Discussion on the feeding and staging young birds, to be opened by Mr. Young.—Wm. Mallinson.

West Stanley Gardan Houses F.F. and C.B.S.—May 2, Club Room. Business important.—J. Armitage.

Windhill C.B.S.—May 1, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Prizes for members' shows; open show classification; any alterations in members' addresses; those owing subs. please pay before end of May.—J. Taylor.

Wigan C.B.S.—May 1, Legs of Man Hotel, 7. Lecture on the Norwich Plainhead, by Mr. W. Dyer. Friends cordially invited.—E. Ball.

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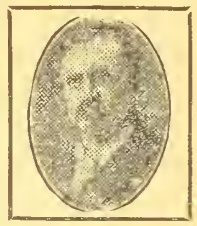

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Twitterings.

We hear that Mr. J. W. Metcalfe (Liverpool) is judging at Bootle June 19, Ardwick July 10, Laisterdyke (Bradford) Dec. 18, Kendal Dec. 27.

The Queen's Park (Glasgow) C.B.S. has fixed the annual show for Dec. 4, in Victoria Rooms, Victoria Road, Govan Hill, Glasgow, writes Mr. E. Holliday. Judges, Messrs. Holmes and Dewar, Edinburgh.

The members of the Clapham C.B.S. will ramble to Effingham Common on May 16. The hon. sec., Mr. T. J. Hose, 5, Wells Crescent, Camberwell, would be glad to hear from anyone desirous of joining the party; all are welcome, members or not.

Members of the London and Counties A.C.B. are requested to note next meeting, May 15, "Questions and Answers on Breeding Topics," writes Mr. W. Gilbert, hon. sec., and also to follow "Club Notices" in CAGE BIRDS, as there will be no more cards sent out.

For the ramble of the National British Bird and Mule Club to Beaconsfield and Denham, May 15, writes Mr. J. P. Carr, 45, Overdale Road, South Ealing, the morning party leave Paddington by the 9.27 for Beaconsfield, and the afternoon party by the 1.25 train. Will all friends who would like to join us kindly let me know by May 12, so that arrangements can be made for refreshments, etc. Members to take their own tickets.

I am writing to express my thanks for the honour you have conferred upon me in placing my buff cock, 1st at the Cardiff National show, on the front page of CAGE BIRDS, an honour which I think is the highest compliment that can be paid to a fancier; also my very best thanks to the artist for the life-like drawing of him. Shall I, Mr. Editor, pay you a compliment in return by expressing my admiration for dear old CAGE BIRDS, which I have read from its commencement. Thanking you again for the honour.—P. J. Owen.

I have gone in partnership with my brother, writes Mr. J. Woolhouse, and in future we shall show as J. and L. Woolhouse; the variety we keep are Norwich.

We have received the balance-sheet of the Sheffield O.S., which shows a very satisfactory result of the year's working, and a balance in hand of £71 7s. 5d., an increase of £6 2s. 11d. over the amount brought forward from 1913, although there was a loss on the members' show of Jan. 17, 1914, and only a small profit on the First Feather show. The two special members' shows produced substantial profits for the charities on behalf of which they were held. £5 was handed to the Lord Mayor's War Relief Fund, as the result of the combined societies members' show, and £5 14s. 5d. realised upon the second of the charity shows went to the Belgian Relief Fund.

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The Raven's Wooing.

E. M. J., in "The Scotsman," tells of a Raven which a friend of his has had for about twenty-six years. Recently he has been liberated, but his house still remains to which he can retire at pleasure. "Jock" has developed a passion of adoration for a handsome laverock setter. No sooner does the dog show his shapely white body at the door than Jock runs to greet him. With the outstretched wings of an Ostrich, the sidelong gait of a crab, and the rapid phantasy of a Pavlova, Jock projects himself across the lawn, utters a low continuous chuckle, and placing himself before the setter's eye, curtseys and hobs, sidles round and round with half-open beak, the very picture of an unreasoning admiration, and, at last creeping nearer and nearer with that insane chuckle, lays his beak tenderly on the dog's body. Thoroughly disgusted, as always, the latter gets up and resignedly looks for another place.

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The neighbourhood of Surlingham Broad, Norfolk, once a favourite haunt of Nightingales, was reported last year to be entirely deserted by them. This year again, it is said that not a single Nightingale has been heard in the locality.

Robin's Nest in a Bass Broom.

A Robin has hatched a clutch of four young in a nest which she built in the head of a bass broom resting against the garden fence of a small cottage in St. Albans. The broom-head was within a foot of the kitchen window.

Coming and Departing Guests.

England in spring-time is one vast clearing house for birds. Myriads have arrived, and myriads are going, northward bound. Birds seek the coolest part of their habitat for the rearing of their young. The birds now taking up their quarters with us have come from the torrid South, while those that depart are bound for the still cooler airs of the Arctic summer, to return to us with winter, bringing their olive branches with them.

The Same Old Question.

It is said that the Cuckoo is able to answer questions, and in northern counties maids, when they hear its note, kiss their hands and say, "Cuckoo, when shall I be married," and count the number of Cuckoo-calls to tell the number of years. Perhaps we had better ask the Cuckoo this year how long the war is going to last. It probably knows as much about it as anybody.—The "Bedfordshire Times."

The Unperturbed Canary.

One of the crew of a mine-sweeper recently employed in the Dardanelles, and who is now home on leave, says that "A six-inch shell went through our trawler and cut off the bottom of the skipper's Canary cage as clean as a whistle, leaving the Canary singing on the perch. The skipper told me it was singing. He had brought the bird home to England, as a memento, and it is still alive."

Feathered Refugees.

Ornithologists are more than usually expectant this spring, says the "Yorkshire Observer." It has been suggested that the disturbance created by the war is in some way going to bring unusual birds across the Channel to the quiet refuge of our island. It is probable, however, that the war figures larger in the eyes of the ornithologists than it does of the birds. At the most the birds would only be "warned off" a strip of country very narrow in comparison with the width of Europe. Still, it would be interesting to bird-lovers to study the habits of birds unfamiliar, and to photograph nests rarely seen.

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ALL ABOUT THE GREENFINCH.

By R. T. CAMPBELL (Dunfermline).

(Continued from page 233.)

ALTHOUGH hen Greenfinches are not in so great demand as the cocks for the show bench, still the principal shows nowadays provide a class for them, and if you happen to pick out a good typical yellow hen of good size, she will hold her own even in a mixed British hen hardbill class.

Hen Greenies as a rule make good mothers for muling or hybridizing with, being good feeders, and they may very often be relied upon to sit out their time and successfully rear the offspring.

Assuming now that you have hit upon a likely specimen or two, you would be well advised if you can spare the room to single out the birds in suitable cages. I like a stock cage for Finches to measure sixteen to eighteen inches in length, ten inches back to front, and twelve inches high. Fix your spars at four inches from the sand tray, and for fresh-caught birds, especially those who are inclined to take the wires, I advise papering down four inches at the top for a short time. Cut a piece of stout brown paper four inches deep and run this along the top of the wire front (inside the wires), this will keep the Finch from getting a footing when he makes a dive at the front. Double your paper round a wire at each end, and fasten with a pin. If you care, you could lace it through a couple of wires in the centre, which will help to keep it in position.

In all your cages you should pay strict attention to keeping the perches scrupulously clean.

Face Trouble and its Remedy.

I have never been able to make out why the Greenfinch in particular should be a victim to a face trouble which shows as a bareness around the eye. At times one sees reports in which the reporter draws attention to the fact that such and such a bird is "smeered" in the eye. This is the trouble to which I am referring.

Whenever you notice the slightest bareness of feather round the eye, at once take a small brush and gently anoint the affected part with boracic ointment. If you treat the trouble in time I am confident this will check it, but in the checking of it you may harden the skin and thereby hinder the new feathers from getting through. Should this be the case, make a little unsalted butter into a putty by adding powdered sulphur, and apply this every day until you see signs of the new feathers appearing. You will find it advisable when using either of these preparations to do so the last thing at night, as it will give it a chance of saturating the skin while the bird is at rest. I am a great believer in this treatment for any form of baldness of feather.

As to the feeding of your Finches, you will find no trouble in getting them to partake of any seed mixture; what you will have to avoid is the overdoing them with too liberal and rich dishes. Make a stock mixture of one part canary, half part rape, and quarter part teazle, occasionally a pinch of linseed and hemp, and make it a point when attending to your other duties in the birdroom to crack a sunflower seed and place it on the end of the perch to any fresh-caught Finch, and they will soon gain confidence, will look for your coming, and you will be surprised how soon a bird will be induced to take the dainty from your fingers.

The Useful Dandelion.

For green food this Finch will stick at nothing, but his favourite by far is the seeding heads of the dandelion. A word of caution might be put in here. When the first seeding heads of the "dandie" are to be got, most fanciers are very ardent in collecting the few that are to be picked up, and as their British hens are just beginning to settle down to maternal duties each has to get a share. How greedy they are for these tempting heads; so much so that after the seeds have been ravenously eaten, they nibble away at the husk, the rankness of which seems to be too much for them; stomach and bowel troubles set in, and from this cause many a good hen is lost, the cause of death being laid to the blame of something else.

Until you can secure so many heads that the seeds alone will satisfy the birds, I believe the best method is to free the seeds from the heads and feed the birds with these from a finger-drawer; you will then run no risks. But even when the seeds are plentiful make a point of cleaning out the stalks and empty heads at night. Next to the dandelion as a wild seed I find the Greenies would vote for meadow rue, and the distance these birds will travel to find this seed is wonderful, but, as I said previously, nothing in the wild seed line will come amiss to the Greenfinch.

Whenever you can procure good millscreenings, free from any foulness of rats or mice, you can feed on this ad lib, and if you secure a sample with a good supply of corn in it, it will be all the more relished by the Greenie. In fact, I know of fanciers who regularly buy corn for this particular bird.

We have each our own opinion on colour-feeding British birds. Some we hear preaching of it as the one thing of all; others hold a different opinion and swear (yes, swear!) against it, but given two birds similar in type and size, the one judiciously fed, and the other non-fed, nine judges out of ten would favour the former.

Be Careful with Colour Food.

It is very difficult to strike the happy medium in the colour-feeding of a Greenie, but more birds are spoiled in being overdone than being underdone. When colour-feeding, make a point of starting early with the feed, firstly in a weak form, and never increase the strength to more than half egg meal and half colour-food.

When you see the old feathers casting at the shoulder, you can with safety start reducing the strength of colour. Prepare your egg-food in like manner to that used in rearing young birds, and add your colour-feed to the strength required. When you see the bird casting his coat in earnest, add a half-teaspoonful of cod liver oil to every four spoonfuls of feeding, and a quarter part linseed to the seed mixture, and give every opportunity for bathing; then I am confident you will finish with a bird highly satisfactory in colour and bloom.

The liberal use of linseed, combined with the cod liver oil, may necessitate using a little binder to counteract the looseness arising, and also in the fixing of the colour. Sulphate of iron finds many admirers for this purpose, but I believe in a good, strong infusion of tormentil root. Many may know this plant, and others may have trampled it under foot without being aware of its name and its medicinal value. We find it growing in shady ground, being well adapted to grow under the heavy foliage of the woods. It rises to a height of ten inches, with a dark green feathery leaf; the flower, of four petals about the size of a shilling, is pale yellow in colour, and on an erect stem. To make certain you have the correct plant, dig up the strong, horny root and break a little piece off, when you will find the flesh of the root is a deep red colour.

Better than Iron for the Moult.

Secure about a pound of roots, wash them well, and put them into an old pot, along with a pint and a half of water, boil them until you reduce the liquid to about a pint, and pour out to cool, but while warm add a good teaspoonful of spirits (whisky). When cool strain the liquid and bottle it up; this will keep in good order for twelve months. I think if you use this when finishing the moult you will never again revert to iron in any form. Fill up the drinkers with the liquid, use it two days, miss a day, and continue.

Free use of the bath (rain-water preferred) will play a great part in putting on finishing touches, it puts vim into a bird, and only strong, healthy birds, that carry themselves aright with an air of freshness in them, can hope to run out a heavy exhibition season.

We will take it for granted that the bird has had a successful moult, and you loog to gain that coveted red card. Well, do not grudge a good bird a good cage. Further, a bird should be exhibited in a cage the colour of which will show it off to advantage.

The particular colour that suits a non fed Greenfinch is a greenish-blue just bordering on a grey, while for a colour-fed bird any ordinary mid-green with just a touch of chrome yellow added, is the most suitable. (I purpose writing an article later on the painting of show cages.)

I have written my opinion on the Greenfinch and its treatment in confinement especially for the novice, who may not yet have given this particular bird a trial, for I fancy that, if once he can put down a bird fit to win with in good company (and you can rely in finding competition in this class), he will be drawn to admit that the Greenfinch makes an ideal cage pet.

THE YORKSHIRE CANARY: Its Breeding and Management.

(Continued from page 247.)

A Lecture given before the Members of the Great Horton Good Intent and kindly communicated by Mr. Frith, the Hon. Sec.

WHEN the young birds hatch out I do away with the arrowroot biscuit, and for the first two days I give a little yolk of hard-boiled egg, and on the third day a mixture composed of four spoonfuls of bread, one spoonful of yolk of egg, and two tablespoonfuls of cod liver oil food, soaked with two tablespoonfuls of water, and adding a pinch of salt.

Maw seed and a little dandelion may be given now, and in giving dandelion I am careful to use only that with the white stalk, not red stalks, the former is more tender and not so strong to the taste. Before giving this to the birds I wash it in a colander, and then place a damp cloth on the top; it will keep fresh for some days. On the third day I give crushed hemp seed.

Do not disturb the young ones in the nest, but wait until they all come out, then put them in a show cage and hang this on to the front of the breeding cage, and the old ones will finish them off by feeding them through the wires and the plucking of the young is thereby prevented. When the young can pick up food for themselves, I put them in a cage away from the parents and feed on the same egg food as previously, giving them also crushed hemp seed.

No Water till Five Weeks Old.

At this stage I give no water, there being enough in the egg food for their needs until they get on to the seed. Neither do I give a bath at this period, for they would drink too much of the water; this I believe is to blame for many young bird ailments.

When the birds are five weeks old, put them on to plain canary seed, and fill the water-glass half full with water which has been boiled and allowed to go cold. As they get full on to the eating of the seed, the water-glass may be filled up as with the older birds. When you start giving them the seed, crush some eggshells and throw them into the cage-bottom; this is better than giving them sand on the drawer. A little chemical food added to the drinking-water makes a very useful drink.

When I cage the young ones by themselves, I put peat moss in the cage-bottom, as this absorbs all moisture from the bottom and does not dirty the birds. With this material their feet are kept scrupulously clean. Further, when they are supplied with a bath the peat moss absorbs all the water they carry into the cage with them.

The water-glasses should be washed at least twice a week, and the egg-drawers every day. When bringing up the young, feed as often as possible. I believe a little and often is a good motto.

After the lecture many questions were asked by the members, and clearly answered by the lecturer. In reply to the question of how often he would clean out the cage-bottoms when using peat moss he said in winter every fortnight, but oftener as the summer months come along. In the matter of using milk sop, the lecturer said he believed it was very beneficial to the birds when they happened to be at all down in condition, but he did not make it a practice to give it to the old birds while they were bringing up their young.

Sweating Hens and Bad Feeders

To the question of keeping the cock and the hen together the lecturer said he preferred leaving the cock in with the hen, but the bird-keeper has to be ruled to a certain extent by circumstances. A further question was in reference to sweating hens, and in answer to this Mr. Snead said he was not troubled with these. He thought sweating was mainly caused by fright. When birds are breeding they are very highly strung and are easily frightened. Their temperament at such time is quite different to the normal, and the breeder could not take too great a care not to frighten them. A tendency to sweating might be prevalent with some hens, but if the hens were bought from a breeder who had good stamina in his stock, then this tendency need not be very greatly feared.

Mr. Snead was asked how he treated hens which were bad feeders, and in answer he said "Tempt them with different foods. Try a little rape, a fresh kind of green food, or any other tit-bit you may have about at the time." A further important question was put to Mr. Snead as to whether he believed in showing young birds, and in reply he said that he did not believe in First Feather shows, for the risk was not worth the running. A really good bird may be spoilt by it.

After these and many other questions had been fully answered to the benefit of everyone present, Mr. Snead gave a final word of advice to the novices to stick to their best if they wished to get to the top. They should not part with promising birds until they had landed there, and then they would no doubt have a few to sell. The meeting closed with an expression of the heartiest thanks to Mr. Snead for the most practical address our members had ever heard. Those who did not come to the meeting missed a treat which has only been slightly indicated in the above notes, which have been written from memory.

A BUSHMAN'S STORY.

Wild "Jackasses" said to poison their Young.

A cutting from an Australian paper kindly sent us by Mr. R. L. Crisp.

"DID you ever koow of anyone who reared young Jackasses in captivity, and kept them until they were of mature age?" the writer was asked by a bushman, who submitted the question with the air of one who was well fortified with the first-hand knowledge that nobody did know of young Great Kingfishers which had been so reared.

"No doubt in the centre of a vast metropolis it would be quite possible to raise and keep Jackasses," he said, "but that is because there are no wild Jackasses about; or, if there are, they are so few that they might never discover young ones in a state of captivity.

Does "Everyone Know"?

"Everyone knows, of course," he continued, in reply to a leading question, "that wild Jackasses busily carry food to any young bird of the species which they discover in captivity. It does not make any difference that the young one may not be in any way related to themselves. It is sufficient for them that he is one of their tribe and endaring the humiliation of captivity.

"As I have suggested, the majority of people who take any interest in wild life know that perhaps a dozen wild Jackasses will cheerfully bring supplies of natural food to a young member of the family found in a cage or garden. What very few know is that the motive force which impels them to pursue this policy of seeming disinterested benevolence has its source in a jealous and instinctive desire to secure the freedom of the captive.

The Reasoning Jackass.

"Friendly as the Kookaburra appears to be towards mankind, the whole family resent the spectacle of one of their members in what to them is a state of 'durance vile.' In feeding these captives they have a double object in view—to keep the young alive, and at the same time to create opportunities for getting them back to the bush and the freedom which it represents.

"In endeavouring to achieve their object the wild Jackasses will often display great patience. They will persist in some cases for quite a long while, regularly feeding the captive and trying to get it away. But they are not content with this. Eventually they will become tired of the waiting game—and then the pretty little drama of co-operative food supplies changes suddenly to tragedy for the hapless captive.

Murders When Frustrated.

"If they fail to release it alive, then they adopt the other alternative of releasing it by death—in jealous protest against the continuance of an alien dominion over the life of a member of their tribe. As a general thing they accomplish their purpose by poisoning the captive. They deliberately do this by giving it certain kinds of food which they eschew in their natural state and which they seem to know instinctively will prove fatal."

I did not feel disposed to accept this strange theory, and frankly expressed the opinion that this was but one of the many weird and unconvincing stories which spring up magically in the bush, and do so much towards the manufacture of what one may term unnatural natural history. But the bushman seemed to be so sure of his ground that he did not even think it worth while to get angry. "You can take it from me," he said, with quite impressive earnestness, "that I am speaking from personal experience and observation. In the course of many years I have tried to rear many young Jackasses, but have always failed. I have the evidence of my own senses that at least six young birds were poisoned by visiting wild ones, when they found they could not secure their release in any other way.

Correspondence.

After the War.

What About the Roller Canaries?

Sir,—I have been expecting that the able article in Cage Birds for April 3 on the future of the Roller Canary in the United Kingdom would have resulted in an expression of views from the many of our English breeders who have for years past devoted their energies to producing songsters who were more than the equal of the "Made in Germany" article.

It was truly pointed out in that article that "Hartz Mountain," "St. Andreasberg," and other trade terms were practically meaningless. Any kind of Roller Canary which was not of English origin was labelled with a fancy name with the idea of impressing English buyers with the idea that they were being offered something special, something which English breeders could not equal.

Now that you have given the English breeders a lead, it is astonishing that none of them has anything to say. Are they content to keep to themselves the knowledge that they have a better bird than any alien which was ever imported, and will they be content to see the demand for "living musical boxes" supplied by birds coming from or via Belgium, Holland, and Russia? "Wake up England!" Patriot.

A Cage-bird Society for Pontypool.

Sir,—It is intended by about a dozen fanciers to form a cage-bird society in Pontypool, and a special meeting will be held at the Park Restaurant, Commercial Street, on Saturday, May 15, at 7. Fanciers residing in Monmouthshire will be welcome to attend this meeting, or send their names for membership to

H. H. Vaughan.
Kelvinside, Wainfelin, Pontypool, Mon.

The Cuckoo Near London.

Sir,—It may interest your many readers in this and adjoining districts to know that I heard the Cuckoo this morning, May 3, in the grounds of a gentleman's residence at London Road, Thornton Heath. I mentioned the fact to a gardener working close by, and he said he heard it the previous Tuesday, and each day following. I was rather surprised to hear it so near town, though I know some of these secluded residences have afforded many of our British Birds and songsters a delightful retreat and safe nesting-place. F. L. Marriott.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—I am very disappointed at the response to my invitation upon this subject. Those who breed the winning modern Norwich have laid low, but fanciers can take it from me that you cannot get the size and head properties without the birds having Crest Bred in them. The old-fashioned Norwich Plainheads are useless as show specimens now, and this is the reason I have made a challenge to Mr. Allsopp and Mr. Spillman, or both, to show I have confidence in the method I have advocated to improve the modern Norwich Plainhead. But I cannot accept Mr. Allsopp's suggestion in last week's issue; my ambition is to breed something better than "giving away" birds; if I get a few good ones I have no notion of giving them away. At the same time, I do not mind joining in some scheme to help any working-man fancier to find his pets some food in cases where he has fallen sick, or to give a bird to any fancier who has gone to the front to help him to another start. What a benevolent fellow Mr. Allsopp must be! He can go on breeding his best birds to give away—he would have no chance to beat me with giving away specimens.

J. Bastock.

Sir,—Following the proposal to bring about a little "fancy help" in a practical manner I am sure all readers will be very gratified to learn that I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. W. Spillman wherein he not only intimates his ready willingness to reserve a Plainhead worthy of his reputation and that of Plymouth in the manner desired, but also with a "top dog" spirit in the cause subscribes a sovereign to at once open the fund. As with myself, he feels his selection of a candidate should not be confined to current year birds, but that we should be free to select the bird likely to prove most attractive under the hammer; the wisdom of this cannot be gainsaid. Thus, all being well, a unique competition will be held at a leading London show, each competitor striving to beat the others, not with the idea of lifting the most, but of giving the most for a purpose, alas, that is not unique. Much as many readers may have deplored the diversion of late in this correspondence from the main issue, I venture to say none will now express other than the thought, "It's an ill wind that blows no one good."

To ensure complete success of the scheme we need the co-operation of many other breeders. It would occupy much space to name each of our "pillars," but a candidate from Messrs. J. Houghton, W. Vardy, W. Collings, Sam Cook, Tom Irons, W. Hathaway, W. Seed, W. Crawshaw, E. Baker, and many others, would ensure a huge success, and immediately cause many derelict fanciers, their widows and fatherless kiddies, to feel grateful for their association with the Cage Bird Fancy. Meanwhile I sincerely hope our discussion, "How to improve the Plainhead," will proceed with renewed vigour and interest; for both ventures can be unqualified successes if we choose.

E. W. Allsopp.

Northern Yorks. C.C. Specials for Birds Wearing Closed Rings.

Sir,—I shall be obliged if you will notify through Cage Birds that, in addition to the cup which I gave two years ago for most points won by current year birds wearing closed rings, to be won twice before becoming the property of the exhibitor, I intend to present specials this season as follows (to members)—to the winner of cup a special value 15s.; runner up, value 10s.; third, value 5s. Any kind of closed ring may be used so long as they are registered, and it can be conclusively proved that the birds competing are bred by the exhibitor. I shall not myself compete for any of these specials, which are to be won outright this season if we can get shows for patronage.

T. C. Crawhall, President N.Y.C.C.

The Patronage of the Scottish Plainhead Club.

Sir,—The Scottish Plainhead Club desires to intimate to societies intending to hold open shows that if they wish the patronage of the club, application should be made to the sec., E. Barron, 119, Montrose St., Glasgow, not later than first week in August. Clubs holding confined club shows, provided eight of their members are also members of the S.P.C., desirous of obtaining a medal for competition, should also make application by same date, submitting with their application the names of members of the S.P.C. on their roll. Members of the S.P.C. are requested to let the sec. know at the earliest possible moment how many rings they require, so that a sufficient number may be in readiness in view of requirements. Subs. for the present season are now due.

E. Barron.

The Feeding of Lories.

Mr. E. J. Brook, of Ecclefechan, Gives Valuable Advice.

Sir,—In Lord Tavistock's article on "Hints on Parrot Keeping" in this week's Cage Birds I note that he has never been able to get his Lories and Lorikeets to take food prepared with Marmite. I think I was probably the first to use this mixture in its present form, and, as I have had unqualified success with it, I think the reason for failure must be in the mixing of the ingredients. I claim success for this food because I have a large collection of Lories, Sun-birds, Sugar-birds, and some Honey-eaters, all on this preparation. The Lories and Lorikeets get nothing else, and are nearly all birds that have been in my possession several years. I have successfully bred several kinds on Marmite mixture, including the tiny Fair Lory. The mixture contains one pint water, one pint barley water, one teaspoonful *unseasoned* Marmite, two tea spoonsful Horlick's Malted Milk, one and a half teaspoonsful Mellin's Food, four to five table spoonsful refined white cane sugar, and a piece of dry sponge cake about the size of a hen's egg, crumbled fine. The water and barley water are boiling when the other things are mixed in. I have tried to do with less sugar, but the birds seemed to suffer from the want of it; sometimes honey is used as a change. If a bird is getting too fat on this preparation I give less, but do not reduce the quality. I have never yet had a bird refuse this food whatever they have been having previously.

E. J. Brook.

Ecclefechan.

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When Hens Will Not Sit.

Sir,—It seems rather singular that I should have already tried the experiment of taking away the cock from the hen, putting him with another hen, and covering them up, when another reader (A. W. Kitching) should write suggesting to me to try the experiment if the hen would not sit. I am able to say the same as A. W. Kitching, that the trouble is over, and the hen is now sitting.

New Beginner.

The First Cage-bird Keeper on the Roll of Honour.

Sir,—I am afraid Liverpool was the first to lose a fancier in this terrible war. As long ago as Oct. 22 Tom Howcroft, Scots Guards, gave his life for us. He was a member of the Green Canary Association, and of the Cage Birds League. He leaves a wife and six little children behind; one was born after poor Tom was killed. He was one of our best fanciers, Green Borders were his speciality. We in Liverpool have lost a good worker in our hobby. Up to the present Mrs. Howcroft has been well provided for.

J. W. Metcalfe.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—The above subject has been very interesting, and recently I note one of your readers has raised the point as to the possibility of light or albino birds being bred from dark parents. I may state that not long since I watched for quite two months a clear Starling flying about with a large group of companions. They frequented one of our depots where railway waggons contained bones, offal, etc., in which they could find a good supply of gentles. At another of our depots, where I am at present working, there appeared about August last a House Sparrow with white markings, resembling those of a good V of an exhibition Yellowhammer. This bird is still in evidence, not mated up yet (a hen). These birds would both have dark parents, and I well remember when a boy in the country we were astonished to see a white bird flying about with a group of Finches, and of course, decided it must be a Canary; this also was about the latter part of the summer, and it was very wild. I have since been convinced this bird was nothing but an Albino (British). We have also the trio which appeared in Cage Birds, namely, Blackbird, Robin, and Bullfinch, and again, what of Messrs. Martin and Archer's noted Yellowhammer? I may also state a friend of mine recently bred a Goldfinch-Canary Mule quite half clear, the Canary being a self-green. In face of these facts, there should be no doubt as to the possibility of light or albino birds being bred from dark parents (both sides). In the case of "White Rose," personally I have not had the pleasure of looking upon it other than in the sketch appearing in Cage Birds, which I still possess. The artist had certainly a Greenfinch in his mind's eye when producing this. Recently I showed the sketch to an old Mule breeder, asking him to have a good look, and not to decide too quickly. His reply was, "A Greenfinch."

J. Locke.

Sir,—It is very kind of the Irishman to criticise my letter. I had no idea I was such an artist at picture painting, and if he thinks he has cut a glorious figure he is altogether wrong. He says he wants facts. That was what my letter contained, plain, unvarnished facts and truth, and he can have plenty more if he wants them. I am neither interested nor prejudiced in "White Rose" or its owner. "Patrick" was not so smart after all in correcting my error, as Mr. Parlett corrected it the week previous. If "Patrick" could put the bird in its proper place he would be very clever; it is more than the whole Fancy can do. I should like to know who told him it was a bad specimen, badly splashed, etc., and that it had got more than it deserved. I suppose it is only his opinion, and that does not count for much. I'd like to gamble "Patrick" couldn't put down such a good specimen, irrespective of colour or markings, either Mule or Hybrid. He goes on to instruct judges to carefully examine the bird. Does he think they are a pack of schoolboys, or does he think they have not the courage of their own convictions? I think he had better come out as a specialist himself. He wants to know why "White Rose" steers clear of the light Canary Mule classes, and makes the statement that the only time the bird was shown in the light Mule class it was disqualified. He is altogether wrong, as the following will show: "White Rose" was exhibited at Nottingham show, Nov., 1912, in the A.O.V. Hybrid between two British Birds, including Canary-Bullie, under Mr. G. E. Weston. He wrong-classed the bird, saying it ought to be in the clear ticked or lightly marked Canary Mule class, evidently contending that it was a Canary-Bullie. It was again exhibited at Notts, the following year, in the clear ticked or lightly marked class this time, and was awarded 2nd prize, under Mr. C. Houlton. Here we have two English judges contending the bird to be a Canary-Bullie, and I still hold Mr. Houlton as a great authority. After carefully scrutinising the bird, as "Patrick" reckons to have done, he wants to know what colour it is. At the next show at which it appears he should ask any schoolboy that happens to be in the show; he will certainly tell him. Fancy an expert wanting to know if colour feeding affects Mules as much as British birds! If he reads Mr. Parlett's letter he will see that he ignores noms-de-plume. If we do hide our faces in shame, we don't hide our names. Well "'nuff said."

J. W. Saywell.

[Mr. Weston states that he wrong-classed this Hybrid at Nottingham in 1912 because, in his view, birds with light plumage could not claim to compete in the class in which it was entered. He did not say that it ought to have been in the class for light Canary Mules.—Editor.]

Sir,—We must respect the views of a veteran Hybrid-breeder like Mr. J. Craig before those of J. W. Saywell, who has never exhibited a Hybrid, and I hear never bred or even possessed one. In fact, it is fairly safe to bet Mr. J. Craig was in the Fancy before J. W. S. was born. There are men in Mansfield to-day who declare "White Rose" before the first moult was a dark bird, and bred from Greenie and Bullie. Compare the bird with a Greenie-Bullie and a Canary-Bullie at any show, and you will soon see which it is like. I defy anyone to produce a Canary-Bullie with the same tone of colour as "White Rose's" lower breast and flank markings. It is unquestionably the tone of a Greenie-Bullie, to say nothing of the Greenfinch showing in the wings. Now, J. W. S., stick to your softbills, and don't butt into a discussion when you know nothing about the subject. In any controversy, let us have the opinions of men whose experience entitles them to respect, whatever their views may be. After the clear and sound arguments of Mr. J. Craig and Patrick, I think there is little more to be said about what is, when all said and done, a doubtful and unsatisfactory Hybrid.

"Mansfield."

Some Observations of a Lover of Birds.

Sir,—It is very gratifying to me to find many wild birds so near to London as Wimbledon. The following are dates and notes on appearances of birds and their commencing song and pairing:—1914, Chaffinch, Feb. 1st; Blackbird, Feb. 5th; Song Thrush, Jan. 29th; Skylark, Jan. 30th; Rooks nesting, Mar. 4th; Carrion Crows nesting, Mar. 18th; Sparrows nesting, Mar. 29th; found young Song Thrush just out of nest (this was at Dulwich), April 5th; Green Plover nesting, April 8th; found Robin's eggs and nest, and saw first Swallow, April 10th; heard first Willow Wren singing, April 11th. 1915, Saw Woodpigeon's nest in St. James's Park Station, London, January, date uncertain, about 1st to 5th; Song Thrushes singing, Jan. 18th; Robins and Song Thrushes singing, Feb. 4th; Blackbird singing, Feb. 7th; Chaffinch singing, Feb. 10th; Skylarks singing, Feb. 15th. 1914, Carrion Crows sitting on eggs, April 1st. 1915, Rooks building, Mar. 3rd; Carrion Crows nesting, Mar. 5th. The above are all wild birds: here are dates of caged-birds:—1914, Pekin Robin in song, in cage indoors, Feb. 1st; Linnets, Siskins, Greenfinches in full song in outdoor aviary, Feb. 22nd; caged Skylark, Redpoll and Linnet in full song, Mar. 18th. 1915, Caged Linnets, Chaffinches and Larks in full song, Jan. 18th. I have also made a list of wild birds seen round here during 1912, from May 1st to Aug. 1st, 39 species; and also a list of winter birds during 1914-1915, Dec., Nov., Jan., result 28 species, of which there are 22 residents, 1 irregular visitor, 3 regular visitors, and two not certain as either. I may say that I have kept most British Hardbills, many of the Softbills and some foreigners of both kinds, as cage birds. I have now a hand-reared Blackbird which sings a pure Thrush song and mimics many other bits of other birds' songs, besides giving its own notes. I have kept a Jackdaw for four years (still alive and well), a Rook for nearly two years, a Pheasant (golden variety) for over seven years, and a Linnet for four years. I have often finger-tamed Siskins, and once bred Redpolls in an outdoor aviary. I saw a Kingfisher at Dulwich this year on Mar. 5; it struck me as an unusual visitor to these parts. I have also seen at various times the following pied birds: Blackbird (hen), nearly white; cock, almost pure white; Sparrow, white; Hedgesparrow, pied; Robin, slightly pied; Rook, white bar on one wing.

A. H. Mudge.

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Club Reports.

STANLEY (Victoria) F. AND F.S.

Meeting, April 25, J. Armitage presiding, and a good turn up of members. We had a discussion on the partnership question, and it was decided that no member be allowed to show in partnership with a non-member who was not showing last year. Mr. W. Reid, Sunderland, was elected to judge the Cage Bird Section at the Annual Show, Dec. 4.—R. Hutchinson, Sec.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, April 10, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, Mr. Geo. Barkess chair, and only very moderate attendance. Decided to hold a N.F. Show, and to ask Mr. Jas. Lindsay, our late sec., to judge. It would be more satisfactory if all members would try and get to the meetings, and not leave it to a few to keep things going. Membership cards with rules attached can be had on paying their subs. Next meeting June 5, when we should like all members to try and attend, to make arrangements for F.F. Show, and to draw up a schedule.—Jameson and Johnson.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE (East End)

Meeting, April 28, and Hall's Cafe, Heaton Road, Mr. Mac Partling chair, and a good attendance. Notice of motion having been given to rescind rule referring to judges' radius, a discussion ensued, and it was decided to cancel radius altogether. Other nominations for judges now being forthcoming, and put to the meeting, it was decided that Mr. Stanger, Pelton Fell, and Mr. Montgomery, Wallsend, be our judges on Nov. 26 and 27. Also resolved to hold a N.F. show July 10, providing a suitable hall could be got, it being left to sec. to try and get same; final arrangements will be made at next meeting.—J. W. Coutts, Sec.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Meeting, Amalgamated Musicians' Hall, 44, Naipershall Street, April 27, Mr. Gibb presiding over a good attendance. Classification for F.F. show was arranged, and judges nominated for both F.F. and annual shows. Members please note that we have altered date of annual show to November 20, to prevent clashing with Glasgow and District C.B.C. As the 1915 syllabus has been sent to every member, future meetings will not be postcarded. Four new members were admitted. At next meeting, 25th May, in above hall, we are to have a lecture on "British Birds," by a well-known expert; those interested are cordially invited.—John Houston.

PERTH CITY AND COUNTY C.B.S.

Meeting, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, May 3, Mr. D. Brown chair. New members enrolled: Messrs. D. Miller, D. Halley, D. Mortimer, J. McMillan, M'Guire. F.F. show to be held June 26. Sec. was asked to write for a judge, also to get Garrioch prize cards and tickets printed. Classes: Nor. yell., Nor. buff, Crest, C.B., Scotch Fancy yell., ditto buff, Bord yell. Bord. buff, Yorks. yell., Yorks. buff., Goldf. and Bullf., Linnet and Greenf., Mules and Hyb., A.O.V. small Brit. Mr. G. C. Gordon said he had the pleasure of handing over a handsome silver medal to the society from J. Calder and Co., to be competed for at club show, amongst the Yorkshires. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

General meeting, Headquarters, April 26, Mr. Norman chair, and a fair number present. Decided to give our patronage as in past years to eight societies holding open shows who are willing to give us the following classification: Champ. cl. or tkd yell. ck., ditto buff cl., or tkd. yell. hen, ditto buff, uneven mkd. gr. or cinn., novice, A.V. yell. ck., A.V. buff, A.V. hen. Will secretaries who desire our patronage kindly write to 526, Leerd., Lee Green, S.E., by May 24, stating date of show, judge or judges, entry fees, and prize money. I hope all who applied last year will do so again, and societies who have not hitherto catered for the Borders should seriously consider the advisability of applying for our patronage, as our section is always the best supported at any show. The question of specials to be offered was left over to the May meeting, and I shall be pleased to hear from any member wishing to give a special or to subscribe to the special fund which is now open. Messrs. Humphries, Madagan, and G. H. Pratt lead the way with specials. Who will follow? Members desiring their advertisements in the Manual please let me know as soon as possible; whole page 5s., half 3s., quarter 1s. 6d. Subs. are now due. It will save time and expense if members will send along and not wait to be notified. Geo. Burton.

PELTON FELL C.B.S.

Meeting held April 24, Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell, with a good turn up of members. Mr. Stanger was re-elected chairman, and the sec., J. Robinson, was re-elected. Schedule for N.F. Show will be the same as last year; there will be a shilling put on to each class, and Mr. Stanger is giving 2s. 6d. special for best bird bred, and 2s. 6d. for best British. The N.F. show is fixed for July 3, and the annual show for Nov. 6. The subs. for this year will be 5s. for all joining now, and next year new members 1s., entrance, and 5s. sub. Agreed that all members willing should pay 6d. each for N.F. show, the total to be given to best bird at show, the same to come on again at annual show for unflighted birds. Decided that all old members serving their country be made honorary members, and have the same privilege as other members. Nominations of judges: J. Hand, Ryton; R. Rowell, Bebside; W. T. Smith, South Shields; T. Dixon, Bedlington, A. Holden, Gateshead; W. Reid, Sunderland; J. Risborough, Sunderland; H. Seely, Choppington. Members enrolled for year at present are: Messrs. J. Stanger, R. S. Bewicke, J. Robinson, R. Coates, J. Redpath, D. York, T. Elliott, G. Bates, J. MacDonald, W. Gowlands, T. Cresswell, A. Dawson, W. Forster, R. Ward, R. W. Boyd. We are expecting more new members by next meeting, June 5. Members and others wishing to join, please rally up and get things put into working order.—J. Robinson.

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MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, April 29, headquarters, Seven Stars, John's Lane, Wolverhampton, Mr. Willows chair. New members elected: Messrs. Wyre and Lawson. Mr. M. Jacquemin gave an interesting paper on the Breeding and Management of the Roller Canary which all present very much enjoyed, and a discussion afterwards took place. Our Chairman thanked Mr. Jacquemin for his paper, and this brought the meeting to a close.—J. W. Thomson, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

The April meeting was one of the greatest successes ever held since the formation of the society. The occasion was a table show of British birds, Mr. Chick, Nottingham, judge. He also gave a few remarks on the birds staged, but on account of the time of closing of licensed houses, which in Sheffield is 9.30, could not avail himself of the opportunity of giving the lecture on British birds which had been arranged; it was, of course, a great disappointment.—J. A. F. Woodall, Press Corresp.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Meeting, with a large turn out of members. Officers elected: Col. F. R. Simpson, J.P., pres.; J. Hands, chair; vice-chair, G. Dobson; treas., R. Harris; hon. sec., Geo. Havver, and a strong committee of sixteen keen fanciers. Decided that consideration of schedule for annual show lie over till July meeting. Mr. J. Rutter was elected a member. It is with great regret that I have to record the sad loss our member, Mr. J. J. Walker, has sustained in the death of his wife, aged 26, who died while being delivered of a still-born child. Our sympathy goes out to Mr. Walker and his two little girls in their great loss.—G. Havver, Sec.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Meeting, April 26, St. John's Hall, Richmond, Mr. W. Phipps chair, and about 25 members present. Letter read from Hastings and St. Leonards C.B.S. re formation of a Cage Bird Society League. As Mr. Robson was present to deliver his lecture, it was decided to let the matter remain over until next meeting. Mr. Robson lectured on "Breeding and Management," dealing with everything necessary to make breeding a success. At the close he invited members to question him on any point he had not made clear, or on any subject on which they were in doubt. He was asked numerous questions, and gave satisfactory answers. A hearty vote of thanks was then given Mr. Robson for his useful and instructive remarks. Proposed to bring up at next meeting the matter of cup rules.—G. R. Birch, Hon. Sec.

GLASGOW (Queen's Park) C.B.S.

Meeting, Marie Stuart Halls, April 28. President (Mr. R. Heggie) chair, and a good attendance. Two applicants for membership were admitted. Decided to hold F.F. Show, July 3, in Marie Stuart Halls, 12 classes: Nor., 4; Bord., 3; Yorks., 2; Crest or C.B.; A.O.V.; Mules or Hyb. Mr. Davidson, Mossend, gave his lecture, "My Travels in India; A Study of the Natives, Birds, Insects and Plants." Everyone was delighted with the paper, which was of great interest. The lecturer told us about the Indian Crow as a bird of which he had made a careful study for 15 years. He also brought two cases of beautiful butterflies with him and over one thousand specimens of wild seeds and plants eaten by our own birds in the Clyde valley. Several questions were asked and ably answered. A vote of thanks to lecturer and chair brought a most enjoyable meeting to a close. Next meeting May 26, at 8.—E. Holliday, Sec.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Volunteer Inn, Oldham, April 17, a fair number present. Balance sheet was passed as correct, Mr. Hampshire, as auditor, giving his report. Owing to very exceptional circumstances, the balance in hand was a very small one. It was proposed that the following members be entitled to prizes as winners of club trophies: G. Fitton, champ. Lancs.; W. Ridgard, runner-up; F. Hamer, champ. Lizard; J. Rukin, runner-up; C. F. Bosworth, champ. Nov. Lizard; and T. Millington, runner-up; no Lancashire novice members competed. Decided to ask Mr. Alf. Bradley to accept presidentship for coming season. Also that sec. get a stock of enamel for Lizard show cages; members competing for L. and L.F.A. specials must show both gold and silver Lizards in standard cages, only one colour of enamel to be used, this being azure blue, as supplied by the Victory Brand, and to be got through the sec., so that we can depend upon a regular shade being used. It is hoped that our society will be able to get some fresh recruits for coming season, as without a larger membership and more extended competition, we are unable to launch out as we could wish. We have a very loyal list of members, but new blood is badly needed. The sub. is 5 - yearly; no entry fee. Next meeting, Volunteer Inn, George-st., Oldham, April 15, everybody welcome.—J. Rukin, Hon. Sec.

NATIONAL GREEN-MARKED Y.C.C

Annual general meeting, Market Tavern, Bradford, May 1; chairman, Mr. W. A. Cowgill. Members elected: Dr. Craig (Sheffield), Messrs. J. Thornton (Allerton), J. Wroe (Bowling Old Lane) and W. H. Dibb (Guiseley). The Sec.'s report showed that members had supported the classes provided very well; the balance sheet, which was adopted, showed the club to be still progressing, the cash balance being £3 15s. 7d., with several subs. still owing for last year, which we hope to receive at an early date. Result of the ballot for the officers: Mr. W. H. Shackleton, Vice-Pres.; Messrs. C. E. Morrison and H. H. Towers; Committee (inside Yorkshire), Messrs. L. Dykes, J. Greaves, P. Mason, E. Clegg, H. J. Chittenden, J. Bailey, T. Ogden, H. Hill, L. C. Casey, S. Bins, J. Chippendale, G. Snead and W. A. Cowgill; (outside Yorkshire), Mr. T. C. Crawhall (Newcastle), A. Hirst (Accrington), Mr. Ramsden (London), J. Currie (Barrow) and C. R. Bulkeley (Bromley, Kent). The undersigned was again elected Hon. Sec. and Treas. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring officers, auditors and scrutineers, and to the donors of special prizes for the past year. Decided that next year the Committee, etc., be elected at the annual general meeting and not by ballot. Members serving with H.M. Forces are to be kept on the books as honorary members during the war. Competitions and allocation of patronage left over to the next Committee meeting in mid June, societies desiring same at their forthcoming shows should apply at once. J. Chambers, Hon. Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

CAMBUSLANG C.B.A.

Meeting, April 24, Gardners' Hall, Alex. Crawford chair. Sec. reported having engaged Mr. George Smart to judge Canary section and Mr. George Martin British section at Annual Show, Nov. 6. Agreed that classification be made next meeting, also that a date and place for a Saturday afternoon ramble be fixed. Thomas Nelson was proposed for membership. Next meeting May 20, 7.30.—Sam Lindsay, Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Meeting, May 1, Mr. H. J. Mennard chair. J. W. Sanderson and J. Simpson were elected members. Mr. C. Hunt gave us his lecture on British birds in a very able manner, taking the Linnet, Greenfinch, Bramblefinch, and Yellowhammer for his subject. Mr. Hunt also judged the table show of British birds to everyone's satisfaction. Linnet, etc. (12): 1, 2, 4, Owen; 3, Chambers; vhc, Pyrah; he, Simpson; c, Waind. Goldf. or Bullf. (6): 1, Pyrah; 2, 4, Owen; 3, Simpson; vhc, he, Waind. A.O. Hardbill (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, Owen; 4, Waind. J. Owen won special most points.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Meeting, May 4. Resolved that the question of holding an annual show be adjourned sine die, and that the matter be rediscussed later on. Mr. F. Greenland was nominated for membership. Resolved that the Association's annual outing be held on May 16, to Effinghani Common. Members who intend going should advise the sec., Mr. P. J. Hose, 5, Well's Crescent, Camberwell, at the earliest possible moment in order that he may make arrangements with the caterers. Mr. Hose will also be pleased to welcome any fancier or friend who may be desirous of joining the party.—A. R. Coe.

SACRISTON P.P.R. AND C.B.S.

Meeting April 24, present, in the chair, Mr. R. Scorer, Jas. Maddison, J. W. Thurkettle, Wm. Collins, R. Wilfred, R. Dunston, Wm. Wright, jun., J. Liddle, T. Liddle, A. Sutherland, Wm. Wright, sen., S. Wright, R. Forster, Jas. Maddison, E. Hunter, and others. Mr. Berwick was elected judge of cage bird section for Nov. 6. show. Mr. J. Lumsdon was elected a member. Prizes, 8s., 4s.; 2s.; entrance fee, 1s. per exhibit. Decided that cups in each section should be won two years in succession, or three times in all. Sec. was instructed to get 150 rules and contribution cards printed, and each member be charged 2d. for each. Next meeting, May 8th, at 7, Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea Rooms, Front Street. Members and intending members please attend. Business: An egg show for the National Egg Collection for the Wounded; classes, brown eggs, white eggs; entrance fee 2d. for each entry of 3 eggs; members please fetch one entry for this worthy cause.—Dodd and Wilfred, Hon. Secs.

GLASGOW & WEST COUNTIES.

Meeting and show of British, Good Templars' Hall, Ingram Street, May 1. Mr. Jas. McGowan presided. Agreed to ramble to Bridge of Weir, on May 29, train leaving St. Enochs at 2.40. Members and friends to meet at corner of Dunlop Street and Argyle Street, at 2.30. New members were admitted: Messrs. J. Reid, A. Whitelaw. Annual show fixed for Saturday, Jan. 22. Specials for show were generously given by Messrs. W. Cassels, J. Findlay, J. Livingstone, P. Pettigrew, and J. H. Adam. The following classification completes the series of monthly shows: Bramblef., Chaffinch, Bullf. ck, Buntings, British, any kind not previously catered for at monthly shows, Mule or Hybrid, and Messrs. J. Downie and J. McGowan judged show. Greenf.: 1, Pettigrew; 2, Cassels; 3, Mallon; 4, sp., Pettigrew; 5, Dick; 6, Trotter; 7, Findlay. Siskin: 1, Pettigrew; 2, Telfer; 3, sp., Jamieson; 4, Fitzpatrick; 5, Cochrane; 6, Adam; 7, Livingstone. Lesser Redpoll: 1, Trotter; 2, Livingstone; 3, Dick; 4, Adam; 5, sp., Findlay; 6, Dick; 7, Pettigrew. Twite: 1, sp., Dick; 2, Trotter; 3, Liddell; 4, Trotter; 5, Livingstone; 6, Pettigrew; 7, Adam. Mealy Redpoll: 1, Adam; 2, sp., Pettigrew; 3, Hamilton; 4, Adam; 5, Trotter; 6, Dick; 7, Adam.—J. H. Adam.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting, Church Institute, Paddington-st., April 26, Mr. A. W. Curtis chair and 30 members present. Letters read from Mr. F. Thynne, F. Knight and M. S. Runchman. Mr. H. Bailey was elected a member, and Mrs. A. M. Cook nominated for membership; this talented artist, whose beautiful pictures were hung at the Royal Academy in 1913 and 1914, is the thirtieth lady member of the Association. Medals won at the recent Egg-Food Competition were presented to: 1, G. Butterfield (gold); 2, W. Sanders (silver); 3, E. C. Offord (bronze). For inspection by the members were a handsome silver-plated cup presented by Miss Jolliffe for the best young Canary bred by a lady member at the Young Bird Show, July 3; and a silver-plated Queen Anu pattern teapot, presented by Mr. Runchman for most points gained by a novice in the Canary section at the Young Bird and Annual Shows. These generous gifts were the subject of a vote of thanks to both donors. A Judging Competition in British Finches in six classes took place; 24 members took part, and Mr. C. Prior was final judge. A lecture was to have been given by Mr. Prior, but instead of this Mr. Prior gave some masterly advice upon the specimens before him. After reviewing each awarded bird, pointing out its shortcomings, and giving advice on possible improvements in various directions, he was asked innumerable questions, which he answered with consummate skill. A vote of thanks to Mr. Prior was carried by acclamation. Mr. Prior suitably replied, and a vote of thanks to the chair closed the meeting.—V. Wynn, Hon. Sec.

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LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B

Meeting, May 1, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street. Mr. F. Harrison presided. The collecting sheet, on behalf of the widow of our late friend, F. Easterling, was handed round, and 15s. 6d. was collected. Mr. A. J. Marley gave his lecture on British birds, touching the Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Redpoll, Twite, Greenfinch, Bramblefinch, and Hawfinch; how to keep them in cages or flights, their feeding and showing. Members asked several questions, and the lecturer suitably answered. Vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Marley, and to the chairman.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

WELSH NATIONAL C.B.S.

A rather sparsely attended general meeting, Carlton Hotel, April 26, Mr. E. J. Banks chair. The Chairman reviewed the short but already brilliant history of the youngest society in Wales, which, founded upon nothing more than the enthusiasm and determination of an exceedingly small band of fanciers to succeed, had resulted in quite a substantial profit which would shortly be handed over to the Prince of Wales's Fund. However, although the initial effort had been so gratifying, it was not a right and proper policy to embark upon a show of such magnitude without more substantial foundations than enthusiasm and determination, and he hoped that if the fanciers present decided to continue the Welsh National Society that some scheme would be adopted whereby any undue risks of failure would be amply counteracted. He acknowledged that his original idea of the whole of the Welsh societies becoming affiliated to the Welsh National Society was not likely to materialize, but he did not relinquish his views of the real object of the society, which was to foster the fancy, particularly throughout Wales, in many practical ways, and he looked forward to the day when the shows and general welfare of the fancy in Wales would be carried out under the wings of a parent or dominant society, as he hoped the Welsh National would become. Mr. W. Sampson submitted the balance-sheet of the recent Welsh National show, which, though not actually complete, yet revealed the fact that quite a substantial sum would be handed over for the good work as originally arranged. A discussion ensued and eventually it was carried that the Welsh National Society should continue, and that the idea of affiliated societies be abandoned in favour of individual membership of 5s. per annum, membership being open to the United Kingdom; partners to be accepted as two individual members of 5s. each. Officers for ensuing year elected: Messrs. E. J. Banks chair, W. Sampson hon. show manager, E. W. Allsopp corresponding show sec., in the place of Mr. E. J. Thomas, who, by reason of heavy demands on his time, was not willing to again undertake this office. Efforts are being made at once to enrol a number of members at the earliest possible opportunity, so that a working committee may be formed, and immediately this has been accomplished a general appeal to the fancy to become members will then follow, when, it is confidently expected, the worthy objects of the society will be fully appreciated and a goodly number of fanciers enrolled as members. Other matters of a routine character were then dealt with, the general meting disbanding so that the committee could deal with the further business.—E. W. Allsopp, Hon. Show Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

SPENNYMOOR.

A good company assembled at the Butchers' Arms Linnet singing contest, May 1, 1, 3, Walker, Broom Park; 2, Dixon, Spennymoor. Judge, Fairless, East Howle; time-keeper, W. Bendelow.—G. Reed, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Contest, George and Dragon, Bridge-st., May 1, for 4 prizes, 4 minutes time singing. 1, Watkiss, 123; 2, Scott, 87; 3, Nelson, 82; 4, Morley, 69. Open contest May 2, for 3 prizes, 3 minutes time singing. 1, 3, Nelson, 121, 70; 2, Watkiss, 94.—S. Morley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, May 1, 25 birds entered for 3 prizes: 1, Plows; 2, Cooper; 3, Atkinson; time keepers, Collinson, Cooper; tappers, Perkin and Atkinson. A general meeting was held after the sing to arrange for annual Whitsuntide members' sing, when five valuable prizes will be given. We trust all members will compete.—R. Plows, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Club singing, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, May 1; 35 birds entered for four prizes, four minutes time singing. 1, Beard, 125; 2, Pugh, 116; 3, Nelson, 101; 4, Scotson, 84. Open sing, May 2; 44 entered for five prizes, two minutes time. 1, Nelson, 77; 2, 4 Pugh, 76, 58; 3, Scott, 60; 5, Beard, 55. Biggest breaks this week: Pugh, 40; Beard, 37. S. Pugh, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Linnet sing, Commercial Inn, Newst., May 1 Shepherd timer, Warcing chalker; 5 minutes time singing. 1, Hardman, 4min. 2sec.; 2, 3, Jones, 3.48 3.37. May 2: Mr. Porrill gave special to be divided between 1, 2 and 3 and nearest 30sec. Some very good singing was done. 1, 2, Jones, 4min. 25sec 4.29; 3, Hardman, 3.42; 4, Cawthorne, 3.37, and Hardman 32sec., special nearest 30sec., for worst novice.—Hardman, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner-lane May 1. 17 birds competed. 1, 3, Wigfield; 2 Turner. Judge, C. Lorriman; J. Wright, time keeper. May 2, 21 competed: 1, Wingfield; 2 Jennings; 3 shared, Hayes and Turner. Judges, C. Lorriman, N. Soloman; time keeper, R. Ridgeyard.—A. Bryan, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.C., Albion Hotel Saville Green, York-rd, open contest for quality Linnet singing, May 1; 27 birds sang for 3 prizes. 1, Ward; 2, Chadwick; 3, Johnson. Judges, Naylor and Crane. May 2; 37 sang for 4 prizes. 1, Chippendale; 2, Johnson; 3, Towers; 4, Cradwick. Judges, Butler, Naylor, Grant.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

HAND-REARING AND AILING HEN (F. H., Hodgson).—(1) You can rear the young by hand quite easily after they are a few days old by reducing the ordinary egg-food to a rather moist paste by the addition of a few drops of water, and feeding them with this about every hour from dawn to dusk. When they get a fortnight or so old, every two hours will suffice to feed them. Give as much each time as they will "gape" for readily. Add a little finely minced green food to the egg-food, but be careful to see that neither this nor any other item in the food becomes sour. A tiny piece of wood trimmed to a spatula shape at the end, a fountain-pen filler, or a "fill-up" feeder are useful articles to give the food with. Keep a light fold of flannel or woollen over the nest until the birds are fairly well covered with feathers. (2) This hen is obviously unfit for breeding, and should not have been mated. The chances are greatly in favour of the eggs being unfertile, and that will be, in reality, the best thing in such a case. When she has finished sitting, or when you take away the young, if any are hatched, cage her separately, and in addition to the usual seed diet give every third day half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the intervening days add to the drinking water five drops each of oxymel of squills, tincture of lobelia, ipecacuanha wine and sweet spirit of nitre. Continue this treatment for two or three weeks, and if bird is not quite well then, stop it for a week, and then resume it for the same length of time as before. Give a little green food daily.

YOUNG DYING (Govanite).—I cannot tell whether you neglected anything in the management of your birds, as you omit to say anything at all about your management of them. But there is little doubt that they died because the parents did not feed them. Did you leave the cock with the hen whilst sitting last time? If so, try taking him away when you are putting her to sit next time, and leave her to hatch out and rear the young by herself, which she will do quite as well, and perhaps much better, without his presence. On the other hand, if he was taken away last time, leave him with her next time, and see if she feeds better then. You might also try a mixture of equal parts crushed sponge cake, yolk of egg and bread crumbs for soft food, and if the hen seems slack at her duties sprinkle it with maw seed, and begin to give a little fresh green food every morning and afternoon from the third day, and offer a bath in which you have dissolved a little common salt—just enough to make it taste faintly saline. You should get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager would send you for 7d., post free, to see if there is anything wrong with your general management.

A SLOW BUILDER (Ilen Building).—The hen is not in prime breeding condition, which is the cause of her carrying material in and out of the nest-box without finishing the nest. As the season is now getting in full swing, she may set to work in earnest any day, so it is useless separating her now. Treat her and her mate the same as advised to "Messer" in our last issue, and beyond this let things take their own course, and try to exercise the blessed virtue of patience.

NON-FEEDING HENS (A Beginner but a Sticker).—The cause of the young dying is sufficiently obvious—the parent not feeding them. Unfortunately this is apt to occur in spite of every attention given to the parent; sometimes, indeed, it may occur through too much attention being given them, especially in the case of nervous hens. Next time she is beginning to sit, do not remove the cock—try the effect of leaving him to assist in the upbringing of the young; do not interfere with them more than is absolutely necessary, and otherwise treat them the same as advised to "Govanite" in this issue. Do not overstock the birds with large quantities of soft food at once. Give small quantities, especially whilst the brood are very young, and give fresh twice or three times a day. You may also add a teaspoonful of soaked summer rape to the dietary daily if the birds show signs of slacking in their duties when treated as advised in the reply referred to. But be very careful that the latter item does not become sour, which it does in an almost incredibly short time in close warm weather.

SEEMS IN PAIN (M.B., Cardiff). Glad to hear the bird is better of the cough, etc. The symptoms you name are wholly due to constipation. Give a spray of watercress or a freshly-gathered spray of succulent young groundsel daily, and for three consecutive days add to the water six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence. After this give six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of calumba for a day or two. If the gasping has not quite disappeared when you have finished the above treatment resume the treatment advised in previous reply and give it for another three or four weeks.

SITTING AND NOT LAYING (J.C., Moston).—The reason the hen did not lay was owing to an abnormal condition of the ovary. After hatching the eggs you gave her, and rearing the young, it is not at all unlikely that she will in due course go to nest again and produce a clutch of eggs herself. To increase the chances of this, treat as far as possible, whilst the young are being reared, the same as advised to "Messer" in last issue, and as soon as the young are taken away from her add six drops of tincture of gentian and four each of tincture of calumba and tincture of steel to the water for a week or so. It might be helpful to keep her within sound of a vigorous singing cock.

KEEN BUT SLOW (Apprehensive).—(1) This pair of birds only require a little patience, and all will, I think, come right. You may, with advantage, be a little more generous in the dietary. Give the egg-food every second day—a teaspoonful, with about half this quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it—and on the alternate days give a teaspoonful of the mixed seed, and a young growing stool of dandelion daily. (2) The only reason that the hen stopped laying at the second egg is that Nature had not provided any more for that clutch. She may produce a full average size clutch next time. It is not likely that her next clutch will be ready to commence sitting in less than three weeks, and it may be a month, and by that time the egg will be quite useless for sitting. You might put it under any other pair that were just beginning to sit, but if no other pair is available you may as well throw the egg away at once.

MISS V. SHEPPEARD.—Replied to by post.

NO EGGS (J.A.W.).—The failure to produce eggs is due to an abnormal condition of the ovary bringing about an interrupted or broken cycle of reproduction. The best treatment in such a case is to provide the hen with a clutch of fertile eggs from a robust pair of birds when she has settled down to sitting, and leave her to hatch out and rear the young. This she will frequently do in very good style, and then she will often go to nest in due course and produce the next clutch of eggs herself in the normal manner—the ability to complete this cycle having the effect of rousing the now dormant organs to activity. There is nothing wrong with your feeding, but you might, when expecting her to go to nest again, provide a young growing stool of dandelion daily, and it would perhaps help matters to keep her where she can hear a lusty singing cock, or young being reared.

MATING AND SITTING (F.H.).—(1) If the cocks were in quite robust health and active, you might try mating in spite of the fact that they were not singing, but very few cocks that are in good health are not singing more or less now. The fact that yours have not sang all winter is significant of something wrong with the health, and therefore I see no chance of any good result from mating them. (2) In addition to the staple seed diet, give, every second day for a week or two, half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Also give a young growing stool of dandelion, gathered fresh, daily—the whole plant, cut off just below the surface of the ground, with leaves, blooms, seed heads and all. In the drinking water you may add every second day for a week ten drops of lemon-juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence. (3) Sorry, but I know of no way of making a hen sit against her will. Some hens will refuse to sit when the cock is taken away, and if this is what you did, the only remedy is to leave the cocks with them in future and let things take their chance in other respects.

HATCHING DIFFICULTIES (E.M.T.). Yes, I rather think you are a little over-anxious about the hatching period, and this is very apt to lead to meddlesomeness. The fourteenth evening, not morning, is early enough to make attempts at assisting eggs to hatch. If you had "Canary Breeding for Beginners," you would find this subject fully dealt with. My opinion is that had you immersed the eggs in warm water for a few moments on the mornings and evenings of the thirteenth and fourteenth days nothing at all would have been required further. The young bird with yolk attached had certainly lived, but if it was dead when you opened the shell further incubation would not have resuscitated it. The yolk of the egg is only absorbed a few hours before hatching is due. As the hens feed well, my advice is to leave them as much as possible to their own designs, and avoid all interference beyond putting the eggs in warm water as suggested above on the thirteenth and fourteenth days.

DIFFICULTY IN PERCHING (A.M.F., Novice).—See that the perches are made of a nice soft wood, and are of a proper size and shape, nearly round in shape, and just large enough for the tips of the hind and middle front claws to nearly, but not quite, meet when the birds grasp them. If two or three perches, have one rather thinner and another rather thicker than this, which should be the average size. Do not quite withdraw the egg-food yet. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed, and in addition give separately a heaped teaspoonful of egg-food each morning for another month at least, or the equivalent in bread and milk with a little sugar sprinkled over it. In the afternoon give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp (see that it is sound in the kernel), niger, teazle, millet and broken groats one day, and a similar quantity of soaked or scalded summer rape instead. Give a small leaf of dandelion or a spray of chickweed per bird daily, and should they get constipated give a good-sized spray of watercress or the tender tips of young groundsel until the droppings become normal. Glad to hear the Yorkshire cock is much improved.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Rawsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

SKYLARKS NOT SINGING (W., Wallington).—From time to time we have published helpful articles on the Skylark, which I am afraid you must have missed. If you have back numbers why not look them up? Your method of feeding does not appear to me to be quite the correct thing, that is, if you want to get as much out of your birds as possible. A Lark fancier known to me is very successful with his birds, and they are practically continuous singers. He uses a good brand of insectile mixture as a staple food, mixing with it a little hard-boiled egg three times a week, making the whole crumbly moist with scraped carrot, cold boiled potato or chopped green food. In addition to this they are supplied with all kinds of insects, including mealworms and a little mixed seed. If you are not quite satisfied with your birds why not give them an entire change of food, hanging them outside for a few hours daily. Have you our Nutshell booklet on the Skylark? It is well worth the cost.

MORE NON-SITTING LARKS (Frederick Shore).—The only explanation I can offer of your birds not singing is this, either they are hens, or, if cocks, they are too nervous to open when within hearing of the others. Of course, I am presuming that you keep your birds pretty well together. I would advise you to move them away from the singers and hang one lot, if possible, at the front of the house and the other lot at the back. I have no doubt, if they are of the right sex, they will soon make a start. The Skylark, as a rule, is an incessant songster, but occasionally one will have a bird that refuses to open. A friend of mine had such a bird and tried him for two seasons, and when I visited him one morning he determined to keep it no longer and gave it its liberty. The bird rose in the air and sent out the most glorious notes imaginable. Such is a proof that all birds will not sing when caged; this applies to some other species.

FEATHER-PLUCKING REDPOLL (Great Din).—I gather from your letter that your bird is not troubled with insects, consequently the feather-plucking must be put down to an acquired habit. Possibly your feeding is a little bit heating, and I would advise you to use the following mixture: Canary and teazle, in equal quantities, and half quantity of summer rape. Give him this as a staple food, and supply greenfood and wild seeds liberally, such as sprays of shepherd's purse, chickweed, groundsel, seeding grass, and others as they come in season. These will be good food for him and also amuse him. Tie a piece of string or a chicken's feather on to the wires of his cage. Give him a change by hanging in another room or outdoors for an hour or two. Before making the change in diet give a teaspoonful of effervescing citrate of magnesia in 3 tablespoonsful of water, repeat two days later.

COVERING FOR CAGE FLOOR (Bunyip).—If you slightly damped the moss litter you would find it an improvement. Do not make it wet; sift a quantity of it, lay it in a corner of an outhouse, sprinkle with a watering can, mix it up, and cover with a sack, you will then find it just damp enough two or three days later. Another method is to use sheets of absorbent paper; cut half-a-dozen the size required, and remove one of them daily. The objection to sawdust is that it gets scattered about more than any other covering. In our series of "Illustrated Ideas" which ran for some time in this paper, sketches were given of easily made arrangements to prevent litter. If you have back numbers you could possibly look them up.

BIRDS FOR AVIARY (Ritep).—If you kept your small aviary thoroughly clean, and allowed the birds to bathe freely, you could keep all those you mention in it. Of course, they would be all cock birds. (2) I do not think you could improve on your selection.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Harebills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

TREATMENT OF WAXWING (John Wright).—I suspect from the tone of your letter that your treatment of your Waxwing has not been correct, consequently, it has gone out of condition, and the loss of feathere is due to the same cause. This bird is not a difficult one to keep—that is, to any one used to keeping insectivorous birds. Procure a good make of insectile food, and for a time feed him upon this, having mixed with it a little grated raw carrot. He can be fed upon a cheaper diet, such as crushed puppy biscuit, or game meal, soaked in hot water, and about two parts of ants' eggs, and dried flies, mixed with six parts of the meal, but I think you will do better for a time to feed him on the insectile food, mixing half a hard-boiled egg with it occasionally, or a teaspoonful of preserved egg flake. Fruit should be given pretty freely, such as banana, sweet orange, apple, grocers' currants, raisins, chopped figs, dates, etc; all these can be given separately or mixed with the stock food. Waxwings are enormous eaters, and consequently get very fat; to counteract this give a mild dose of sulphate of soda occasionally. Before commencing this treatment give the above medicine in a fairly strong dose for one day, by dissolving in three tablespoonfuls of water as much as will cover a shilling, and repeat a couple of days later. Smear the bare places with vaseline, with just a few drops of paraffin mixed with it; do it every other day for ten days.

TROUBLE WITH BRAMBLEFINCH (S. W. F.).—The best cure for your Bramble is to place him in a cage of a different size; what he does is purely a habit, and if he had, for instance a larger cage, the distance to jump would be altered; you should also be careful to see that the perches are either wider apart or closer together. (2) The birds you mention could all be put together in the aviary, let them fly there all the summer, and if they are very steady you could leave them until they are three parts through the moult, and then catch them up, but this would not do with wild specimens, they would injure their plumage before you could get them steady enough for exhibition.

REARING THRUSHES (Nemo).—I am inclined to think the cause of the death of your young Thrushes was that you fed them over night with food that was not perfectly sweet. This is very important. Fanciers are inclined to get a little bit careless in this matter when the birds are getting a fair size, but one should be quite certain of the sweetness of the food, until the birds are old enough to feed themselves, when they will of course refuse to eat anything that is not fresh. (2) You can keep them either in an unheated room or in an outdoor aviary that is fairly well sheltered from wind and wet. (3) I have seen Jackdaws together in a large outside aviary, also Magpies, and Jackdaws with Jay. Hand-rear them, and keep them together from the first. If three are kept together they should be all of the same sex.

MULING TROUBLES (Geo. Chaffie).—Your trouble arises through the hen not being quite fit when put up for breeding, and the chances are that the eggs she is sitting on will not be fertile. Let her remain on them the full fortnight and, if unfertile, give her a clear week before mating her again. As soon as you know about the fertility of the eggs, commence to feed her, if they are no good, so as to get her into prime condition before running her again with her partner. In addition to a little egg food, give mixed seeds, and for green food use young dandelion leaves. Tie a piece of string to the bars of the cage, you will then see by her actions when she is fit. She should romp about the cage, calling and tugging at the string. It is waste of time to mate birds unless they are quite ripe. The want of precaution is the cause of many hens refusing to incubate and rear.

REARING UNKNOWN BIRDS (E. M. T.).—I think you would do right to treat your nestlings when obtained as though they were delicate soft-bills, then you will be certain to be on the safe side. Mix hard-boiled eggs with stale home-made sponge cake, and a pinch of insectile food containing plenty of ants' eggs. Moisten with new milk, mixing it fresh two or three times a day, so that it is perfectly sweet. As the birds grow, increase the quantity of insectile food. If they turn out to be Softbills you can continue this way of feeding, but should they prove to be Finches, you could then mix a little soaked rape with the food. From time to time add a pinch of fine grit to the mixture. Do not use raw meat; this was the cause of your failure last time. Meat is very useful in the hands of experienced fanciers, but is not to be recommended as a general food. You could give the babies a few live ants' eggs, small mealworms, and green fly. On this treatment you should be able to rear almost anything. Be very careful to keep the youngsters warm. This is very important. I have used a hot-water bottle on cold nights and found it answer admirably. (2) If the food has been kept in a dry place and is free from maggots, it should be good, but you had better procure a fresh supply while the birds are very young. Our Nutshells Nos. 25 and 26 would give you much useful information on hand-rearing British birds.

OBSTRUCTED OIL GLAND (Mrs. Simmonds).—If you are able to handle the bird the gland should be pierced with a needle, and anointed with a little vaseline, but before doing this be sure the gland is really out of order, swollen and ripe. Give the bird a fairly strong dose of Glauber salts, as much as will cover two czs. of water, and feed him on a liberal allowance of fruit. Give him the bath on all suitable days, but not when you are dosing him with medicine.

THRUSH OUT OF SORTS (F. Shuttle).—You should procure our Nutshell Booklet on the Thrush; this would give you full particulars as to general treatment, in which I am afraid you are making a mistake. The food you mention is good for a change, but hardly nutritious enough for general use. If you can procure some good insectile food give him this for a time, using for a change crushed puppy biscuits soaked in gravy or hot milk. Offer all kinds of insects and fruit in season. Keep in a big cage and let him bathe freely. Before making this change in his diet, give as much Glauber salts as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in an ounce of water, repeat two days later. Catch the bird and examine him for insects; smear the bare places with a little pure lard or vaseline. His complete recovery rests a good deal upon your treatment and attention. If after a week of the new treatment he still suffers from loss of voice, make the following mixture: Glycerine and honey in equal quantities; give half a teaspoonful in slightly warm drinking water, thoroughly mixing it in a glass vessel.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BREEDING BUDGERIGARS (T. C.).—I expect the cold snap has been responsible for most of their failures, and that now the warm weather has come you will be having better luck. There is plenty of time yet, and I expect that very soon the 1914 bred birds will commence nesting operations, and also go to nest as soon as the hen is in breeding condition. Give them as much seeding and flowering grass as they will eat. Budgerigars use no nesting material, so you had better put up separate nest boxes for the Java Sparrows and Canaries, as it would greatly discomfort the Budgerigars if the husks were filled up with hay and other rubbish. Our Nutshell, Budgerigars, 2½d., post free, from our Manager would assist you in the general treatment of your birds.

PLANTS FOR GARDE : AVIARY (A. J. P.).—The only plant likely to survive the attacks of Budgerigars and other Parrakeets is the common broad-leaved laurel, and I doubt even if this gets a very long life. I should advise turfing part of the space, plant some nettles in patches, and sow cereals in others; all these, except the nettles, will supply food for the birds, and if you put some branches about, with their butts in the ground, so that they resemble trees, it will give the aviary quite a furnished and tasteful appearance. During dry periods the grass should be watered daily, as the Budgerigars take their bath by rolling about among wet grass and herbage.

A FEATHER PULLER (Heard).—Continue to give the magnesia sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving quite freely, the habit of voiding largely early in the morning is not abnormal. Spraying with a tepid quassia solution will tend to make the under feathers, etc., bitter to the taste, and may check to some extent the pulling habit. White millet is quite wholesome; you can supply it in equal bulk to the canary seed. Cease giving the boiled egg at once, but all the other items of diet you name are permissible. The cod-liver oil emulsion should be confinned till the bird is in good condition generally. It will take some little time to properly tone the bird up and undo the mischief

of an unwholesome dietary, and to this end you must continue the treatment as given in this and our previous reply. It is quite a good idea placing the body of eage over the rotten stump, it will keep him employed; any means which tends to check ennui, and supplies also natural exercise, is for his benefit. As soon as the weather is really warm, he can be put out of doors daily, but do not place him in a current of air, nor where the sun can shine upon him in its full power. Exercise outside the cage is also very beneficial when your convenience permits.

KITCHEN AVIARY (E. Cowell).—It is not easy to give you a definite reply, but I note from the details you give that soft food (insectile mixture) and insects have apparently no part in your menu, neither do you mention fruit. It would be advisable if you wrote to our British bird expert, Mr. H. Norman, re the British species. The Pekin Nightingale should certainly have had insectile mixture, ripe fruit and a few insects daily, and your failing to supply these undoubtedly caused its death. Get our Nutshell No. 19, 2½d., post free from our Manager, and you will no longer be in doubt. You give me no idea of the size of your aviary, nor yet the total number of birds you have in it. Possibly you are overcrowded, and the cage may be infested with red mite, hut in the

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

absence of details I am unable to help you materially. Do not use metal drinkers—every fourth day for a month put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water; this applies to each drinker you have in the aviary. Also supply green food liberally, such as flowering and seeding grass, chickweed, shepherd's purse, and other garden weeds. Weavers and Whydahs are the better for one or two mealworms per diem, also any stray spider or smooth caterpillar you happen to come across.

GREY PARROT WITH COLD (Anxious One).—Give the Dinneford's Magnesia sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving quite freely. Bathe the eye with a dilute rosewater and zinc solution (tepid) daily; wipe dry the surrounding plumage with a soft cloth. Spray or bathe the nostrils daily with a dilute glyco-thymoline solution. Get the following mixture: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts—put half a teaspoonful of this mixture to each couple of tablespoonfuls of the drinking water on such days as you are not giving the magnesia. You can continue the use of the honey and borax. Keep the bird in your warmest room, yet where the temperature is fairly regular. This is very important, as a fluctuating temperature, or a cold one, will greatly retard its recovery. Do not give any more tea sop; moisten a little bread with tepid and well sweetened water, then put on it 5 drops of cod-liver oil emulsion, allow the latter to soak in, then supply it to the bird; it can be given once or twice a day. The other items of its dietary can all be given. Report progress a month hence. I repeat keeping the bird in a really warm room, where the temperature does not fluctuate materially is the most important part of the treatment.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird, for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

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Stratford and E. London F.S.—May 12, "Eagle," Chobham Rd., 7 to 9.30. Show of cage birds; judge, W. W. Dalton. Entries, Monday next to see. Mr. Soames is presenting society with a challenge trophy, to be competed for by Greenfinches, Siskins, Twites, and Redpolls.—A. Wassy.

Scottish Plainhead Club.—May 15, Good Templars' Hall, Ingram Street, Glasgow, 5.30. E. Barron.

South London Col. and F.A.—May 13, Royal George, Tanner's Hill, Deptford, 7.30. Lecture on "Canary Management," by Mr. J. S. Fairman. All invited.—G. Burton.

South Moor Social.—May 9, Headquarters, 6.30. Schedule and other important bus.—Geo. Lane.

Swansea C.B.A.—May 8, Mansel Hotel, 7.30. Arrangements for F.F. show. Rees and Hitchings.

Wigan Roller Club.—May 8, Legs of Man, 7, Rings and ordinary business.—P. Greenall.

South Moor C.B.S.—May 7, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, 7. Selection of Canary judge and other business.—G. F. Bates.

Tong C.B.S.—May 11, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill, 7.30.—W. Walker.

Walkley C.B.S.—May 13, Mission Hall, Westmorland St., 8. Questions by ballot, answered by W. T. Ridal, also arrangements N.F. show; fanciers invited.—C. Tomlinson.

Walsend, Mid Tyne C.B.A.—May 12, Station Hotel, 7. N.F. show; classification and election of judge; please come early, we have to close at 9.—G. Greenwell.

Walton, Everton & Dis.—May 12, Headquarters. Syllabus, rule cards, etc. N.F. show schedule. Robinson and Roberts. (Time not stated.—Ed.)

York C.B.S.—May 10, All Saints' Schoolroom, 8. Egg food making competition, prizes, 3s., 1s.; entrance free; members bring as many fellow fanciers as possible.—V. G. F. Zimmermann.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abertillery C.B.S.—May 8, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. To decide classes, etc., for F.F. show.—H. H. Mortimer.

Alfreton C.B.S.—May 8, Red Lion Hotel, 6. Fixing classes for first N.F. Show, June 12.—G. Beardall.

Annfield Plain C.B.S.—May 8, Mr. Hanagan's, 6.30. Election of judges and other important business.—W. Thompson.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—May 13, Horse and Jockey, 7.30. N.F. and Amalgamated Show bus.—E. Johnson.

Barry F. and F.S.—May 8, Headquarters, 8. Discussion, etc., for show, in July. Result of voting for meeting night, 46 Saturday, 2 Wednesday.—H. P. Thomas.

Birmingham South O.S.—May 12, Marlboro' Hotel, 8. Young bird show. Lecture by Mr. Jeffery on "British Birds"; fanciers invited.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton Roller C.S.—May 11, Joiner's Arms, 7.30. Judges for open show.—J. Kilshaw.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—May 8, Victoria Hotel, 7.45. General business.—H. Bryant.

Bradford West C.B.A.—May 8, "Shoulder of Mutton," 7. Members' schedule and other bus.—F. P. Terry.

City of Bradford O.S.—May 8, Flying Dutchman, 6.30. Discussion on breeding by members; schedules for members' shows ready.—W. Helliwell.

Cambois C.B.S.—May 10, Cambois Institute, 7.30. Very important. Intending members please turn up.—G. Hutchinson.

Choppington Scotland Gate.—May 8, Social Club, 7. Classification and judges. New members invited.—H. Seely.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—May 10, Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., Baker St., W., 8. Lecture on "The Interesting Side of Heredity," by Mr. G. E. Weston. Visitors warmly welcomed.—V. Wynn.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—May 15, Leitch's Burgh Arms, 6. Meeting of great importance; all members requested to attend, Yorkshire fanciers especially.—F. Baxter.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—May 12, Alexander Hotel, Penge, 8. Question night.—W. D. Fryett.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—May 10, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Very important.—F. A. Green.

Chester-le-St. and Dis. C.B.S.—May 8, Dun Cow Hotel, 6. Important business re subs., N.F. and annual show dates, schedules and judges; all intending members please attend.—R. Ward.

Denton C.B.S.—May 11, Silver Spring, 8.—W. Redfern.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—May 16, country ramble to Dorking. Members please notify Mr. Cant, at 39, Henslowe Road, East Dulwich, as soon as possible. Meet Peckham Rye Station, 9.15. Fare 2s. 6d.—D. Reeks.

East Stanley F. and F. of C.B.S.—May 9, the Club Room, 7. Report from judges and to select judges for next show.—J. Armitage.

East Ham C.B.S.—May 13, Town Hall, 8. Lecture by Mr. J. Robson, "The General Management of a Bird-room."—May 16, ramble to Laindon; train leaves Fenchurch St. 9.45 a.m.; tea at Laindon Hotel at 6.—F. Onslow.

Farnworth C.B.S.—May 12, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Show business, etc.—W. Dawson.

Great Horton O.S.—May 8, Station Hotel, 7. General meeting.—A. W. Hartley.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Meetings postponed until further notice. Members please forward subs now due.—W. Curry.

Great Horton Good Intent O.S.—May 8, 7.30, at the Grange Congregational School, All Saints' Rd. Lecture by Mr. H. J. Chittenden, on "Breeding and Rearing the Norwich Canary."—A. Firth.

Houghton-le-Spring.—May 8, Queen's Head Inn, 6.30. Selection of judge; arrange classes.—R. H. Dixon.

Huddersfield O.S.—May 15, White Hart Hotel, 7. Lecture on "Ailments of cage birds," by Mr. W. Gledhill, Huddersfield. Fanciers welcomed. Ramble for May 8 postponed.—A. Lawford.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—May 10, Amethyst Club, 8.30. Lecture by Mr. E. G. Rhodes.—R. W. Ford, junr.

Holytown, New Stevenston C.B.S.—May 13, Masonic Hall, 7.30. Last meeting for proposing new members.—J. Lamb.

Ilkeston C.B.S.—May 8, Derby Arms, Cotmanhay Road, Ilkeston, 7. Auditor's report; election of officers.—G. Siddown.

Keighley C.B.S.—May 11, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Open show business.—C. W. Town.

Lochgelly C.B.S.—May 15, "West End Bar," 6.30. Table show. Two classes: 1 House, 1 Field-mouthed.—R. Muir.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—May 15, Volunteer Inn, George St., Oldham, 6.30. General business and presentation of prizes.—J. Rukin.

London C.B.A.—May 11, "El Vino," Piccadilly Place. General meeting. Lecture by Mr. Robson on "General management of Canaries." Fanciers and friends cordially invited. Those wishing to become members should notify Mr. Watcham, Hon. Sec., 192, Mare Street, Hackney.—A. Wallington.

Leigh C.B.S.—May 12, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Mr. W. Ordish will give a lecture on "Colour feeding." Friends invited.—R. Charleson.

Larkhall C.B.A.—May 15, V.M.C.A. Halls, 7. Reports from judges; special business; subs. due; new members specially invited.—T. McGregor.

Littleborough C.B.S.—May 12, Headquarters, 8. Final arrangements for F.F. show.—J. R. Windle.

Manchester Fanciers' C.S.C.—May 8, 32, Victoria Street, City, 7. Supper and social; all fanciers welcome; no charge.—R. J. Metcalfe.

Nottingham and Notts. O.S.—May 11, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. Suggestions re open show.—J. G. Royce.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—May 12, 8.30, Alhambra club room, Higher Openshaw. General business. Show matters. Ramble, Marple and district, May 30. Friends invited.—A. W. Newton.

Oldham C.B.S.—May 11, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Mr. F. Steeples will open a debate on bird life in general; friends heartily invited.—G. Mills.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—May 12, headquarters, 7. Show business and other matters.—J. S. Jones.

Portobello C.B.S.—May 10, Masonic Hall, Tower St., 8. General business.—W. Baxter.

Partick.—May 7, Foresters' Hall, 8. Lecture by Mr. R. Heggie. Fanciers invited. General business.—J. F. Park.

Springburn, Possil Park C.B.C.—May 12, Reid Hall, 8. Meeting and show, Light Mule or Hyb., Dark; Bramble, Chaffinch, Bunting, large or small British.—J. Waugh.

ADVERTISEMENTS

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VARIOUS BIRDS.

ONE cock, two hen Bullfinches, H.M., 5/6; two Norwich Hens, 5/6; 10/- the lot: Byrnes, Walton-rd., Clacton-on-Sea. (279)

HEN Canaries, 1913, ready for nesting, two buffs, 2/3 each, one variegated 2/6, one green 3/-: Besice, Ide Hill, Sevenoaks. (276)

LARGE H.M. cock Goldfinch, muler, 6/-; buff Norwich hen, 3/-; yellow Yorks. hen, 3/-; selling out: A. Davey, Ancaster, Grantham. (276)

SPLENDID full coloured cock Bullfinch, 4/-, 5/-; grand yellow cock Budgerigar, 5/-, adult; buff green and self cinnamon Norwich hens, 5/- each; grand cock Goldfinches, 5/-, 7/6; all outdoors: Weaire, Snodland, Kent. (281)

WANTED, customers for Norwich, Cinnamons, Lancashires, Greens, Norwich Plainheads, dark and light Goldfinch Mules, cage-moulted Goldfinches, Siskins, and Linnets; approval, deposit: Wm. Cook, 66, Kitchener-rd., Ipswich. (257)

WANTED.

WANTED, Landrails, etc.: Rattigan (See Softbills).

WANTED, all kinds of birds: S. Goldin, 120, Tibst., Manchester. (280)

WANTED, Roller training organ, send price, etc., to: W. Neale, Church-st., West Bromwich. (276)

EVERY variety of Canary wanted for cash, large or small quantity: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (259)

WANTED, Rose-breasted cockatoo or Parrot, cheap for cash: Mrs. Lewis Jones, Ha, St. James's Sq., Aberystwyth. (282)

WANTED, muling cock Goldfinch, must be proved muler, healthy, and reasonable price: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (274)

WANTED, small foreigners, Cockatiels, Parrots, Cockatoos, and Macaws: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (277)

WANTED, hen Zebra Finch, good price given, or exchange cock, outside aviary preferred: Hallick, Castle-rd., Salisbury. (278)

WANTED pairs of Cockatiels, Canaries, Mules and fowls and bantams, prompt cash: Supply, 45, Great Bridge, Tipton, Staffs. (101)

CANARIES, wanted for best cash prices, cash immediately on receipt of birds: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (280)

WANTED, a good pair of Yorkshires, in breeding condition; state price: Rose, Bird Dealer, 63, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (283)

WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries for cash; or exchange pure chicks: Bosher, 345, Barking Road, East Ham, Essex. (256)

WANTED, pair adult yellow Budgerigars; exchange two young Border hens, untried, value 10/-: Hislop, 114, Baker-st., Stirling. (278)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (241)

WANTED, British birds, Canaries, pigeons, young rabbits, chickens, cheap; state price, cash: Brain, 288, Lichfield-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (275)

WANTED, Canaries, British and foreign birds, dogs, puppies, kittens, etc., best prices given, anything alive: Deekes, Upper Norwood. (276)

3-TIER Yorkshire show case, with 3 cages, new; exchange 2 Canaries in song; birds first; sell 10/6: Purbrick, Birmingham-rd., Bromsgrove. (281)

WANTED immediately, any variety of Canaries or toy dogs; cash immediately; state price and particulars to 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

WANTED large, clean, healthy Norwich Canaries, also cock Mules on full song; any quantity bought for prompt cash: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich.

WANTED Canaries, British birds, dogs, puppies, monkeys, guinea pigs, Parrots, pigeons, rabbits: purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (282)

WANTED, good colour-fed Yorkshires and Norwich and singing cock Canaries and Mules; send lowest prices to A. Leitch, East End Bird Mart, 520, Gallowgate, Glasgow. (244)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules, give 1/3 each; Norwich and Yorkshire hen Canaries, 24/- doz.; buy any kind of birds, cocks or hens: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (278)

NOTICE; all varieties Canaries, British, and Foreign birds; state prices; cash sent with order; prices must be reasonable; any number taken: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (212)

WANTED, Goldfinch Linnet Mules, full song, 6/- to 8/- each, cash on receipt of birds, or deposit with Editor; straightforward dealings; stamp reply: Miss Davis, 141, Kings-rd., Camden Town, London. (280)

WILL buy for cash, any quantity, hen Goldfinch Mules, 1/- each; hen Canaries, 1/3; all kinds British birds, cocks or hens; write stating prices: Helyar, 55, Patmos-rd., South Brixton, S.W. (250)

WANTED, any quantity of Canaries, cocks or hens, also birds, animals, and reptiles of every description; prompt cash or good exchange; stamp, reply: Manager, Livestock Emporium, 161 and 163, Princess st., Manchester. (281)

WANTED, gent.'s cycle, 27in. or 28in. frame, good condition and make, in exchange for the following: Pair Norwich Canaries, pair Yorkshires, one Roller cock, five hens, one cinnamon hen, cock Goldfinch, good specimen, two hen Bullfinches, pair Fire Finches, pair Zebra Finches, pair Bengalese Finches, pair Orange-cheeked Waxbills; all the above birds are and have been in outdoor aviary all winter; they are in perfect health and breeding condition; no rubbish offered or wanted; cash offer entertained for lot; must be cleared; removal sole reason for disposal; particulars: S. Holbrook, 689, Carlton-rd., Nottingham. (282)

Every Variety of Canary Wanted.

Will give 10/- per pair for good Crests and Crestbreds; 8/- per pair for Norwich Cinnamons; 7/- per pair for good lengthy Yorkshires; 5/- each for cock Goldfinch Mules. I also require Roller Cocks, Border Cocks, Norwich Plainheads, etc., etc., and will give good prices for same. Will deposit cash with Editor or will send cash first. Send full particulars and stamp for reply.

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Will give 5s. 3d. each cocks, full song; 2/3 hens; colour-fed; also Mules, 5/6 each. Largest buyer of Yorkshires. 25 years same name and same address. Bankers: London County and Westminster; also London and South-Western. Stamp reply: Oliver, 2, Bridport-place, Hoxton. (204)

WANTED ANY QUANTITY

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Mainly British.

SIX fine cock Linnets, exchange pair Norwich, or what offer in Canaries: T. Deek, Builder, North-st., Halstead, Essex. (277)

EXCHANGE pair field-glasses (12 miles range), for pair good Norwich: Ernest Wade, Victoria Square, Sowerby Bridge, Yorks. (274)

EXCHANGE, cock Goldfinch, clear beak, stout, on song, sure muler; for Rollers, or 10/6 cash: Phillips, 49, Bridge-st., Maidenhead. (282)

COCK Hawfinches 4/-, hens 2/- each, or exchange H.M. Linnets, chicks, or 22 rifle: Emerton, Blacksmith's-lane, Michaels-st., St. Albans. (279)

FINE cock Wheatear, moated off, topper, perfect markings, 4/6; muling Yan Canary, 2/-; offers: Conie, Newtown Raunds, Wellingboro. (281)

EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch, caged last September, for cock Canary, or two hens, Norwich: Davison, Crows Nest, Haddenham, Bucks. (277)

THREE house-moulted cock Finches, full breeding condition, 5/- each; exchange Goldfinch Mule, Finch notes: Saunders, Secretary, Tiverton. (277)

EXCHANGE two cock Chaffinches, field-moulted, for proved breeding hen Siskin or cock or hen Greenfinch: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (276)

PAIRS Siskins, Greenfinches, Budgerigars, hens, Chaffinch, Goldfinch, all reared young, except Siskins; exchange outdoor-bred Canarics: Sewell, Southwold. (276)

EXCHANGE two cage-moulted cock Goldfinches, full song, grand blaze, for pair Yorks., 1913, reliable breeders, sell 5/- each: P. Hayes, Upton, Co. Cork, Ireland. (274)

CHAFFINCH cock, full song, yellow cock Greenfinch, Goldie Mule, hen, all in splendid condition, for good Norwich hen (genuine): Stimpson, 86, Eastbrook-rd., Waltham Abbey. (280)

TWO Roller hens, 1914, wanted in exchange for 2 Bramble, 2 Greenfinch cocks, 1 Bullfinch hen, 7 months in my cage; yours first; approval: Farrand, 74, Cavendish-st., Darwen. (277)

EXCHANGE, cock Goldfinch Mule, cock yellow Greenfinch, cock house-moulted Redpoll, cock house-moulted Linnet, for Crest or C.B. cock; yours first; approval: Whannell, Ann-st., Stonehaven. (276)

BROWN Linnet, Chaffinch, 1/6 each: Bramble-finches, 1/- each, three 2/6; cocks, two lengthy Yorkshire hens; exchange: Rhodes, 273, Stretford-rd., Hulme, Manchester. (From outdoor aviary.) (276)

H.M. Goldfinch, bred mules, 6/6; F.M. Goldie, nice blaze, 5/-; two Linnets, full song, 2/6; two monster Greenies, 1/6; all cock birds; steady and would mule; exchange; no livestock: Hutton, Baker, Holbeach. (283)

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TWO house-moulted Greenfinch cocks, house-moulted cock Redpoll, mulers, 3/- each; exchange lot for Roller cock, house-moulted cock Goldfinch, muler, beauty, 7/6: Collins, 192, Windmill-lane, Smethwick. (276)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE 2 Sib-bred hens for H.M. Goldie, or sell, 9/-: Skillicorn, 75, Bucks-rd., Douglas, I.O.M. (279)

WILL exchange one large buff Norwich hen for a lengthy Yorkshire: T. Stock, High-st., Gt. Dunmow, Essex. (275)

EXCHANGE cock Canaries, songsters, for lawn mower or fishing tackle: Rayner, 17, Market Place, Banbury. (277)

YORKSHIRE and Roller hens (2), 2/6 each; exchange Roller cock, in song: Harris, 5, Stanley-rd., Woodford, Essex. (277)

EXCHANGE bull mastiff bitch, for Yorkshire Canaries and cages, or sell £3: Ely, Rutter, 19, Spencer-st., Goole. (276)

QUANTITY hen Canaries, ready for nesting, 1/6 to clear; Crystal Palace aviary cheap: 36, Poynders rd., Clapham Park. (281)

NORWICH cock, 7/6; Roller cock, 7/-; Roller hen, cock Linnet, 4/-; exchange: Hubbit, 117, Grangehill-rd., Well Hall. (279)

EXCHANGE, large 1914 buff Norwich cock, for large yellow Norwich hen, cash, 10/6; approval: Crawshaw, Epworth, Doncaster. (276)

WANTED, ½-plate or post card camera, and accessories; exchange Borders and Norwich; approval: Crossley, 23, Hertford-rd., Blackley. (278)

GRAND Roller cock Glucke, R.R.C.C. rung, 1914 bred, 12/6, or exchange young Belgians, rabbits: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield, Woodhouse. (277)

BEAUTIFUL black retriever dog, 2½ years old, best nurse and tender retriever living, 25/-, or useful exchange: Motley, Grocer, Pateley Bridge. (278)

YORKSHIRE cock, good songster; exchange young muling cock Goldfinch, approval to or sell, 5/6: R. Pound, Kilmington, Devon.

TWO wire-haired fox terriers, puppies, dog and bitch, 4 months; exchange clothing, anything useful: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (278)

PAIR Norwich Canaries, nesting, 15/-, or exchange ducklings, young chicks or rabbits: Miss Barrow, Chestnuts, S. Woodham, Chelmsford. (279)

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DOUBLE breeder and Norwich hen, exchange pair yellow breeding Budgerigars, sell 8/-, 4 nest boxes, exchange husks: Pratt, Market-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (280)

GRAND unflighted buff Yorkshire hen untried, 7/-; quantity photographic appliances, 5/-; model sailing yacht, 2/-; exchange large flight cages, Yorkshire show cages; stamp, particulars. Freeman, 24, Horne-st., Halifax. (279)

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EXCHANGE talking Parrakeet and cage, tame for two Norwich hens, one cock, pair Yorkshire, 1914 birds, one cock Goldfinch, good stuff: W. Johnson, 17, Eleanor-st. Ellesmere-st., Cheshire. (278)

EXCHANGE talking Parrot and cage, tamest Parrot in England, will whistle, shake hands, walk about in the street, sell 30/-, or exchange birds, cycle, etc.: 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (280)

Miscellaneous.

WELL-MARKED grey Dutch doe, 5/-; exchange hen Canary: Pitt, Market House, Uxbridge. (281)

OFFERS wanted for quarter-plate Beck R.R. lens, cost guinea: Cooper, Police Station, Amersham. (274)

EXCHANGE a pair of woods, No. 3 bias, for a pair of Norwich: Nicholson, 29, Beeby-st., Workington. (279)

CROSS Pom. bitch, 6 months, sharp, lovely pet, offers in birds or sell: Ball, 43, Milton-rd., Wealdstone.

SIDE drum and stick, also guitar, exchange 3 Norwich cock Canaries, 1914: G. Harris, Binstead, Ryde. (282)

GOOD-tone violin, bow, in case, sell 15/-, or exchange Canaries, or anything useful: 63, Bracton-rd., Rotherhithe. (283)

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EXCHANGE large square Parrot cage, for Norwich cock or Goldfinch cock, in cage: offers: B. Niles, Mawgan, St. Columb. (275)

WANTED, Plainhead and Border hen, Crest-bred cock: exchange poultry, pigeons, or cavies: Garron, Loanhead, Midlothian. (272)

GRAND air-gun, as good as new sell 15/-; exchange Norwich, Canaries, Goldies: Robert Dyer, Haystoun Farm, Peebles. (272)

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SMART house dog and ratter, 10/6; exchange cage birds, or grand Belgians: Rabbitts, 71, Old Millgate, Mansfield Woodhouse. (271)

PAIR Yorkshire Canaries, 8/6; 80 "Cage Bird" weeklies, 9 coloured plates; exchange pullets; offers: 21, Sebert-rd., Forest Gate. (276)

EXCHANGE, Airedale bitch; sire, Ch. Rebound Orang, for cock Canaries; yours first: Particulars, 48, Curzon-rd., Luton, Beds. (277)

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WANTED, good buff Yorkshires, in exchange for Furness green bore cutter, garden and greenhouse plants: Fishburn, Silsden, Keighley. (280)

EXHIBITION pedigree brindle Bull bitch, value 10 guineas, exchange birds, Parrots, anything useful: Manager, Stores, 96, Gordon-rd., Dartford. (282)

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EXCHANGE gent.'s road racer, 23in., Eadie coaster, all accessories, for sewing machine or Canaries: Bye, 13p, Sutton Models, Chelsea. (282)

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EXCHANGE for high-class Yorkshire Canaries, camera and enlarger, 15 x 12, and two, 10 x 8, lens, new, or sell £5; birds first: A. Thomas, Remount Depot, Arborfield, Reading. (273)

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EXCHANGE two yellow Yorkshire cocks and yellow green Yorkshire hen, for a good yellow Norwich cock, or sell 20/-; and a cock Linnet, paired to a yellow hen, 4/-: 32, Hodgson-st., Darwen, Lancs. (274)

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SITUATIONS.

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Twitterings.

I am compelled to sell all my stock, see Borders, writes Robert Dunsmore, junr., Avonbridge, N.B.

Societies desiring the patronage of the Norwich Plainhead Club for the coming show season should write to F. Cunliffe, sec., 19, Lark Street, Burnley.

We have received the programme for 1915 of the King's Lynn F. and F.S. Among other items are monthly shows for three classes of Canaries fixed for the first of each month until October. The hon. sec. is Mr. S. Denny Hunt, King's Lynn.

A lecture will be given by Mr. Allen Silver at the Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate St., E.C., on Foreign Birds, May 20, at 8 p.m., writes Mr. H. L. Huggins, hon. sec. London and P.O.S. All friends will be welcome. Members are invited to join the N.B.B. and M.C. in the ramble on May 15.

Permission has been kindly granted the members of the Cumnock and Dist. C.B.S. for a ramble on the Auchinleck Estate on May 29. The party will leave Station Road End, Auchinleck, at 11, writes Mr. Alex Wyper, sec., Market Place, Auchinleck. Members or friends intending taking part might forward names at least a week before, to allow of arrangements being made for tea.

The May isssue of "British Birds," Messrs. Witherby, High Holborn, one shilling monthly, completes vol. 8, and contains a copious index. Amongst the usual "Notes" is an interesting account of Crossbills breeding in Norfolk, and the part also contains notice of the death of the well-known Staffordshire ornithologist, Lieut. Francis A. Monckton, who was killed in action on Nov. 8 last, the notice being accompanied by an extract from a letter to Mr. Witherby by Lieut. Monckton on birds seen at St. Nazaire, where he was quartered before going to the front. The many who are interested in the nature movements of our British birds should subscribe to the new volume, which commences next month.

We hear that Mr. C. E. Silk, Emsworth, is appointed judge at Camborne, the second time this well-known fancier has had to make a journey nearly 400 miles for this local event.

The "Avicultural Magazine," the journal of the Avicultural Society, for May opens with an article on Patagonian Plovers and Trumpeter Birds, by Mrs. Gregory. The Duchess of Bedford contributes "Spring Notes from Scottish Islands." Dr. Hopkinson continues his "English Names for the Parrots," and among the other articles is a delightful account by Mr. B. Theo. Stewart, telling of the peculiarities of "Peter," his Australian Piping Crow.

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Twenty-nine Bombs—One Canary Killed.

During the Zeppelin raid on Southend on May 10, twenty-nine bombs were dropped on Leigh. The total death-rate from these twenty-nine bombs was one bird in a cage.

Young in the Khaki Bird's Nest.

The Robin that built her nest and laid five eggs in a soldier's overcoat in a Red Cross Hospital, as reported in our issue of April 24, has successfully brought off her brood. She is so tame that she will rest on the hands of the soldiers, and is now regarded as the mascot of the hospital.

Country Rambles.

The following rambles have been arranged, and local fanciers are invited to join: Leyton C.B.A., May 15, to Epping Forest, train from Liverpool-st. to Loughton 2.42, assemble at Loughton 3.20; West Bromwich C.B.S., May 16, 8.5 train Birmingham, 8.20 Smethwick Junction; Radcliffe C.B.S., May 16, meet at Town Hall 2.0; Clapham C.B.A., May 16, to Effingham, train leaves Waterloo 9.45, Clapham Junction 9.55; Halifax O.S., May 15, to Hebden Valley, meet train at King Cross for Hebden Bridge 2, or Hebden Bridge tram terminus at 3.

A Fact and an Inference.

In recording the nesting of a pair of Goldfinches in an orchard in one of the North Shropshire villages, "W.C." in the "Manchester Dispatch" says:—"It is exactly seven years ago since a pair nested in the village. It is a fact that the ranks of professional bird catchers have been depleted by the calls of the army, and as a result we may hear of some of the rarer birds enjoying a little peace."

Without accepting the suggestion that the re appearance of the Goldfinch in this particular orchard in a county where the Goldfinch is protected throughout the year is due to the depletion of the ranks of professional bird-catchers by the calls of the army, the conclusion is obvious that "professional bird-catchers" have shown by their patriotism that they are not so black as some have painted them.

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Oct. 14.—**Hanley C.B.S.**—(C. Beckett, 32, Hamilton-rd., Birkenhead, Hanley.) J.R.

Oct. 15-16.—**Warrington C.B.S.**—(H. Warburton, 73, Ellesmere Rd., Lower Walton, Warrington.) H.W.B., G.L., J.D.L.

Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.** (A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)

Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.

Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.

Oct. 26-28.—**London and P.O.S.**—(H. L. Huggins, 130, Myddleton Rd., Bowes Park, London.)

Oct. 27-28.—**Carlisle (Border City) O.S.**—(J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle.)

Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).

Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.** (E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.

Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.) H.W.B., W.M., W.N.

Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.F., H.J.C.

Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.

Nov. 12-13.—**Blaydon-on-Tyne C.B.S.**—(G. Hayver, 1, Theresa St.) T.D., J.M., H.W.B.

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The Cuckoo Near London.

On May 1, writes Mr. A. W. Morrison, South Woodford, I heard the Cuckoo, and to-night, May 10, at 9 o'clock, the Nightingale in Epping Forest, at the back of my house. We are only 7 miles from Shoreditch Church.

Twin Canaries Dead in Shell

Mr. Bolton, of Carshalton, showed me to-day an egg with two young ones in it, writes Mr. H. Norman. It was an extra large egg, and as it did not hatch he chipped, and found the twins dead in the shell; they were both perfectly formed.

"Familiarity Breeds Contempt."

In reprinting the letter of "Royal Lancaster," headed "Birds in the Firing Line," which appeared in the April 24th issue of CAGE BIRDS, "The Grimsby News" says:—"This may be perfectly true, but there is no doubt that the woods of France, at least in the war area, were silent last year. The birds had flown to a more peaceful spot. Can it be that they are becoming enured to war?" Letters sent from the front, two of which appear in our Correspondence columns, seem to give an affirmative answer to the question.

The Reed Bunting Hawking.

One little bird that haunts the banks of the lichen both in winter and in summer, says the "Saturday Review," is making himself conspicuous by his diligence in collecting food for his young ones; this is the Reed Bunting. The country people call this Bunting the Reed Sparrow, because he has Sparrow brown wings and back, but his black head and white collar are totally unlike a Sparrow, and his monotonous song of only three or four notes tells every listener to what family he belongs. Few prettier sights are to be seen in the meadows than a Reed Bunting hawking flies over the water; the bird twists and turns in the air with the agility and grace of a Swallow, and as he darts this way and that he shows off to the best advantage the velvet blackness of his cap and the pied feathers in his wide-spread tail.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Royal Cornwall Agricultural Association, Rosewarne, Camborne, June 9-10. Judge C. E. Silk; 21 classes: Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, Crest 1, A.O.V. 1, Mules 3, Brit. 4, Sell. 2. Prizes 8s., 5s., 3s. Fee 1s. Ent. close May 29 to C. J. Allen, 13, Trelowarren Street, Camborne.

Off the Beaten Track

A Lecture by Mr. W. H. Mugford before the Members of the Wimbledon C.B.S.

At the meeting May 2, at 6, The Broadway, Mr. J. W. Heath presiding. After letters had been read from sec. of National British Bird and M.C., inviting members to join in a country ramble to Beaconsfield on May 15, and from Mr. J. Dewhurst, acknowledging the sum of £1 4s. 6d., the members had kindly subscribed for Mrs. Easterling, one member elected, and one nominated, Mr. Mugford gave his lecture, "Off the Beaten Track." He said his intention was to get away from the general run, as he considered it a very good thing to bring out new ideas in the cage bird fancy.

First of all he would take the question of ventilation. A bird-room should always have a current of air passing through it, a thing people were very fond of neglecting. If birds were kept in box cages it was almost impossible for them to be in a draught, and this was important because draughts were fatal. The windows in his own bird-room were kept open night and day, and he never knew what it was to have a sick bird.

In feeding he considered the best seed was the cheapest. People were too fond of mixtures; through the whole of the winter plain canary seed and a little rape was quite sufficient. As the breeding season approached, he did not consider it necessary to feed the birds on the rich foods so much in favour with fanciers. A little egg-food would do the cocks no harm, but he did not give it to the hens till they were nesting. He believed in the hens becoming broody in a natural way.

Water should be given fresh every day. He believed in the free use of green food, especially when the birds had young. Here the lecturer displayed a big bunch of chickweed, which, he said, was the amount he allowed one pair of birds per day. After the winter had passed, the first green food the birds should receive was dandelion (root as well as leaf); chickweed should follow, then shepherd's purse, lettuce and watercress in the order named, and lastly flowering grass. He gave his young birds green food from the time they could feed themselves.

He was not a believer in the earthenware nest-pans, and did not consider them sufficiently porous. Mentioning the case of young birds dying in shell, he put this down to over-heating of the nest-pans. Through the heat the skin inside the shell of the egg got tough and hard, and the young were unable to force their way out. He considered that bad feeders were the outcome of wrong treatment by fanciers.

Mr. Mugford touched on the various diseases cage birds were subject to. Liver complaint was a prevalent disease, and the best treatment was an unlimited supply of dandelions. Sneezing was caused by dust, and could be got rid of by green food. When a bird suffered from inflammation the best remedy was to give bread and milk, take away the seed, and paint the stomach of the bird with turpentine. Going light was a very deadly disease, for the simple reason that it was rarely discovered until it was too late to relieve the sufferer, but he found the best remedy in such a case was the cod liver oil cage-bird food.

Egg-binding was another complaint which a good many fanciers had to deal with in their bird-rooms. This he put down to improper feeding during the winter. He had never been troubled with it amongst his own birds. He thought one of the finest things for keeping birds in good health was the free use of the bath. Sitting hens should be given a bath after they had been on the nest a week.

As soon as the moult commenced flowers of sulphur should be given to the birds, as it caused them to drop their feathers rapidly and to get through the moult very quickly. Crests, and other birds in which length of feather was essential, should be moulted in a humid atmosphere, as damp lengthened feather, but dryness was desirable for close-feathered varieties.

At the close many questions were asked, which were ably answered by Mr. Mugford, and the meeting closed with a hearty vote of thanks for his very interesting lecture.

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Agricultural Association, **Camborne,** 1915. Open Show, Cage Birds. Judge, C. E. Silk (Emsworth). 21 Classes. Prizes: 1st 8/-, 2nd 5/-, 3rd 3/-. **Entry fee, 1/-. Entries close Saturday, May 29th.** Schedules from **Charles J. Allen, Hon. Secretary, Camborne.**

MULES AND HYBRIDS.

How to achieve success on the Show Bench.

Mr. F. Archer, of Messrs. Martin and Archer, Huddersfield, tells how to reach the top rung.

IN an exhibition bird I must have size, because in nine cases out of ten a good big bird will have preference over the smaller exhibits. In addition to size, one must have type—a model of a good bird. I have seen good birds exhibited, and in my opinion they have been neglected, so I will try and tell you how to commence. First secure a large Mule or Hybrid, a youngster, as such a bird has all the essential points to make a champion. The most important point is the moulting out. When the bird begins to moult, special attention must be given re feeding and management. Colour-feeding always plays a prominent part, for colour-feeding always beautifies the exhibit. Some fanciers may say they cannot get the colour on Mules and Hybrids, but I say just the opposite; persevere with your stock if you care for it, for no effort should be spared to obtain the best results at this period.

Colour Food Essential.

I use the best colour-food it is possible to obtain, and mix it with the seed; I also fill the egg-drawers with it, so that the birds are sure to get it, and in this way I get the colour required. Do not be afraid of using colour-food, but let them have a good supply. Some exhibitors take away the seed hopper, but this has a tendency to make the birds come out blotchy and uneven in colour. The moulting out has a lot to do with success on the show bench, and one cannot pay too much attention to the birds when in moult.

As to condition, I was asked about this important point a little while ago by one of our expert judges. He asked me how I got such a remarkable bloom on the birds, and I explained that this was the result of the frequent use of the bath. Should any bird show signs of making a champion, my first duty is to get him used to his tepid bath. After using this a few times the bird looks forward to it, and gets to know you, and this helps to get the bird steady.

I am a great believer in the use of sulphate of iron in the drinking water, as this hardens the plumage and puts on that tightness of feather which helps to swell the success of the exhibit on the show bench, and once the birds are moulted out by using this in their water it keeps up their condition. I think that owing to its cheapness it is not used as it should be, but I certainly think it is good value for money in any bird-room. It is also to be recommended for soft moult, and I have found out that it is very effective. Whenever I get any birds home from a show, a little of sulphate of iron in tepid water is prepared for them, and this always proves beneficial, and I would advise any young fancier to store a little of this for its recommended purpose.

A Word for Mixed Seed.

In our valuable paper CAGE BIRDS we have greatly read a lot about mixed seed, and I would like a few words here. I have exhibited all over the kingdom now for about five years, and I am a user of mixed seed. I find that mixed seed is beneficial for the birds. Ours have had nothing else, and they have done very well on same, as it is practically what Nature supplies, including dandelion, teazle, charlock, shepherd's purse, thistle, and several more which I could mention which are all good for the stock.

I have had very little trouble with ailing birds during my time of exhibiting but scurf when about two years ago I exhibited our well-known clear Linnet Mule "Perfection." This bird was sent away from home in absolutely the best of condition, but my attention was drawn to the bird whilst at the show, and it was here that I learnt something. To my astonishment I saw the bird constantly putting his head through the wires, and the result was that when I received the bird home I found he had rubbed a lot of feathers off his head and neck, and for a long time could not be exhibited.

If I remember rightly the reporter said that the bird was in a bad way and would probably never be benched again. After a while it got worse, and, in addition to scurf, a skin disease set in. This all came about through the front wires being too wide apart, and we tried all sorts of things to effect a cure. One of our leading judges recommended to me "Resinol," which, I am pleased to say, was a perfect success, and I am firmly convinced that it was through persevering with this treatment that the bird got all right again. He began to moult shortly afterwards, and he really looked better than ever. The lesson to be learnt from this is clear; cage fronts should be so arranged as to prevent the bird from putting its head through the wires.

Putting birds down for exhibition is also another item worthy of attention. What looks worse than a good bird badly staged? When will fanciers learn these important points? If a bird is worth exhibiting, surely it is worth a good clean cage, if not a new one. These are small matters, we know, yet, if they were rectified, it would add to the beauty and surroundings of the bird.

Beware of Over-Showing

I do not like birds being transferred from one exhibition to another: this is often done, but I would sooner have my birds at home after an exhibition, so that they may have a rest, and then the cages may be thoroughly cleaned before going to another exhibition. I think when sent to one show the birds have done enough, for nothing does a bird in sooner than long, tedious railway journeys. If the birds are returned home after doing battle at one exhibition, then they are worthy of a rest before proceeding to another. I used to think they could stand it, but experience tells me that over-showing will very soon knock them out of condition, and in time will ruin the best of birds.

I am not a great believer in heated rooms, and if the room is free from draughts, then I am satisfied. A little heat is certainly all right in severe weather, but if an average of 45-50 degress is reached all will go well with the stock. I have always made use of sawdust in my cage bottoms, because this acts as a disinfectant, and also serves to cleanse the birds' feet. Cleanliness is one of the main items towards success, and the more comfortable you make them the better your stock will look. Too much attention cannot be paid to the comfort of your stock. From a visitor's point of view, nothing looks better than a clean and tidy bird-room, and, if success is to be achieved, some labour and pains will have to be taken.

See to the Claws.

When greens are obtainable, certainly tempt the birds with young dandelion leaves, young lettuce, groundsel, etc. This is good for the stock and provides a nice change. Another matter I might mention is the attention to the claws. Do not let a bird overgrow them. They require cutting now and again, and this can be easily done without harming the bird. Hold the bird in your hand, and to the light. Just cut above the vein, and all will be well.

A visit to a show is, to my mind, a lesson that will teach much to a beginner or any exhibitor. We all think our birds are the best, but when one visits a show and compares the winners, where do we stand? I well remember my first visit, and how I thought I had one of those which would take some stopping, but when I got to the show I felt quite out of the running. With regard to the exhibition points, I do not know what is more interesting than to scan over the winners. You receive information from our reporters and judges that you cannot forget, and I am sure all along the line I have found them most obliging. Nothing is more pleasing than to hear the different criticisms on the exhibits, and much is to be learnt by the conversation of the different fanciers that one meets at exhibitions.

With the exception of about two cases, I can speak well of the management of our shows throughout the kingdom, and I have little fault to find. I take it like this, that we are out to go ahead with our hobby. I have exhibited in Scotland, and I give the highest possible praise for the management and welfare of the exhibits. In Wales I have to apply the same remarks. I can only pay the highest tribute to the high-class management under which our exhibitions are held, and I firmly believe that long-distance birds do get preference in being dispatched home. My fellow fanciers, you need have no fear; support the shows where possible, and let our section be better supported. We would like them to grow in numbers, seeing that such a section is the chief attraction of any exhibition.

When Fanciers Meet.

I have been a member of specialist clubs for a number of years, and find that a beginner is encouraged by joining such a club. For instance, in our section, and from a point of view of gaining knowledge in connection with Mules and Hybrids, the National B.B. and M. Club, London, is open for anyone who is interested in this section. Speaking from experience, I can safely say that the beginner is at once encouraged. We must have opinions thrashed out in society. What does this all mean? It is here that fanciers meet not simply for what we can get out of it, but to put something into it as well. Our aim in any section is success, and the only way to achieve this is by one fancier helping another. The exhibitor of birds has something to do; but persevere, my friend, follow the advice of someone who has had experience, and if at first you don't succeed, try again.

I have been told that it is cruel to keep feathered pets in cages, but I would like to ask the faddists if they have ever visited any of our exhibitions. I venture to say no. What we have done time after time for charitable and other causes makes us feel encouraged in our work. If people have been benefited by our holding such exhibitions, we have entered into something which is far more important than imagined, and if sometimes we can help on those who cannot help themselves, our time and trouble will not have been in vain.

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

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Platycerci (TRUE BROADTAIL PARRAKEETS).—Food: Canary, millet, wheat, oats, a little hemp or sunflower, fruit (especially apple) and green food. All the true Broadtails can be wintered out of doors when properly hardened off, but all are sensitive to cold when newly imported, and few can stand, in winter, a damp or draughty aviary which gets little sun. They will live in cages, but are not really suited to cage life, as their beautiful plumage is very apt to lose its brilliance after a year or two of close confinement.

Relations Better Apart.

As pets, too, they are a failure, having no talent for talking, and being difficult to tame, and when tamed excitable and treacherous and usually destitute of any affection for their owner. During the breeding season and often at other times, paired birds fight savagely with all members of their own and allied species, although they may tolerate the presence of Parrakeets of other orders. Unmated cocks, however, agree fairly well together, and it is sometimes possible to pair two hens to one cock and breed from both at the same time, provided the hens are on reasonably friendly terms, as is often the case with a mother and daughter who have never been separated. During incubation, and for some time after the young are hatched, the hen seldom or never leaves the nest. Hen Broadtails have smaller heads and narrower beaks than cocks. The young often breed when a year old, but do not obtain full plumage for eighteen months.

ROSELLA PARRAKEET (*Platycercus eximius*).—The commonest and one of the most beautiful of the family. The adult hen has the red area on the head and neck smaller than in the cock, and with much more ragged edges, and behind the eye the red has a greyish, washed out, tint. The presence or absence of a green spot on the nape is not a very useful guide to sex, for while it is probably true to say that it is never found on an adult cock, it is certainly absent in the case of many adult hens. Young birds have a narrow green bar running from the back of the neck to the centre of the crown and show very little blue on the closed wing. For turning out, it is absolutely necessary to get tame, or half tame adult cocks the tameness of the hens does not matter so much. Newly imported or young birds are inveterate wanderers when given their liberty.

YELLOW MANTLED PARRAKEET (*Platycercus splendidus*).—A local race of the Common Rosella with a yellower neck and wings and brighter coloration generally. It is very rarely imported.

MEALY ROSELLA (*Platycercus pallidiceps*).—Requires careful treatment until it has completed its first moult in this country, after which it is as indifferent to cold as any other *Platycercus*. It is a satisfactory bird at liberty, wandering less than many of its allies, and nesting readily either in barrels or in natural holes in trees. It is very spiteful in disposition, showing a special aversion to its cousin the Red Rosella, and also to the Blue bonnet Parrakeet. The hen is rather smaller than the cock, and has a narrower head.

An Uncommon Rosella.

BLUE-CHEEKED PARRAKEET (*Platycercus amathusiæ*).—A local variety of the Common or "Moreton Bay" Mealy Rosella, differing from the southern form in the bluer colouring of the cheeks. Blue-Cheeks often show a few red feathers on the crown of the head, a peculiarity which sometimes occurs in the ordinary form.

BROWN'S PARRAKEET (*Platycercus browni*).—Requires warmth and care until well through the first moult following importation, but is afterwards perfectly hardy. Brown's Parrakeet is unfortunately a less good stayer at liberty than the Mealy Rosella, but it is by no means a hopeless bird to try. Like *P. palliditeps* it has an intense aversion to Bluebonnets, and it would be most unwise to attempt to keep the two species in the same aviary. The cock Brown's has a decidedly larger head and heavier beak than the hen. Among imported birds the proportion of cocks is usually very small and the number of large, brightcoloured hens, sold as cocks, is correspondingly great.

The Smallest of the Family.

STANLEY PARRAKEET (*Platycercus icterotis*).—The smallest of the *Platycerci*, and a free breeder in captivity. The hen is readily distingnishable by her dull and patchy tints, the Stanley being the only typical Broadtail in which the sexes differ markedly in colour. Stanley's are not to be recommended for turning out, as they are bad stayers, and are too small to defend themselves against the attack of Owls.

YELLOW-RUMPED PARRAKEET (*Platycercus flaveolus*). Formerly quite common, but now rarely imported. The sexes are much alike, and are often very difficult to distinguish. It appears to stay well at liberty, but I may say that my experience of Yellow-rumps has been very limited.

YELLOW-BELLIED PARRAKEET (*Platycercus flaviventris*).—Easily distinguishable from the last-mentioned species by its dark green back. The Yellow-belly is a savage and aggressive bird, the hens being quite as quarrelsome as the cocks and a great nuisance in mixed company. They are readily distinguishable by the small size of their heads and beaks. Yellow-bellies are not very good stayers when allowed their freedom.

PENNANT'S PARRAKEET (*Platycercus elegans*).—Sexes are alike in colour, but adult hens are very readily distinguishable by the small size of the head. Young birds on leaving the nest are a dark leaf green, with a little red on the throat and forehead, blue cheek patches, and some blue in the wings and tail. In securing a pair of Pennants for turning out make sure that the cock is a steady old show bird well used to cage life and the ways of the world generally. Newly-imported, immature, or outdoor aviary birds are a vexation of the spirit, as they stay well for many months and then depart on the approach of the breeding season. When in poor condition, Pennants are very susceptible to septic fever.

ADELAIDE PARRAKEET (*Platycercus adelaidæ*).—Sexes much alike, but very red birds are nearly always hens. The young are decidedly smaller than young Pennants of the same age, and of a more golden olive colour. Adelaides do fairly well at liberty.

BARNARDIUS PARRAKEETS.—Closely allied to the typical *Platycerci* their food and treatment should be the same.

BARNARD'S PARRAKEET (*Barnardius barnardi*). A very beautiful bird, and not particularly dangerous in mixed company. Beak of the hen much smaller than that of the cock, and her colours, usually, though not invariably, duller and showing less blue. Barnard's do well at liberty, but the young are apt to stray to great distances from their birth place and eventually fail to return.

Quarrelsome with Neighbour.

BAUER'S PARRAKEET (*Barnardius [illegible]*).—Typical specimens have the lower breast almost entirely yellow, and have no red on the forehead. The hens are easily distinguishable by the small size of their head and beak. Bauer's are most dangerous neighbours for other quarrelsome Parrakeets likely to fight with them, and even at liberty will often inflict fatal injuries by biting deeply into the upper mandible of an adversary and sometimes tearing it completely off. Half-tame birds are best for turning out

(*To be Continued*)

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Correspondence.

The Fertilisation of Eggs.

Sir,—I have read several letters in your valued paper, Cage Birds, in reference to the fertilisation of a clutch of eggs taking place all at once. I have had two hens with a clutch of four eggs each. Result in each case—1 chick, 3 clear. I saw the cocks tread the hens before the eggs were laid, so that as in each case one egg was fertile and three clear, I cannot see how fertilisation can take place all at once. I should be pleased to hear more about this subject.

W. D. Fryett.

The Value of White of Egg.

Sir,—In the report of the second half of my lecture to the members of the Great Horton Good Intent C.B.S., as given in the last issue of Cage Birds, you have only mentioned the yolk of an egg in the mixture of egg food I give for rearing. I give not only the yolk but the white also, as to my thinking the white of the egg is very beneficial, and adds to the moisture, and I also add a teaspoonful of sugar. It is for the good of the Fancy I write you, for I should not like anyone to make a mistake if I could help it. Not forgetting to wish Cage Birds every success. G. Snead.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve It.

Sir,—In noting the reply of Mr. J. Bastock, particularly relating to the invitation for him to join in the class for a little "Fancy help," I assure him I fully appreciate how tame an affair it must appear to him; and how much I regret the "giving away" specimens are in his opinion likely to fall considerably short in merit compared with his perhaps more modern birds. However, I am glad to note he has given a most definite statement "that size and head properties cannot be obtained without the Crestbred." Will he kindly endeavour to prove that important statement?

E. W. Allsopp.

Light Birds from Dark Parents.

Sir,—Noticing that in some of the letters referring to the Hybrid "White Rose" mention has been made of light-plumaged and albino birds being bred from dark parents, it has occurred to me that the accompanying cutting from the "Birmingham Daily Mail" would be of interest: :—

"The causes of variation and of albinism are not exactly known. These phenomena, however, are usually attributed to a deficiency in the pigment cells. This gives us not only white varieties in extreme cases, but nearly every gradation of colour from black to white. For instance, a case of Sparrows sold at the late Mr. F. Coburn's sale last week contained forty-eight birds covering such a range. Often birds abnormally coloured assume the normal plumage after the first moult; in others the young of these birds have plumage similar to their parents. The Hon. Walter Rothschild recorded that in the summer of 1891 four white Swallows were hatched at Aylesbury. In the following year the parents reared one white bird in a brood that was otherwise normal; in 1893 there were two white and three normally coloured young; and in 1894 two white and two normal. In another nest at Aylesbury there were two white and two normal young, and the parents, Mr. Rothschild thought, were probably related to the other pair. Such variations most frequently occur amongst birds of black or very dark plumage, such as Blackbirds, Rooks, and Starlings. In birds of green plumage yellow varieties are not rare.

Variegated.

After Many Days.

Sir,—Having completed my duties as the judge of pigeons at the recent Stratford Show, I spent a quiet hour in looking through the cage bird classes, thus reviving interest in a branch of the Fancy which at one time absorbed all my spare time and energy. Not having exhibited Canaries since 1887, I thought I would buy a copy of Cage Birds, just to see how matters were progressing, and what changes, if any, had taken place. The result was so interesting to myself that I thought it possible that a few impressions would perhaps interest your readers.

In the first place, the fact that all the old varieties seem to hold their own greatly impressed me. In the other branches of the feathered fancy many of the one-time popular varieties have disappeared one by one, their glories having been eclipsed by new comers, either of home manufacture or importations from America and the Continent of Europe. In looking through the account of the Welsh International Show, I only noticed one variety that was unknown to me in 1887—namely, the Cinnamon Border Fancy. I remember seeing Cinnamon-marked Borders, but no selfs, so far as my memory serves me, were shown in the early 80's.

The next marked impression was the fact that so many of the old time judges and exhibitors are still on active service. It brought back memories to read such names as J. Robson, Joe Thomas, Silk (my old Emsworth friend, I imagine), F. W. Barnett, Green (of Lizard fame), Baker, the Barnstaple Belgian man, T. J. King, and others who were my fellow competitors of over 30 years' ago. It says a great deal for the cage bird fancy that these and other old warriors like C. A. House, now our leading all-round judge of pigeons, and George Gardner, equally well-known in the rabbit world, are still keenly interested in the cage birds. I still have prize cards lifted, as they say in Scotland, at shows held as far back as 1877, and the silver medal (with gold centre) won by me at the Palace in 1880 for most points in the British Bird Section, is still a most treasured possession.

I sometimes think I shall take up my old favourites again, and if anything would induce me to do so it would be the prospect of again meeting so many of those who have helped to make the fancy what it is. The healthy look of your advertising columns speaks surely of the success of your journal, and I can assure you that the perusal of your last number was a pleasure indeed, and well worth repetition. W. L. Roe.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—It is very interesting to read the letters which have appeared in Cage Birds on the notorious "White Rose." Some are to the point, and very instructive to the Fancy; others are of the "comedian" order. Mr. Saywell evidently tries to mix his paint to suit his audience. In his latest picture he puts the colour on Mr. Weston, and again gets the wrong tint. I well remember this bird being unpacked at the Nottingham Show of 1912, my attention being drawn to it by several fanciers, J. W. S. amongst them, and he distinctly stated he thought it was a Greenie-Bullie, remarking that it had a Bullie's eye and a Greenie's wing. I have also heard of him discussing the subject with other fanciers quite recently, when he pointed out to them where the Finch came in. What has caused the change? Now, Mr. J. W. S., take "Mansfield's" advice and stick to Buntings and Foreigners, and don't try to make veterans in the Fancy look small.

Hyson Green.

Sir,—I expected that quite a crowd of the Canary-Bullfinch theorists would have been clamouring for that five-pound note so generously offered by Mr. J. Craig, but not one of them has had the courage to come forward and hold out his hand for it. And they all pretended to be so very cocksure! Mystery piled upon mystery! In my previous letter I asked Mr. J. W. Saywell to play the game, but he still indulges in very unfair misrepresentations. In the first place, I never said that "White Rose" is a bad specimen. I stated that it is a badly splashed, variegated bird, and that a similarly splashed Mule from the Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite would be practically worthless for exhibition purposes. I feel confident that no experienced Mule breeder or exhibitor will contradict that statement. Correction No. 2: I did not "instruct judges, etc.," as stated by J. W. Saywell. I merely expressed a hope that judges would judge the bird on its merits, after careful examination. Correction No. 3: J. W. S. states that Mr. G. E. Weston said "White Rose" ought to go in the Light Canary Mule class. Mr. Weston denies having said so. Correction No. 4: J. W. S. states that Mr. C. Houlton placed it second at Nottingham, but he carefully omits to add that there were only three entries in the class, and that Mr. Houlton placed a variegated Goldfinch Mule in front of "White Rose." Correction No. 5: I did not ask what colour "White Rose" is now; I asked, what is its natural colour, never having seen it in that interesting state. If Mr. J. W. Saywell had known anything about the subject under discussion he would have known the meaning of the question. His friend knows, and it was to his friend that I put the question, not to J. W. S. Oh, yes, I have seen the bird and have observed its colour, or rather its colours, having seen it more than once during the past show season. Please note the word "colours." But before asking for further particulars, or attempting a reply, J. W. Saywell would be well advised to consult his friend, who, I rather suspect, will have found that J. W. S., by his interference, has done "White Rose" and its owner far more harm than the whole of the correspondents who have written in opposition to the Canary-Bullfinch theory. The unkindest cut of all is where J. W. S. so unfeelingly tells your readers that I am an Irishman—poor Ould Ireland.

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Say this, or say that.
Sure, it's no fault of mine,
If they christened me "Pat."

Patrick.

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Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrid

Reported Successful Breeding in a Darvel Aviary.

Sir,—Some time ago you announced in your valuable paper, Cage Birds, a scheme to encourage the breeding of rare crosses, and offered specials for same. Does this still hold good? If so, I will be pleased to have details of the scheme again, for not having any thought of gaining any success in that direction, I did not take note at the time you intimated it.

On May 3, in my outside aviary, where I have a mixed collection of birds, a Blackbird hen hatched two out of three eggs. I have never had a Blackbird cock, so it must be a Hybrid of some kind. My own idea is that it is a Song Thrush-Blackbird cross, as there are no other large British birds in the aviary except a Corn Bunting. I will be pleased to learn if this is a rare cross, and if it has ever been staged. If the chicks get on all right I will be pleased to let you know how they progress. The Blackbird is feeding the chicks herself. She has moulted twice in the aviary, and has built three nests each season, laying 12 eggs in the first year, and 15 the second. In this, her first nest this year, she only laid three eggs.

Hybrid.

[We believe this (if authenticated) to be a new cross. Specimens purporting to be wild-caught Hybrids between a Song Thrush and a Blackbird have been from time to time exhibited, but these have been generally pronounced to be simply hen Blackbirds with mottled breasts. We have forwarded to our correspondent the original conditions to which he refers, and which appeared in our issue of May 2, 1914, and we shall be very pleased to award a silver medal if the cross be authenticated, the young reared for a period of not less than three weeks from date of hatching, and an account of the breeding and rearing sent to us within twenty-eight days of the young leaving the nest.—Editor, "C.B."]

Birds in the Firing Line.

Sir,—"Country Life" of May 1 has the following interesting letters.

Territorial.

"The following note from a letter received last week from my son, now in Flanders, may be not uninteresting: 'What do you think of a Thrush nesting in one of our field-guns in action? The nest is underneath the barrel of the gun, just in front of the shield, and contains four eggs. I am afraid too many people have been to look at it and the eggs are now, I think, deserted. The gun probably was not fired while the birds were building, but some of the other guns in the battery were firing, certainly. I suppose the birds have got used to noises by this time.' My son speaks also of the numbers of Magpies in the same region, some of which are nesting, apparently little disturbed by the firing and the generally disturbed state of the country. These mischievous birds are very common in French and Belgian Flanders, and account for a good deal of the scarcity of game in that region. Nevertheless, Pheasants were roosting nightly in a copse last winter, close to a house where my son and other officers were billeted, and were shot occasionally with revolvers in order to furnish a welcome change of dietary.—H. A. B."

"In reference to an article of mine on birds in time of war, an officer of the Royal Field Artillery writes an interesting letter from the trenches. 'I read your article,' he says, 'sitting, as I am, in a shell-battered house within 300 yards of the Hun trenches—safely behind a small brick wall, however. As I write, they are plugging at one of our aeroplanes overhead, rifles are firing all along the line, machine-guns pop-pop all night and day, and my own battery has just finished firing a series at them; yet I can at this moment hear Sparrows, Chaffinches, and Larks, singing fit to bust, and I see constantly all sorts of birds going about their rather pleasing spring-time jobs, just as if nothing in the world extraordinary was happening. I have just heard a Yellowhammer join in; Swallows have arrived in fair numbers, Finches and Wagtails come close to the firing line, and Sparrows are building conspicuous rigmaroles of nests in bare poplar trees that I would not shin up myself for a thousand pounds—for reasons that would be obvious, were you here. I noticed directly I came here that such birds as there are took no notice of war at all. I have never seen a Hawk, though, or a Plover, but there are Rooks.' The letter gives a pleasant and vivid picture of a lighter side of war, but its main interest, as I think, lies in its testimony to the brave indifference of many species of birds to all the din of the firing. —Horace G. Hutchinson."

The Awarding of Cups and Medals.

Sir,—I wish to remind Mr. Rawsthorne that all cups, etc., are not awarded in the way he suggests, that is all birds to count points. In my own few years of experience I find that however they are awarded they always tend to a certain amount of soreness amongst the members. For example, a perpetual shield and gold medal were kindly presented to one of the local societies for competition at three shows held during the year, points to count for the four highest birds at each show, somewhat after the manner in which Mr. Rawsthorne suggests. The first two shows went off all right, and about half-a-dozen members were left for the final who had any chance of winning the shield. This was at the British Bird and Pair Show. To show your worthy correspondent that it is not always the man or firm with the most money who can win trophies, I may say that in this particular case a twopenny hen Chaffinch put in a cage with a Norwich cock gained first prize in the Muling class, and also secured for the exhibitors the much coveted shield and gold medal. Whether the judge was right in awarding this pair first prize or not I don't wish to comment on, although to my belief this cross has never yet been obtained, nor is it likely to be. If the pair had been shown by a raw novice, or by a particularly keen Hybrid breeder, there would have been a certain amount of excuse, but they were shown by two of the leading exhibitors (partners) in the district, who have gained premier honours at open shows from the Scottish National to the Crystal Palace with Canaries. The runner-up, also keen on winning the shield, put six hen British seed-eaters in the class provided, and gained 1st 2nd, 3rd, and all other honours, because no other member had any entered, and his points gained were allowed to stand to his credit, although he had no competition; but the rules of the society allow it. This sort of exhibiting exists when only a certain number of birds count for trophies; and after all your trouble in breeding and exhibiting your valuable pairs of Canaries (which might be worth pounds) the birds fade into insignificance when they get alongside a hen Chaffinch with black legs. My own idea of awarding the leading trophy of a society is that it should be for one show only, the old bird show, then everybody would have a fair and square chance. All the entry forms should be sent in and opened in front of the committee and secretary at a stated time, as I have heard of members altering their entries to suit the classes, or adding a few on if they were getting a bit "downhearted." A first feather show is always more or less of a lottery, as some member's birds might be too young, or too old, to show; or he may have had a bad season, and gain no points at the show, and his chance with all his perhaps valuable old birds is absolutely nil. Having gone down heavily at the first show he is driven out of competition for that season. If the members, by a majority, decide all points to count, or only so many birds, I find, Mr. Rawsthorne, it is always the best policy, for the benefit of any society, to work with the majority.

G. Morton.

The above letter has been unavoidably held over. —(Editor, "C.B.")

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Club Reports.

SOUTH MOOR SOCIAL CLUB.

Meeting, May 9, Mr. Taylor chair, and a poor turn up, through other club meetings on same night clashing. Decided to go into schedule. We have made a good classification of 32 class. Next meeting, June 7. I should like to see as many as possible at this meeting.—Geo. Lane, Sec.

BLAENAVON C.B.S.

Meeting, Crown Hotel, May 6. W. Latham and G. Sainsbury were elected members. Unanimously decided to hold an open show in November. An excellent schedule was drawn out and adopted. All members, please, attend a special meeting on May 20th, as some very important business is to come on.—G. J. Jones, Sec.

HARTLEPOOLS C.B.S.

Meeting, May 5, St. George's, a good few turned up. Decided to hold F F. show June 26, birds staged 2.30. Members please turn up by 2 to fix up staging. Fee, 3d. per cage, 1s. limit; Mr. E. Woodhead, judge. Classes, 4 Yorks., 4 Nor., 2 Bord., A.O.V. Can., Mule or Hyb. Decided to apply for patronage of the Border Fancy Club for our annual show, Nov. 6. Fanciers wishing to join should apply to sec., 1s. entry, 2s. 6d. snb. Members note, no June meeting.—J. W. Thornton.

READING C.B.S.

Meeting, Palmer Hall, May 5, before a much improved attendance. Sec. gave a lecture on the internal organs of the Canary. By the means of sketches, he pointed out their various positions, and also the diseases that were likely to occur. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Sec. for the interesting lecture. Decided to hold colour food competition next meeting, when a good book will be given as prize to the member gaining the most points as to methods of making and getting birds to take same. Miss C. Garland was elected a member.—O. C. Smith, Sec.

EAST HAM F.S.

Meeting, May 6. Mr. T. G. Bransford gave a very instructive lecture on "The Fancy in General." During the lecture he read extracts from old works, showing under what adverse conditions the Fancy was originated, and so on to present-day conditions. He also pointed out the necessity of all members to stand by their society, and by so doing helping the Fancy in general. Next meeting, and lecture by G. Gardner, May 20. Visitors welcome. —W. A. Harwood.

CHESTER-LE-STREET C.B.S.

Meeting, May 8, Mr. Stanger chair. Decided that subscription be 3s. 6d. per annum. New members, 1s. entrance after this year, and that N.F. show be held July 17; judges nominated, Messrs. J. Hands, R. Rowell, W. T. Smith, T. Dixon, W. Reid, and J. Risebrough. Schedule to be same as last year, except that class 9 reads, Cinn., Yell. or Buff; class 15, Hense or F.M. Linnet. Decided to leave annual show date and schedule till next meeting. Mr. Ward was re-elected sec. and treas. Chair to be left open till next meeting.—R. Ward, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting May 8, Mr. W. Cresswell chair, elected in place of Mr. A. Dawson resigned, with a very moderate attendance. We elected Mr. W. Reed, of Sunderland, to judge Canaries at annual show Oct. 30. Mr. J. Lowerson was elected assist. sec. New member elected, J. Stevenson. To see if we can get a better attendance, we are having a table show at next meeting, June 5, and perhaps I may have a box of chocolates or a perambulator, as some members certainly seem to require to be carried about. Classes for table show: Nor. bred 1915, Yorks. 1915, Bord. 1915, Linnet F. or H.M., Redpoll, Siskin or Twite, A.O. Brit. Hardbill; birds to be staged at 6. Mr. W Forster judge. Members are asked to bring as many birds as possible and give him something to do.—G. F. Eales, Sec.

MANCHESTER AND N.C.O.S.

General meeting, May 3, with a good attendance. Mr. A. Hirst (Accrington) was elected to judge N.F. show. The chief item was a lecture on "The preparation of birds for exhibition," by Mr. Barker Clegg. The lecturer dealt with the subject in a very businesslike way, beginning with the weaning of the youngsters and training them for the Nest Feather Shows, and explained the full management of the various varieties during the moult, their colour feeding, and the washing and grooming for the open shows. The lecture was greatly appreciated by all, and at the close Mr. Clegg was kept busy answering a running fire of questions. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Clegg brought to a close a very interesting and instructive discussion and lecture. Next meeting, May 17th; we are to hear Mr. T. Harrison (Altrincham) lecture on "Greens, and their breeding and management." I ask all members to attend as early as possible, so that we may get through the ordinary business in good time.

The annual ramble took place May 2nd, and proved very enjoyable. The party, consisting of thirty odd members and friends, met at Stockport, and our member, Mr. J. Beswick, conducted, by way of Offerton and Otterspool Bridge, through the Marple Hall Estate, and thence to Marple. After making arrangements for tea, the party made their way to the Lakes. We were rather early in the season for bird nesting, as the trees and bushes are rather backward this year, the scanty foliage not giving much cover for nesting preparations. After tea at Marple Bridge the party proceeded on foot to Stockport, by way of Compstall, Romdey and Bredbury. The return journey was more in the nature of a "route march" than a ramble, but was very much enjoyed by all (except those who returned from Marple by train). The advance party reached Stockport at 8.15 p.m., just in time to have one "small lemon" before the lights went out, and the journey to Manchester was completed by car, except by a few of the "stunts," who had got wound up and kept on walking. F. Hayward, Hon. Sec.

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WIGAN ROLLER CLUB.

Meeting May 8, a good muster present. Mr. Ord elected a member. Unanimously decided to have an open contest on Dec. 4 if that date does not clash with other societies fixtures. Will Roller club secs. please reply if the above fixture interferes with their own to P. Greenall, Sec., 2, Short Street, Pemberton, Wigan.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Meeting at Kelvedon Hall, on May 20th, at 8 p.m., when it is hoped that all members, old and new, will turn up. The balance sheet will be read, and the debts of a late official settled and done with for ever. Arrangements for young bird show will be the next item, and there is other important business. Subs. are now due.—H. F. Bowring, Hon. Sec.

GLASGOW (East End) O.A.

Meeting Ap. 30, Parish School. Mr. A. McMillan presided before a fair turnout. Decided that we have F.F. show, in the Parish School, June 29, entries being left over to next meeting, also selecting of judge. Two new members were added. All members might turn out at next meeting with entries for the show, as it is our desire to make this show a success. Fanciers residing within area wishing to become members will be elected at next meeting, May 25.—D. Burnett, Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, June 6, President chair. A record number turned up to hear Mr. H. W. Battye on the Yorkshire and Norwich. He dealt with all the chief points as only one of his standing can, and everyone present should be benefited. Some of his experience he gave in typical Yorkshire style, and caused much amusement. Various questions were asked, which he promptly answered. Mr. Drabble had on view a double egg, and by the size of it, egg-binding might have happened. Mr. Dransfield elected a member. Next meeting, Essay Competition. Essays to be written on one side of foolscap, under nom de plume, and forwarded to Sec. the Monday previous. Prizes, 3s., 2s. 1s.—E. Sisson, Assist. Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting, April 28, Headquarters, with a good attendance; Mr. Bevan, chair. The deepest sympathy was tendered to our vice-chairman, Mr. A. H. C. Legg, in his very sad bereavement. Decided that we do not go to the Crystal Palace. Decided to have a ramble, May 19th, to Cowbridge, going by train from Penygraig Station. After business Mr. Greeves gave a lecture on the Norwich Canary, which proved very interesting. Several questions were asked, the lecturer answering in a very able manner. This brought a very pleasant evening to a close. Members please attend next meeting, as we have a lot of work on hand, also some subs. are overdue. Now, members, stick together.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting, Waterloo Hotel, May 5; Mr. J. B. Hayter, chair. Sec. announced that all arrangements for forest ramble on June 9th were complete, and tickets on sale at 2s.; members please apply as soon as possible. Final arrangements and classification for F F. show, July 7, were settled; Mr. Hayson has kindly consented to judge. A table show of Brit. and Foreign was held; the entry was not large, but a champion lot of birds were staged. Special best bird went to Mr. W. J. Hartnell's grand light Mule, with Mr. Foyle's Goldf. a good second. The judging competition was won by Mr. J. B. Hayter. All arrangements were well carried out by the hard-working hon. secs., Mr W. L. Page, and, as usual, prize-money was paid out at close of show. Goldf.: 1, 3, Foyle; 2, Vale; vhc, Hartnell. Bullf.: 1, Slawson; 2, Vale. Linnet: 1, Mellmish, 2, Foyle; 3, Slawson. Redpoll, Etc.: 1, Vale. Greenf.: 1, Vale. A.O. Hardbill: 1, 2, Vale; 3, Slawson. Softbill: 1, 2, Slawson. Light Mule: 1, sp. 2, Hartnell. For.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Slade.—G. Slade, Asst. Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER FANCY C.C.

Meeting, May 5, Pillar Cafe, Pink Lane, Newcastle, Mr. A. Allaeck presiding over a fairly good attendance. Mr. T. C. Crawhall gave an address upon Line Breeding. The lecturer said that so far as this system of scientific breeding was concerned, although he had experimented to a certain extent, he was speaking more from theoretical than practical experience. Line breeding had been found necessary, and was practised successfully, by breeders of high-class horses, cattle, dogs, poultry, etc. He did not want to give anyone the impression that by merely mating up a pair of birds and following this system the much-desired 1st and special would inevitably materialise, but given good stock to start with, combined with careful selection, an exhibition strain of Canaries could be built up and maintained with a greater degree of certainty than with many of the haphazard methods at present practised in the cage bird Fancy. He pointed out instances where fanciers had bought the first the show-bench had produced, and yet had not been able to breed a winner, and had either sold off or bought other winners, whereas if a system of scientific breeding had been adopted, the good points (face value) of the birds would in all probability have appeared in the progeny of the later matings. The lecturer here produced a chart which showed from one pair of birds the matings to be adopted over a period of five or six seasons, also the proportion of the parent blood contained in the progeny of each of these matings, the chart also showed the method to be adopted when introducing fresh blood when this became necessary. At the close Mr. Crawhall said that if any of the audience were not quite clear on any of the points he had dealt with, he would be pleased to explain them to the best of his ability, but his experience of lectures was that more information was gained, and the questions were fuller and freer if these took the form of a general discussion. The manner in which this was taken up—practically the whole of the company joining in—proved the interest the subject had aroused. Among the several points discussed were the question of inbreeding, and eccentricity of Cinnamon Ideal. Mr. Crawhall, in replying to the questions, said that line breeding was practically a scientific form of inbreeding, and he was convinced that to fix any desirable point in an exhibition strain it was absolutely necessary to practice this in some form or other. In moving a vote of thanks to Mr. Crawhall for his address, Mr. Potts said he was sure he was voicing the opinion of all in saying that the lecture was one one of the most instructive and interesting delivered under the auspices of the Northern Border Fancy Club. The vote of thanks was carried by the audience very heartily. Although the hour was late, several were loth to leave, so interested were they in the various points raised. It was decided to have a question night at next meeting, June 2nd. —C. Farrer, Hon. Sec.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Meeting, May 3rd, Parish Hall, Mr. Bartlett chair, and a good muster, to hear a paper by Sec., Mr. King, on "Success and failure in breeding." Many excellent ideas were explained as helping towards success, and a number of theories in regard to failure were propounded by Mr. King. A very animated discussion followed, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to our secretary. Our annual ramble in Epping Forest takes place 15th May. Train from Liverpool Street to Loughton, 2.42. The party will assemble at Loughton Station, and those coming from intermediate stations will wait at Loughton until 3.20. Fanciers and friends are cordially invited to join us. A substantial meat tea at The Owl will be provided at a nominal figure.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

YORKSHIRE C.B.S. OF IRELAND.

Annual meeting, 3rd May, 47, York St., Dublin; Mr. P. Gillen, chair, and a fair attendance. Correspondence read from Messrs. Dowling and Devins. Secretary's statement read and treasurer's statement of accounts met with approval and passed unanimously. The suspension of two members by the outgoing council was dealt with, and it was decided that the council had fairly treated the matter according to rule, but for the interest of the fancy the case of one member was left to be decided by the incoming council, and the other suspension removed. Mr. Lattimore then handed in his resignation. Decided that the annual show be held 24th and 25th Nov. Messrs. Hyland and Keogh were elected scrutineers; Messrs. Shea and Harris elected members. Result of ballot for officers and council:—Patron, Mrs. M. F. O'Keeffe; pres., Mr. W. Keating; vice-pres., Messrs. J. E. Morgan and J. M. Barclay; hon. sec., C. Holley; hon. treas., W. C. Snoledice; council, Messrs. Burtinshaw, Magee, Gillen, Keogh, McKeon, Kelly, Mulcahy, Hyland, Kennedy, Farrell, McNally, and Power; provincial council, Messrs. Wheatley, Fleming, Devins, Lynch, Ryan, Byrne, Woods, and Smyth.—C. Lattimore, ex-Hon. Sec.

Singing Contests.

BLACKBURN.

Great all-England Linnet contest for quality only, Empire Hotel, Blackburn, May 22, when several good prizes will be given.—(Advt.)

CASTLEFORD.

Contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, May 8, for 4 prizes; 4 mins.' time singing. Watkiss, 1; Nelson, 2; Scott, 3; Caddy, 4. Open sing, May 9: Watkiss, 1; Williams, 2; Plows, 3.—S. Morley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, May 8, 38 birds entered for three prizes: 1, Atkinson; 2, 3, shared, Cooper, Perkin. Time-keepers, R. Collinson, J. Cooper; tappers, O. Potter, J. Bath. Our membership is steadily increasing; we got a new member, May 8, and there is plenty of room for more.—R. Plows, Sec.

WIGAN.

Linnet contest, Bay Horse Hotel, May 8. 22 birds were staged. Quality: 1, Topping; 2, A. Leyland. Time: 1, Aspey, 63secs.; 2, Glover, 40secs. There will be a singing contest at Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan, May 15th, for time and quality. The proprietor, Mr. Sam Fishwick, will give prizes according to entrance. Entrance fee, one shilling each bird.—A. Leyland, Sec.—(Advt.)

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, club sing, May 8. Thirty-six birds entered for four prizes, four minutes' time singing, five seconds a break: 1, Beard, 129; 2, Jones, 115; 3, 4, shared, Pugh and Scotson, 96. Open sing, May 9. 42 entered for four prizes, three minutes' time singing. 1, Jones, 96; 2, Scott, 75; 3, Beard, 73; 4, Scotson, 49.—S. Pugh, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Open Linnet sing, May 9, Commercial Inn, New Street. A. Wareing, timer; Guy, chalker. It was the first time of his chalking, and he did very well. The winner did very good time, but the others nothing much. 1, 2, Jones, 4min. 37secs., 3.46; 3, Dodd, 3.9. May 9, Lark contest, for a special prize, 10 minutes' time singing, 30 secs. before a break. 1, G. Frast, 6mins. 47secs. D. Fysh did about 2.20. Dodd never reached the 30sec. limit.—Hardman, Sec.

SPENNYMOOR.

Linnet contest, at "The Half Moon," May 8. 40 birds faced the judged, and the best birds in the County competed. 1, Walker; 2, 3, Dixon; 4, Jackson. Judge, Fairless, East Howle. Timekeeper, M. Moses.

There will be a meeting at the Butcher's Arms, Merrington Lane, Low Spennymoor, on May 22, at 7, to form a Linnet singing society; those wishing to join, please send their names to Mr. Hughes, Butcher's Arms, Low Spennymoor, Co. Durham. G. Reed, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, May 8th. Thirty-two birds sang for three prizes. 1, Richardson; 2, Ward; 3, Stead. Judges, Crane, Naylor. May 9, 40 sang for four prizes. 1, Howarth; 2, J. Parker; 3, Butler; 4, Richardson. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor, Grant.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing contest, Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Boslingthorpe, May 9. Nineteen entered, and some very good singing was heard before a crowded room. 1, Burns; 2, Laycock; 3, King. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds. The match on May 8 was a success; 18 birds competed; a special prize is given for Saturday only. 1, Wigfield; 2, Lorriman; 3, Turner and Wigfield shared. Judges, C. Lorriman, J. Wright. May 9, 34 birds competed; 1, Wigfield; 2, Cooper; 3, Johnson; 4, Turner. Judges, C. Lorriman, N. Soloman; A. Bryan, timekeeper. A. Bryan, Sec.

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Altrincham Open C.B.S.—May 19, Station Cafe, 8. N.F. show business.—C. Bailey.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—May 16, Town Hall, 1.30. Ramble to Marple Woods.—J. Whitehead.

Ardwick & Manchester C.B.A.—May 18, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel Street), 8. Open question night. Sec.'s report. Introduction of a few topical items for the edification of novices. —J. Spencer.

Barrow C.B.S.—May 19, Gardner's Restaurant, 7.30. Open discussion on bad feeders and general business for N.F. shows; schedule completed.—D. McFarlane.

Beamish C.B.S.—May 15, Bird Inn, High Hold, 7. Members please attend and have the young bird trophy selected; new members invited.—J. H. Elliot.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—May 15, Social Club, 7. F.F. show. Judges, etc.—D. Seely.

Burnley O.S.—May 19, Star Inn, Church Street, 7.30. Selection of judge F.F. show. Fanciers welcomed. Those wishing to become members please notify.—T. Chadwick, 42, Shale St., Burnley.

Burnhope C.B.S.—May 15, Mr. J. Dixon's Col. Inn, 6. Date of show; judges; washing exhibition by Mr. G. Lane; intending members please turn up.—J. W. Robson.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—May 18, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Schedule for young show.—G. Morton.

Cardiff C.B.S.—May 20, Maskell's Hotel, 8. To elect judge for young bird show in June; also other important business; subs. due.—E. Thomas.

Charlotteville F. & U.S.K.S.—May 26, St. Luke's Institute. Table show, staged 6. Annual show, Aug. 2.—C. H. Pope.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—May 15, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. Arrange classes for F.F. show; election of new officers.—Smith and Lees.

Clapham C.B.A.—May 16, Ramble. Train leaves Waterloo 9.45, Clapham Junction 9.55. Back to Effingham Junction.—T. J. Hose,

Clydebank C.B.C.—May 20, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Selection of judges for annual show, and other business.—W. Kane.

Dulwich & Peckham C.B.S.—May 18, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, S.E., 8. Lecture by Mr. J. W. Ramsden on colour feeding. All invited.—D. Reeks.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—May 15, Black Swan, 7. General business.—A. Walton.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—May 18, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Final arrangements for ramble, May 29. Classification and election of judge for F.F. show. Last meeting for enrolling new members.—J. C. Charlton.

Garston B.B.A.—May 19, Club Room, 8. Lecture on birds.—A. T. Mullock.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—May 15, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Important business. Fanciers please note we accept no members for 1915 after this meeting.—G. Vipond.

Halifax O.S.—May 15. Ramble to Hebden Valley. Leader, Mr. F. Greenwood. Meet tram at King Cross for Hebden Bridge at 2, or at Tram Terminus, Hebden Bridge, at 3 prompt.—H. Clegg.

London & Counties A.C.B.—May 15, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., 8. Questions and answers on breeding topics. Fanciers welcomed.—W. Gilbert.

London & P.O.S.—May 20, Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street, 8. Lecture on "Foreign Birds," by Mr. Allen Silver, F.Z.S. Friends heartily welcomed. H. L. Huggins.

Manningham C.B.A.—May 15, Mowbray Arms, 8. Special meeting.—F. Darwent.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—May 17, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Lecture on "Greens, and how to breed them," by Mr. T. Harrison (Altrincham). Friends invited.—F. Wilkinson.

Manningham C.B.A.—May 15, headquarters, 8. Business important.—T. Robinson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—May 18, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Show business. Subs. due. New members invited.—A. Colley.

National Brit. Bird & M.C.—Annual Ramble, May 15, to Beaconsfield, Bucks. Trains leave Paddington 9.27 a.m. and 1.25 p.m.—E. Stephens.

Plymouth U.C.O.S.—May 18, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley Street, 8. Question night: election of judges for N.F. show, June 2.—W. Luscombe.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Ramble, May 16. Meet at Town Hall at 2. G. Lord, Sec.

St. Quintin F. & F.S.—May 20, headquarters, 8. British bird judging competition. A. P. M. Tarrant.

Stockport & Hazel Grove.—June 26, Hazel Grove Co-operative Hall. Members' show. Mr. J. Rayne judge. W. Stafford.

West Stanley C.B.S.—May 15, Com. Hotel, 6.30.—W. Elliott.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—May 16, Smethwick Junction, 8.15 a.m. Ramble to Kiddy; 8.5 Birmingham, 8.20 Smethwick Junction. Mr. Jefferies conducts the party. All fanciers invited.—W. G. Andrews.

West Stanley Empire F.F. & C.B.S.—May 16, C. Room, 7. Schedule and trip business.—R. Hutchison.

Walkden R.C.S.—May 18, Stock's Hotel, 7.3.—E. Hilbert.

Wanstead F. & F.S.—May 26, Cambridge Park Hall, Wanstead, 8. Show.—H. S. Lofthouse.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

REARING YOUNG (Cock and Hen).—No, it is not correct to take a Yorkshire cock away from the hen the day the young are hatched, and this applies equally to any other breed. When he is to be taken away it should be done as soon as the clutch of eggs is complete, or rather, on the evening of the third day when you are putting the hen to sit. If not removed at that time, the hen will in many cases object to his removal afterwards, and her objection will take the form of refusing to sit at all. The only exception to his general rule is when the cock has been left with the hen during incubation and the hen refuses to feed the young after hatching. Then the cock may be taken away out of sight and earshot of the hen, which will compel her to leave the nest oftener for food and water, with the stray chance that she will pass on a bit of the food to the young when she returns. This will sometimes answer the purpose of getting a slack hen to perform her duties, but after all it is only to be looked upon as an experiment. (2) The chief points of rearing the young from the day they are hatched are to supply the parents regularly every day with egg food, or some soft food substitute. Give a little in the evening of the day before the young are expected, and afterwards give a fresh supply, in moderate quantity, fresh twice a day, morning and afternoon. On the third or fourth day give a little freshly gathered green food, and thenceforth give a little fresh every morning and afternoon, gradually increasing the quantity of both this and the soft food as the young grow and demand more food. If a large brood, a teaspoonful of soaked rape may be given separately daily, and when the young get about ten days old a little lightly cracked hemp may also be added daily. To get a more complete knowledge of the details, which cannot be entered into here, you should get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager would send you for 7d., post free.

GRATING NOISE AND GASPING (Anxious).—The best advice I can give you is to reject both these birds for breeding. They are probably in an advanced stage of bronchial trouble, and in any case are quite unfit for breeding stock. You may ameliorate the condition, but it is by no means certain that you can cure it. (1) Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape mixed together. In addition, give separately twice a week half a teaspoonful of some good seed mixture, and, once a week only, a teaspoonful of soft food. Give a fairly liberal supply of green food in variety. Every second day for a week add to the drinking water six drops of syrup of buckthorn and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and every second day for a fortnight after this give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia, and sweet spirit of nitre, then miss a week, and repeat it for another fortnight. (2) Treat this bird the same as the above, and be careful to see that neither of them is exposed to direct cold draughts, nor heated, unhealthy fumes, or a dusty atmosphere.

CLEAR EGGS AND DEAD EMBRYOS (E.C.).—It is quite easy to understand your case, as it is very typical of progressive weakness of the vital powers of the cock. When first mated the embryos in the first half of the clutches were sufficiently strong to hatch out, the later half of clutches being too weak to develop to this stage; with the second hens the powers had vanished, and clear eggs resulted. It may be that the real cause was that the cocks were late in coming into full vigour this season, and had in consequence not reached full virility when you mated them. In this case they will probably fill the second clutches all right, but it would be judicious to limit them to one hen this year, as it is doubtful whether they will be sufficiently vigorous to run with two hens with any material success.

DOUBTFUL SEX (Batley).—(1) My opinion is that the "cock" which sits so assiduously is in reality a hen, notwithstanding that it sings so much. It is not unusual for a cock to brood young or sit on eggs for a few minutes now and again, but, as a rule, they quickly tire of this tame affair, and it would be very exceptional indeed for one to take over the job in the way you say this bird has done. Unless very unmistakable proof to the contrary was available, I should certainly regard it as a hen. (2) This bird is probably suffering from weakness of the hind toe. Examine the feet to ascertain if this is so, and if you find it suffers from any loss of power to grip the perch, bathe the foot, or feet, as the case may be, in a warm solution of wych hazel a teaspoonful in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing for a few minutes, dry gently, and paint them over with a camel-hair brush dipped in tincture of arnica, and hold the bird a few moments whilst it dries. Also see that the perches are well-fitting, of a fair size to enable bird to grip easily, and a flattened oval on top, and round underneath. You may add a pinch of Epsom salts to the water for a few days to cool the blood.

YOUNG DYING (A. M. Harper).—Sorry, but without much more detailed information as to any symptoms that might have been shown by the young prior to death, I cannot tell what might have been the cause of the young birds' deaths at the same age, both last year and this, from no apparent cause. In the absence of this, only a post-mortem of the remains could satisfactorily settle the question. As it occurred only with the first brood each year, it may have been due to a chill, or to some change in the food supplied, or to the hen neglecting the sanitary condition of the young, but, as you say she was feeding well, this does not seem very probable. Mere speculation is useless in such cases, and only the fullest knowledge of all the circumstances would enable me to suggest the probable cause.

DYING YOUNG (Scribbler).—(1) You do not say at what age you begin giving hemp, but if it is just before the young begin to die off, I have no hesitation in saying that, whatever might have been the cause in previous years, the hemp is probably the indirect cause of your losses now. A large proportion of it is rancid and thoroughly bad, and unfit to form any portion of the dietary of Canaries. The rape also has a slight odour of seed mites, and it is really infested with this pest, this, too, would be none too wholesome either for old or young. The hemp should be totally rejected, and the condition of the rape looked into. Then I see no reason why you should not succeed without any further alteration of your methods I do not think anything is to be gained by ringing the changes on the two foods you mention. The sample you send will do all that the two could do in the way of rearing young. Whilst using this food, you need not be afraid of giving a crisp young lettuce leaf daily after the young are about a week old, and if the hens show any laxity in feeding sprinkle the soft food with maw seed, and give a little soaked rape, but see that it is of good quality, and free from infestation by mites, daily. Then I think your difficulty will cease. (2) There is nothing to fear from adding a pinch of Epsom salts, or a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, to the water occasionally when the young are in the nest, provided you do not overdo it.

A HASH (W.B.).—Judging from your description, I should say the eggs were unfertile, so the misfortune with them is of no great moment. Possibly the cock was not in very good condition when mated, though he may be quite vigorous enough to fill the next clutch of eggs, so it is a mere matter of taste which of the two cocks you use for the next brood. If the one you used last is a clear bird, he is the most suitable mate so far as colour is concerned. The other one will give you little, if anything, but more or less heavily variegated young. Still, you would not do amiss to use the one that is in most vigorous song, and best breeding condition. Give the first one a small teaspoonful of egg food twice a week, a little mixed seed on two other days, and a little dandelion daily.

W. McC.—Replied to by post.

SAMPLE OF RAPE (A. F.).—The sample of rape submitted is of good quality, and excellently matured, and is perfectly safe to use this breeding season. It, however, seems to be a trifle dusty, and would, therefore, be all the better for a little "brushing," or polishing, if the bulk appears to be very dusty, though this is not absolutely essential.

TO BRING ON SONG (White Rose).—(1) It would be exceptional for an adult hen to feed another hen when put together, in the same way as a cock would ordinarily feed a hen when mated with her, but it would be going a trifle too far to doubt the possibility of such a thing. Still, if a doubtful cock fed a known hen when mated with her, it would be fairly strong proof that it was a cock, if that is what your question aims at. To speed them up a bit, give the pair every second day for a time a teaspoonful of egg-food with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternate days give a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and teazle, with a slight sprinkling of mustard seed. Give a young growing stool of dandelion daily, or a liberal supply of the seed heads and blooms of dandelion. (2) At this season the treatment advised for the pair in No. 1 should be quite sufficient to bring any normally healthy cock into full, vigorous song. Try that treatment for a week or two, and you might also add to the drinking water every second day for a week as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon-juice. No other treatment should be necessary if the bird is really a cock and in normal health.

BREEDING ROLLERS (Govanite).—Thanks for particulars. As the cock does not seem to be at all trustworthy during the period of incubation, I think you would do best to take him away as before when the hen has laid her third egg, and, if convenient, keep him out of sight and earshot of the hen until the young are reared. When the young are hatched next time follow the instructions in "Canary Breeding," which you say you have, and use the mixture of equal parts egg yolk, crushed sponge cake and stale bread crumbs as soft food. Begin to give green-food on the third day, and if she shows any signs of slacking at once begin to give her a little crisp young lettuce twice a day. Also offer a little soaked rape daily from a week old, but be careful that it is not allowed to become sour. At ten days old, not earlier, begin to give a little lightly cracked hemp daily, but here again be careful to see that it is quite sound and good in the kernel, otherwise do not use any at all. I certainly have a preference for good home-made egg-food. One can always know the freshness of it, and it is after all very little trouble to prepare. If the hen still seems sluggish add ten drops of syrup of buckthorn and a crystal of sulphate of soda to the water for three days.

HEN OVER-FEEDING (Trier).—(1) You can certainly do very little to correct the over-feeding habit of the Yorkshire hen which is mated for breeding, as you cannot in such a case limit the quantity of food supplied. What I would advise is that you cut out the hemp, niger and linseed entirely from the general diet. Give a simple mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape as staple diet, and give the other seeds only as a tit-bit in quite small quantities not more than three times a week. You might also add to the water every second day for a week as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon-juice, then miss a week, and repeat it again for another week, if necessary. (2) No, I do not think it necessary, nor even advisable, to spray a hen that will not bathe during the breeding season. Offer the bath, and let it stay on the cage for an hour or so, every day, and if her mate bathes, or any other bird that she can see or hear, she will probably not be long before she so far mends her ways as to bathe as freely as any other.

CANARY QUERISTS

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

GOLDFINCH LOSING FLIGHTS (Mrs. E. L. Knight).—We frequently have cases of captive birds losing their tail feathers, but the loss of flights at regular periods is rather rare, and points to some want of vigour, which I think you should be able to improve by treatment. I have carefully examined the feathers sent, and beyond a certain dryness of the quills I can detect nothing unusual about them; but, then, this dryness is possibly the cause of them becoming loose in their sockets and eventually falling out. I am sorry you did not send me your mode of feeding; anyway, make up the following mixture: Teazle 4 parts, canary 3 parts, hemp 2 parts, and summer rape ½ part. Give him this as a staple food, then mix niger, thistle, and dandelion 2 ozs. each, lettuce, gold of pleasure and maw, 1 oz. each; and let him have a teaspoonful of this three times a week and a little sunflower on the other days. You should now also be feeding him liberally upon wild food, such as dandelion seed heads, chickweed, groundsel, seeding grass, and others as they come in season. Procure from your chemist some compound syrup of phosphates of the best quality, and mix half a teaspoonful with one ounce of boiled water. Let him have this three times a week, mixing it fresh in the morning and removing at night. Encourage the bird to bathe as frequently as possible.

CHAFFINCH WITH DEFORMED FEET (G.R.D.).—It sometimes happens that if a captive bird is out of condition its feet become affected, but fanciers who have had considerable experience are seldom troubled with feet ailments among their birds. Therefore it is evident that the trouble arises through improper treatment. Now the Chaffinch is one of the easiest birds to mismanage I know of, and the majority of people feed him exclusively on seeds, whereas his diet should consist largely of insects, ants' eggs, and a little soft food in addition to mixed seeds, etc. If you do not happen to have our Nutshell booklet on the Chaffinch, I would advise you to procure it at once, so that you will be able to give him the proper treatment. As regards the trouble in the feet, you had better bathe them in fairly warm water twice a day and anoint them with a little vaseline into which has been mixed a drop or two of paraffin. Hold the bird in such a position that the leg is free, and then, with the finger and thumb of the other hand, gently massage the foot and toes. If this is done daily the bird should recover the use of the foot. Keep him in as good health as you possibly can. No doubt the cause of the toes becoming twisted is that he has for the time being lost the use of them.

BREEDING BIRDS IN AVIARIES (W. Godfrey Pigott).—It is, as you remark, rather late to breed in your aviaries this season, as you have no birds in stock. Having all the summer to get ready, you could utilise it to advantage in procuring young birds of the year suitable for future operations. These you could possibly get as nestlings, and hand-rear them, or as "branchers," that is, young ones that have just left the nest and are consequently easily trained and not difficult to manage. Suitable species for the purpose would be Greenfinches, Linnets, Goldfinches, and hen Bullfinches. These could be used next season for Hybrid breeding, either by crossing among themselves or using with Canaries. All the Hybrids between two British birds are valuable, as they are somewhat difficult to get, and the Canary crosses are marketable stock, good specimens being valuable as show birds. The buying of your Canaries you could leave until the autumn, unless you would like to take a sporting chance and try to breed some now. If you procured a cock Norwich and two or three hens at once there is time for them to rear one or even two broods, and the young hens would be useful, and in addition to this it would be a little experience in the management of breeding birds in aviaries. When you have definitely decided upon your line of operations I shall be pleased to assist you in any little matter concerning British birds, or the production of Hybrids.

NOT SINGING MUCH (G. A. Shaw).—You write to say your Linnet is no better, and yet you say he is singing, but not much. When you wrote last time he was ill, so there certainly must be some improvement. My advice is to continue the same treatment, but discontinue the linseed and give half a spoonful of crushed hemp twice a week. Collect plenty of wild seed, such as chickweed, dandelion head, shepherd's purse, and seeding grass. All these are good for him, and being natural food can scarcely be overdone. Repeat the medicine occasionally, and see that he has boiled water only to drink. Let him bathe every day if he will; it braces the bird up and is as good or better than a tonic.

MULE BREEDING (E. W., Anglesey).—You must cultivate a little more patience if you desire to be a successful Hybrid breeder. Birds do not care about mating with other species, and many of them refuse to do so until compelled by nature. Probably by the time this is in print your hen will have gone to nest. The majority of Finches are rather late breeders, and your bird may not be quite fit, although by all outward appearances he is so. You cannot do better than continue with your present treatment. If the Goldfinch is very destructive, shut him off during the day and let him run with the hen for half-an-hour or so night and morning.

MULING QUESTIONS (Norwich Crest).—A cock Goldfinch or Canary may be in full song and yet, when turned in with a hen leave off singing immediately. If your bird has a clear beak and does what you say about swaggering and spreading his tail, he is in breeding trim. They will go to nest when the hen is ready. The change of room may have thrown her back somewhat. (2) A healthy cock Greenfinch should be quite fit now, although he may not sing to her or feed the hen. If you are not always with them, they may mate without your knowing it. Let her sit on the eggs. You can examine them when she has been on them a week. (3) There is plenty of time for your hen Greenie to nest. Give a little egg food, mixed seed, and dandelion heads and other wild seeds. (4) If your hen Bullie is still wild after she has been caged twelve months, I am doubtful about her nesting and sitting. Your best plan would be to keep plenty of moss or sawdust on the floor of the cage, fix the perches low down, and collect the eggs to place under hen Canaries. She may possibly steady down when she commences to lay, but she would doubtless be too nervous to incubate successfully or rear.

SEXING YOUNG (Cocks or Hens).—In a general way the largest, boldest-looking, and overbearing birds in the nest will prove to be cocks. They are also more dominating and pushful, so that by the time they are about half fledged they more or less eclipse the hens both in size and demeanour, and are the so-called "top birds" in the nest. At feeding times they monopolise the parents' attention more completely until their own wants are satisfied, so that the hens are usually the last to be crying out for food. But these are only general guides, and must not be taken as quite infallible. In adult birds in breeding condition the vent of the cock is more pointed and protuberant, but this difference is not applicable to young birds.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERIST

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hordbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each). No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

DOVES (Teddingworth).—Both the species you refer to are Turtle Doves. The "tame, stone-coloured doves with a ring round the neck" are Barbary Turtle Doves. The Turtle or Common Turtle Dove is about the same size, but is of a darker hue, has chequered wings, and a patch of black, spotted with white, on either side of the neck. The latter may often be seen in English woods and pastoral districts. Both species interbreed fairly readily in captivity, and the resulting hybrids are a pleasing combination of both species and are mostly fertile. The Barbary Turtle Dove is not difficult to keep at liberty, similarly to fancy pigeons in rural districts.

CUTTHROATS (F.G.).—When these birds are feeding young supply the usual seeds, also some dried or live ants' eggs, according to season, and a little of some good make of insectile mixture—several good ones are advertised in our pages. Green-food should be supplied fresh twice daily throughout the breeding season to all Foreign Finches—seeding and flowering grass, chickweed, groundsel, and other garden weeds. I have placed these in the order of merit. The young should be removed as soon as they are able to fend for themselves. Do not meddle with the nest or young till the young have flown, unless you see a dead fledgling; then take the opportunity of removing it as unobtrusively as possible.

BISHOP AND SINGING FINCH (H.S.)—It is hard to say; all creatures are more or less social, but Bishops certainly do well and appear content with single blessedness. A bachelor Bishop or Weaver keeps very busy weaving, and does as much rampant chattering as the mated one. Mates are not always easy to procure for some of these, and more especially so in these troubled times. The Grey Singing Finch is an African species, hardy, and most males are very sweet songsters.

BUDGERIGARS (Mrs. Shears).—As regards your Budgerigars, there is not really room for another pair in your cage, but I think you had better put another pair in, so that one pair may stimulate the other; then, as soon as they have settled down to breeding, only retain the steadiest and most prolific pair, and, of course, the young must be given other quarters as soon as they are able to fend for themselves. Your Parrot is a Slender-billed Cockatoo, usually rather a dull species and apt to scream, but I have come across individuals which talked fairly well. The extra length of the upper mandible is natural. If you add maize to the seed mixture given in the reply to "F.C.L.D.," April 24, it will meet the requirements of your bird. Also supply dry crusts, pieces of biscuit, nuts in variety, ripe fruit, such as apple, banana, etc. Keep cuttlebone, grit and wood for it to cut up continually in the cage.

RED-CRESTED CARDINAL (Miss B.).—A seed mixture of canary and white millet seed as staple diet, any kind of ripe fruit it will take, green food, and two or three mealworms or other insects per diem. It is a restless, active species, and should have a roomy cage. They are hardy and usually do well if not subjected to a chill. Of course, it is understood that the essentials—cuttlebone, grit, and water for drinking and bathing—will be regularly supplied.

ZEBRA FINCHES, ETC. (F. B. C.).—(1) Zebra Finches often rear on seed alone, with liberal supplies of green-food. At this time they are partial to a few mealworms, and you should also supply a little of some good make of insectile mixture. (2) Very few on the market now, but an advert. may procure you a pair from private sources—present value about 15s. (3) If you turn up your "B.N." for 1914, pages 314 and 337, and adopt the method given there, you should succeed—impossible to give full details in this column, at about seven days. (4) Internal irritation: give one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water, then lightly colour the water with chemical for four days, after which repeat the magnesia, and so on till the bird is in good order again.

SINGING FOREIGNERS (J. F. Bennett). The following would be about your best: I take it you only require cocks, merely a cageful of attractive pets with some song. Abyssinio Finch 7s. 6d. to 10s.; Green Singingfinch 5s.; Avadavat 3s. 6d.; Grey

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RED AND GREY GALAH (Bostie).—Your bird is a Roseate Cockatoo, and hails from Australia. If your bird is a decent talker, you have not paid an excessive price for it, but untrained and newly-imported specimens can usually be procured for a few shillings. Some Roseates make good talkers, others scarcely utter a word; they are mostly, however, very chummy, droll birds, and also very hardy. If the bird offered you is really a talker, it is not dear at the price asked, but you should have it on appro. (deposit system), so as to test it and ascertain if it has any vices such as screaming, etc., before concluding the purchase.

SIZE AND VALUE (F. B.).—It is impossible to give other than very approximate values in this present war-time. The size, total length is given in inches, and covers from tip of beak to end of tail. Below, "T.L."—total length, "t"—tail, and "v"—value per pair. Budgerigar, T.L. 7½, t. 4, v. 5s. 6d. upwards; Cockateel, T.L. 12½, t. 6½, v. 15s.; Red-rump, T.L. 12, t. 6½, v. 60s. The Lovebirds (Agapornis) do not vary much; the Madagascar, Abyssinian, Red-faced or headed, Black-cheeked, and Peach or Rosy-faced all vary from T.L. 5½ to 6½, t. 1½ to 2, v. in order named 5s., 80s., 60s., 50s., 100s. Of the smaller Parrakeets, the Passerine (Blue-winged Lovebird), T.L. 5, t. 1½, v. 25s.; All-Green, T.L. 10, t. 5, v. 30s.; Orange-winged, T.L. 9½, t. 4½, v. 50s.; Yellow-winged, T.L. 8¾, t. 4½, v. 50s.; Tovi, T.L. 7¾, t. 3, v. 42s.; Tui, T.L. 7, t. 2½, v. 45s.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

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I must again remind you that in present unsettled conditions prices may rule higher than those stated. There are others, but they are hardly likely to be procurable under present condition. The description of the male Red-rump is as follows: General colour bright green, rump crimson, wings variegated with blue and yellow, centre of abdomen yellow, tail green, variegated with blue, greyish-white and brown. The female is much duller, grey and browner than her mate. They have a pugnacious reputation, and there is a risk in keeping them with smaller species, though in roomy aviaries I have known them to be successfully kept in mixed series, but the element of risk is always there.

SMALL GARDEN AVIARY (A.R.P.).—The sum you name does not allow of much, but if you are able to construct it yourself and can spend all your money on material, a useful and practical structure should be possible. It is not possible for me to give you a plan in this column, but if you will send me a stamped addressed envelope and a rough sketch (ground plan) of your garden, indicating where you would like to place it, I shall be pleased to send you a rough sketch and plan to work from. If you have a wall you can build against, that will be an advantage, as the wall will form the back of the aviary; better still, if you have a corner you can use, with two walls at right angles to each other, the materials required will be still further reduced. You should also give me some idea what you desire to keep in it.

BEARDED REEDLING (E.E.B.).—Keep the temperature of your room as even as possible. Put eight drops of cod-liver oil emulsion on the daily supply of soft food mixture and well mix together. If the bowels are not moving freely, moisten the soft food for one day with one-third of a teaspoonful of fluid magnesia, and repeat as necessary to keep the motions easy without undue looseness. Get a mixture of ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills, and glycerine in equal parts. Stir half a teaspoonful into the drinking water daily till the cold yields, then put the bird on a course of phosphates for a month, so as to tone it up.

BUDGERIGARS (Esperance).—For draughty quarters an all-wire cage is rather undesirable, but one has to make the best use of one's opportunities, and in a wire cage 3ft. x 2ft. you should ultimately have some success. Of course, in a cage a single pair will often take a full year to settle down before commencing nesting. Both the summer and winter arrangements you mention should answer fairly well; in fact, with a cover put round the cage at night, they would take no hurt in the unheated room, except during extremely severe periods. Yes, you would have to sell the young as soon as they could fend for themselves, but, as when they have once started nesting, Budgies rear several broods in the course of the year, you would have a family daily to watch almost continuously. You should get a decent pair of mutated Green Budgerigars at from 5/6 to 7/6. As long as you can get it untainted with frost, supply seeding and flowering grass liberally. The book will fully enlighten you upon all other points.

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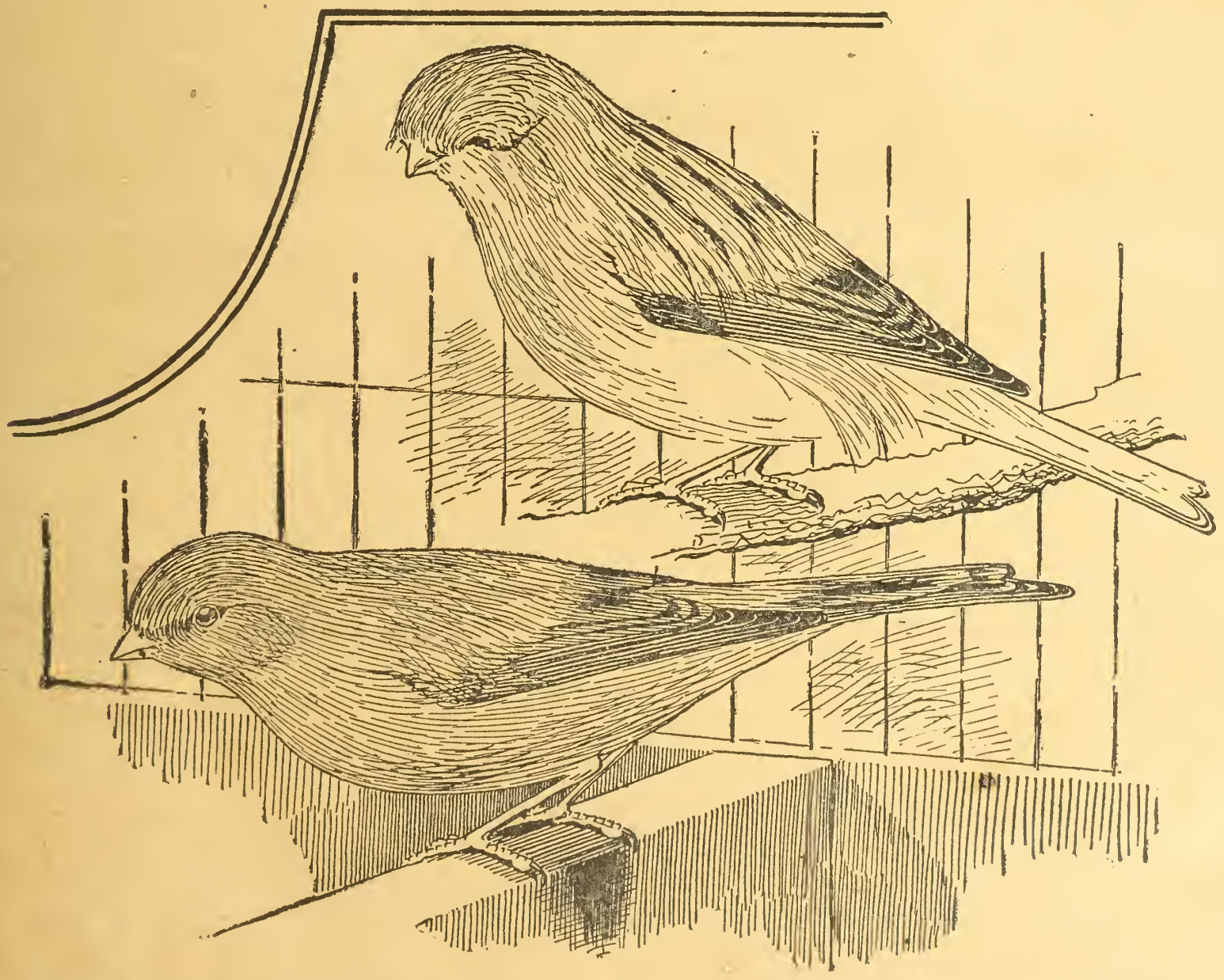

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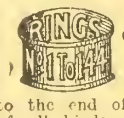

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FIVE grand yellow Yorkshire cocks, in full song and over 7in. long, fit to win, only 12/6 each; worth double; six days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (299)

BARGAIN.—Must sell, owner joined Army, clear yellow cock, ditto hen, also variegated hen, 1914 bred, 15/- carriage paid; on approval, cash or deposit; Henry Curd, Wisteria Villa, Wateringbury, Kent. (299)

GIVING up.—Slim upstanding Yorkshires, a few yellow and buff cocks left, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; also a few buff, yellow and variegated hens, must clear, 4/6, 5/6, and 7/6 each: Cyril Brown, Tobacconist, Scunthorpe. (302)

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GREENFINCH Mule, 6/-, full song; hen Canary and cock Linnet, 4/6; good Yorkshire cock, 7/6; offers: Collins, Morehard Bishop, Devon. (299)

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SIX loud Singing Finch Mules, 6/- each, or 30/- the lot; and 5 cock Goldfinches 2/6 each, or 10/- the lot; 6 months cages; the lot genuine: T. Morris, Church-st., Athlone. (302)

FOR sale, cock Greenfinch and variegated hen Canary, breeding condition, 10/6; or sell separate; pair Flemish Giant rabbits, Copping's strain, 15/-; owner enlisted: Sayer, High-st., West Bradenham, Thetford. (300)

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BLACK-cheeked Love Bird, 20/-: Cummings, 16, Promenade Villas, Cheltenham. (297)

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WANTED to purchase, any quantity of Parrots, whether talking or not; cheap for cash: Clarke, Bitton, Yiewsley. (300)

WANTED, cock Bearded Tit, hen Madagascar Blue-winged and Red-headed Lovebird: Wm. Shore Baily, Boyers House, Westbury. (300)

PAIR St. Helena, pair Orange-cheeked, and hen Gold-breast Waxbills, 15/- the lot; room wanted: 24, Little Welbeck-st., Cavendish-sq. (300)

COCKATIEL cock, 7/6; or exchange for two green adult Budgerigar hens: A. Patterson, Commercial Inn, Anerum, Roxburghshire. (299)

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AN African Grey Parrot, very good talker, in very strong cage, six guineas only; worth eight; in perfect health; approval, deposit: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (256)

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PAIR Magpie Mannikins, 9/6; cock Saffron Finch, 4/-; Black-headed Weaver 4/-; hen Green Singing Finch, 2/6; perfect health and feather: Edmund Lamb, "Alverstone," New Malden, Surrey. (302)

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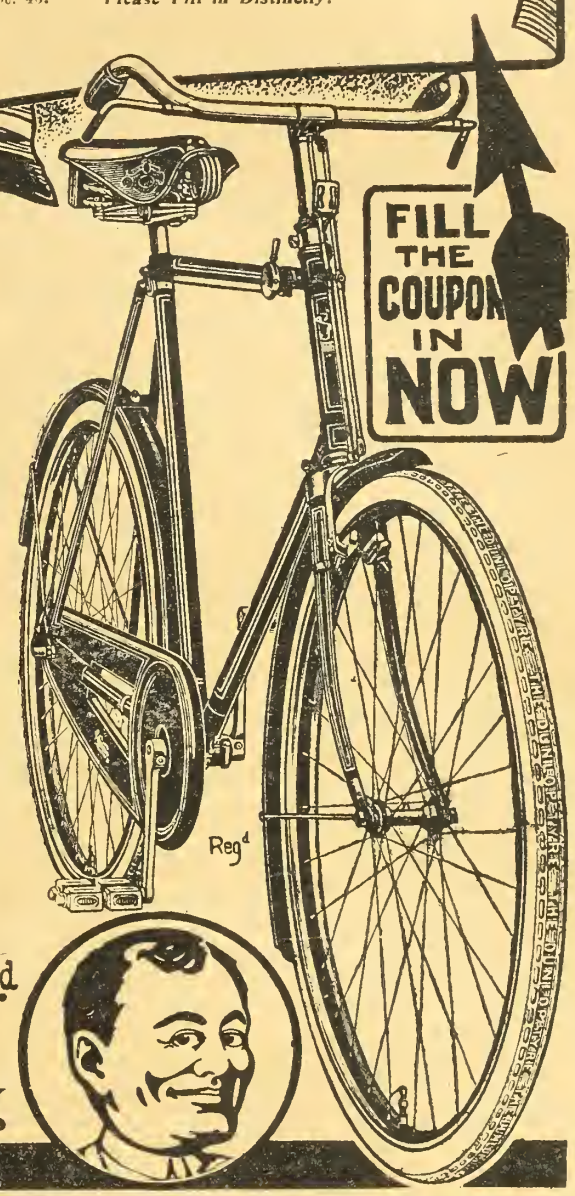

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NESTING hen Canaries, Norwich, Yorks., untried, 3/6; extra typical, 4/-; cock Linnet, mule, 3/-; muling cock green, 1/6; cock Hawfinch, show bird, 10/6; Rose-breasted cock Redpoll, 2/-; call or write: Mrs. A., 128, Clarendon rd., Notting Hill, London. (300)

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WANTED, Landrails, etc.: Rattigan (See Soft bills).

WANTED, small revolver, cheap for cash: 8, Gordon-st., Doncaster. (302)

LARGE clear buff cock, Lancashire Plainhead: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (296)

WANTED, a few foreign Finches for outdoor aviary: Mrs. Gant, Willowhyrst, Hillingly. (297)

WANTED, for outdoor aviary, hen Diamond Dove: 20, Alleyn Park, West Dulwich, London. (293)

EVERY variety of Canary wanted for cash, large or small quantity: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (259)

WANTED, Californian Crested Quail breeding hens also eggs; state price: Amery, 50, Tottenham Court-rd., London, W. (299)

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WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (241)

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WANTED, British birds, Canaries, pigeons, young rabbits, chickens, cheap; state price, cash: Brain, 288, Lichfield-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (275)

WANTED, Canaries, British and foreign birds, dogs, puppies, kittens, etc., best prices given, any thing alive: Deekes, Upper Norwood. (276)

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Twitterings.

The Provincial Roller Canary Club has fixed Dec. 3 and 4 for its next annual show, writes Mr. Andrew Percival, Hon. Sec.

Mr. F. J. Weaver, Wolverhampton, will judge Burton-on Trent C.B.S. summer show, July 24, writes Mr. A. Wood, Sec.

Mr. J. Peacock, hon. sec. of Sunderland C.B.A., has removed from 6 to 20, Whitburn Terrace, Sunderland. Secs. of other societies kindly note.

Societies desiring the patronage of the Open Norwich Plainhead Club for the coming season should write at once to Sam Wilcock, 16, Back Manor Street, Eccleshill, Bradford.

Accept my thanks for the picture of my winning Lizard, "The King," which you produced in CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL for 1915. It is one of the best plates of a Lizard I have ever seen, and does credit to your artist. Mr. Norman.—John Rukin, Rawtenstall.

Societies wishing the patronage of the Border Fancy Club should apply to the sec., Mr. W. B. Smart, 13, High Street, Loanhead, before the last Saturday in August, when the patronage for the year will be finally settled. See Club Report in another column.

The meeting of the Southern Border Fancy Club arranged for May 24th has, in consequence of the holidays, been postponed to May 31st, writes Mr. Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec., 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E. Secretaries of Societies wishing our patronage should forward their application not later than May 25.

Country Rambles.

The following rambles have been arranged, and local fanciers are invited to join:—Joint ramble, Colinton and Currie O.S.; Leith O.S., and Edinburgh C.B.S., May 29, through Dreghorn Estate. Train leaves Merchiston Station 2.45 for Colinton; Manchester Fanciers' Social Club, May 23, to Castle Mills; meet Altrincham car terminus, 1 to 1.30; Laisterdyke, Bowling, and Tong Combination, May 23, through the Washban Valley; train to Guiseley (time not stated—Ed.); Glasgow and Western Counties Club, May 29, to Bridge of Weir; meet corner of Argyle St. and Dunlop St., 2.20; train leaves 2.40; Leith O.S., May 29, to Dreghorn; train leaves Caledonian Station, Prince's St., 2.45; tea at Juniper Green.

A Starling's Strange Choice.

On the Pirn Estate, near Stow, Midlothian, a Starling has taken a fancy to a Wood-Pigeon's nest, and eggs of both birds are together.

Wedding Bells.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. S. Williams, the hon. business sec. and treasurer of the Foreign Bird Club, who was married on April 29 to Miss Muriel Nash, of Bickley, Kent. The new address of Mr. Williams is "Oakleigh," 110, Riverway, Palmer's Green, N.

THE WHITSUN HOLIDAYS.

The offices of "Cage Birds" will be closed from Saturday to Monday next, both inclusive. Will Advertisers, and Correspondents generally, kindly note that all matter intended for NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE should be posted early, to reach us on Tuesday, May 25 (or Wednesday first post at latest). Queries for answer in next week's issue must reach us not later than Friday, May 21.

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In the Courts.

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At Hitchin Petty Sessions, Arthur Claridge, labourer, Bendish, was summoned for killing a wild bird in the close season, on April 25, at Whitwell. Defendant pleaded guilty. Police-constable Appleby said he found on Claridge a catapult and a Blackbird which had just been killed. A fine of 4s. was imposed.

A Case Dismissed.

Charles Cornford was charged before the Hastings County Bench, May 7, with ill-treating two Linnets at Fairlight on 17th April, and denied the offence.—Inspector Adams, R.S.P.C.A., said he saw the defendant on the cliffs at Fairlight, with nets placed out for taking wild birds. Between the nets were two Linnets fastened on to two sticks. A fine string was attached to the two sticks. The whole time he was there the birds were struggling to get at liberty. They were terrified and frightened. Cornford showed him the birds, and one of them was quite red, although the skin was not broken. When the nets came over they came right over the decoy birds as well as they birds they caught.—By Mr. Glenister (for the defence): He could not say whether there were benders over the birds to keep the nets off them.—Cornford, on oath, said he had been bird catching for fifteen or sixteen years. During the whole of that time he had employed exactly the same method, but he had never been stopped before. The birds sat on the sticks and the method was to gently raise the stick about a foot, and then let them down, and the other birds followed them down. The birds were trained to sit on the stick. They first began to train birds and put the braces on when they were from six to eight weeks old.—A demonstration was given in Court to show how Linnets were trained to sit on a stick. He had benders to prevent the net falling on the birds. Frank Samuel Kent, a bird catcher, said he had been catching from eighteen to twenty years, and had never been stopped. He used the same method as Cornford. The Bench retired to consider their verdict, and upon their return they said they considered it a case that should be carefully gone into, but they did not find that cruelty was made out, and dismissed it.

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OBITUARY.

MR. A. BOTTOMLEY (Bradford).

Fanciers will regret to hear of the death of Mr. A. Bottomley, of Bradford, which occurred on May 14, at the age of 51, writes Mr. W H Symes, Sec. Laisterdyke B.F.A. He died after undergoing an operation for appendicitis. He was a man that was well known and liked among the fancy, having, I believe, kept Canaries for 20 years or more. He has a son in the Fancy, and therefore has someone to take his stock of birds. I am sure that all fanciers who knew Mr. Bottomley will extend their heartfelt sympathy towards his relatives in their sad bereavement.

MR. JOHN BUCHANAN (Stonehouse).

It is with deep regret that I write to inform you of the death of a well-known Hybrid breeder, John Buchanan, Stonehouse, writes Mr. Wm. Melvin. He was a member of Larkhall C.B.S., and although only five years in the Fancy, he had bred 33 Hybrids, Goldfinch-Greenfinch and Redpoll Greenies, one hen Greenie being the mother of 23 herself. He had been in bad health for seven months. Much sympathy is felt for his widowed mother in her sad loss.

Birds in the Firing Line.

A Warrington soldier writes that there are more Skylarks near the firing line than at any place in Lancashire.

The Fly's Natural Enemy.

We have nothing to say in defence of the birds which are more noted for their destructive propensities than for anything else; they must be reduced by all legitimate means. After all, however, they form the exceptions. A good case can be made out for the protection of the majority of species, and on utilitarian grounds, if no other, they ought to be allowed to thrive. Every spring and summer we receive warnings against the danger caused by flies of various kinds carrying germs of infection. We believe that all the measures recommended, on high medical authority, for safeguarding people against infection ought to be adopted; but, whatever may be done by human agency, it remains true that our principal security must be in the birds which prey on our tiny but countless enemies, and in protecting these we shall protect ourselves.

How I Breed My Norwich Canaries.

A paper read by Mr. N. Leese, before the members of the Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.

As I believe an exchange of opinions and methods is beneficial to everybody, I have pleasure in giving a few items of my system of breeding Norwich Canaries. I cannot claim to have had as many years in the Norwich Fancy as some who are present to-night, but I have bred a large number and with a certain amount of success on the show bench. I take it for granted that, as the season is so far advanced, all the spring cleaning has been completed, and the bird-room and cages are now ready for occupation, so that I will treat with the subject only from this stage.

When I make my arrangements for pairing I run my cocks in show cages, and then look out the hens which I consider will give the best results, always bearing in mind the pedigree of the birds under consideration, for unless you are familiar with the pedigree of your birds you will be breeding in the dark, as the surface value alone is unreliable. However, having decided on the birds I intend to run together, I then give them egg food each morning until the hen has gone to nest and laid her third egg. I then remove the cock, and feed the hen while sitting, with plain canary seed only.

On the night before the eggs are due to hatch I give a little egg (both white and yolk) mixed with ground arrowroot biscuit, and at three days old I replace the biscuit with bread-crumbs and follow up with the egg-food three times a day, 6 a.m., noon, and 6 p.m. I also give green-food, dandelion, and chickweed at mid-day. I supply rape and canary seed in the seed boxes, and I find that by following these lines I can rear the young without any further trouble. I never use hemp at all, as I think my birds are better without it; this, however, is a matter of opinion.

All being well, there will very soon be some young on the sticks ready for caging off. When I have removed the young to suitable quarters I continue the usual egg-food for three or four days, then commence to get them on hard seed, which I leave them to crack for themselves, and, reducing the egg-food, I give them a teaspoonful of bread and milk once a week until ready for colour feeding.

I never omit washing all water-pots with soda-water once a week, as I believe a lot of evil may arise through foul water-pots, and cleanliness is the main thing in keeping young birds in your room instead of in the ash-bin. I also clean my room floor once a week, using Jeyes' Fluid in the water; I think it seems to freshen up the birds as much as it does the room, and tends to keep the birds healthy.

When the birds are about six weeks old, I turn them into large flights for moulting and colour feeding, catching up the likely-looking birds just before completion of the moult and finishing these off in cages, sheeted over. The time spent in the large flight strengthens the birds, helps the moult, and I think they take better to colour food when in company. I always use the bath twice a week; this is also of great benefit all through the season."

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Bird Villains.

By BART KENNEDY.

The renowned "Tramp Author" moralizes on the rascally ways of some birds he has seen on his wanderings.

THE other day I saw a Crow standing in the middle of a field. He had the appearance of a very dark and very aged criminal who was meditating in solitude upon his innumerable crimes. I pretended to fling a stone at him, but he would not move. And I stood and watched him for a while.

In a varied and wandering life I have seen many criminal looking beings. I have seen men whom—if they stood in a dock—a jury would convict on general principle. I have seen beings calculated to give the most stoical the shakes and the shudders. But never have I seen such an appearance of concentrated villainy as my friend, the meditative Crow, embodied. He looked like the essence of black, bedraggled sin. And he was there in the middle of the field, thinking.

Finally I picked up a small stone and flung it at him. He looked like a person who should be moved on. But all he did was to hop a foot or so aside. And I went on my way, wondering why he existed. The landscape could richly afford to do without him.

A Libel on the Rook.

Rooks are often confounded with Crows by the uninitiated, for, though a Rook has a whitish spot at the base of its bill and a crow has not, they look in a general way alike. To call a Rook a Crow is to commit a base libel concerning a decent bird. That they are in any real way related, I find most difficult to believe. The naturalists say that they are of the same family, and I can only remark in this connection that branches of the same family are quite often as different from each other as chalk is from cheese. Both Rook and Crow are black, and both are shaped in the same way. But in character they are poles apart. Rooks are sociable beings who live in colonies. Crows are Ishmaelish bird-ruffians who keep to themselves. The reason of this is doubtless because the other birds find that their room is much better than their company.

If you were to see a Rook and a Crow together you would never afterwards mistake one for the other. The difference, though subtle, is distinct. The Crow wears a predatory, down-at-heel air. He has the appearance of a black pirate who doesn't worry about keeping himself clean.

His language is limited. It is composed of but three words or "caws." Compared with him a Rook has quite an extensive vocabulary. He varies his "caws." Living in community has developed his conversational powers.

Poor Rooks! They are often blamed for the villainies committed by the Crows. My sympathies go out to them, especially when the Rook-pie season comes round.

Intellectual Villainy.

Another bird whose character is of the villainous order is the Cuckoo. The Cuckoo of the female persuasion evades the responsibility of bringing up her young. She usually lays her eggs in the nest of the Hedge-sparrow, a little bird who is the proud possessor of more industry than intelligence. The egg of the Cuckoo, I may say, is very small when you come to consider the size of the bird. Its length is more than double that of the confiding Hedge-sparrow.

This laying of small eggs is, of course, a sign of intellect on the part of the Cuckoo. But, as everyone knows, the possession of intellect by no means entails the possession of goodness. Intellectual people are sometimes villains of a frightful order. The Cuckoo lays these small eggs the more easily to deceive the innocent little Hedge-sparrows who work from dawn to dark, gathering insects for the young villains of Cuckoos at the expense of their own young.

Though the Hedge-sparrow is the usual victim of this wily and unnatural bird, there are, I am sorry to have to remark, others. The Cuckoo will patronise the nest of almost any bird, though it prefers the nests of those that are insectivorous. It knows that a diet of insects is the best for the favourable development of the baby Cuckoos.

Whenever I hear the song of the Cuckoo I am moved to righteous wrath. The notes are beautiful and tender. It is hard to believe that such sounds could come from the throat of so despicable a character. It is true that the male bird does not commit the actual crime of laying the eggs in the nests of other birds. But he is an aider and an abettor and a full accomplice.

Another bird of a very bad character is the Red-backed Shrike. His crimes run not on the lines of cunning exploitation. They are crimes of ferocity and cold cruelty. He has what might be called a Chinese sense of torture. His prey consists of lizards and frogs and small birds and mice, and humble bees and large insects generally. He often impales these unfortunate little beings on thorns, so that he may devour them at his leisure. The country people give him various sinister nick-names which more or less fit him. One of these is "Murdering Pie." He is not given to singing, but when he is kept in a cage he will sometimes imitate what musical sounds he hears.

The Benefit of the Doubt.

Whether the Sparrow Hawk can be called a villain or not I don't quite know. But if he be a villain he is at least a straight and honest one. There is neither guile nor hypocrisy about him. He is a killer who kills whatever and whenever he can. He is not very popular in the farmyard, for good and sufficient reasons. But though the farmers do not regard him with a comfortable eye, the naturalists do. For, according to them, he is one of Nature's balance-keepers.

This is all very well, but when the Sparrow Hawk destroys your chicks or your pigeons it is but icy comfort to be told that he makes up for it by destroying something else. It is a kind of logic that does not appeal strongly to the human mind. Keeping the balance is all very well if it is not kept at your expense. Such is the way that the farmer is apt to look at it.

Still the Sparrow Hawk is a most beautiful bird to see. It is an ideal embodiment of the fighting instinct. It is strange how the sight of a perfect being of combat appeals to something foundational in our nature. The nest of the Sparrow Hawk is made of twigs and is shallow. It builds in trees in remote places, or on high rocks near the sea.

I would like to speak of another bird I know. He is not a villain, but I fear he is a ruffian. It is the Robin.

Perhaps I ought not to mention him in connection with birds whom I consider to be villains, but I think that he is a bit of a ruffian all the same. I must confess to a great liking for him, though at the same time I have to admit that he is a hectorer and a bully. The stout Robin, who calls to see me every day, sets no store upon the adage of live and let live. He stands in the midst of the morsels I lay down for all my bird guests, and he won't allow them to approach. It is only when he has gone that my other guests dare come. I believe he would take everything off with him if he could.

He is not a villain, of course. But that he is a ruffian is plain.

Norwich Plainheads and their Show Deportment.

The Importance of Training.

BY E. W. ALLSOPP, CARDIFF.

(*Continued from page* 259).

ALTHOUGH I was a stranger, here were birds, many never having been to a show, that did not mind the look of me a little bit, nor anybody else. Stock cocks and hens, flying in groups in large flight cages, were coaxed to a perch by themselves, again the cane; and open doors, and "Hey, Presto!" they were showing me their very best in the show cage. Not a sick or sorry bird in the room, every bird upon the top notch of health and condition, and in full possession of the senses. The £6 spent, I can truly say, was "bread cast upon the waters," and it has returned to me manifold, as I think it may do with any reader who will practise such methods as are really necessary.

The Value of an Extra Door.

The cages generally were of the usual type, but all the wire fronts possessed not only the usual sliding door, but also a swing door, this being situated in the middle division, and opening direct upon the left-hand perch. Whilst the birds can be trained by tapping to "run," as it is generally termed, from the perch to the floor of the cage, and thence into the show cage, I nevertheless find in practice that the training of the birds to leave the perch and hop through the swing door is easier to bring about.

Having bred some youngsters, training operations should commence at the most impressionable age, which, I think, is between five and eight weeks. Before that age they do not seem to have "all their buttons," whilst if they are older than seven or eight weeks you will find 'tis you who need all your buttons on.

Let me at once say the whole business is just a game of patience with a big dash of determination, and with due recognition of this, you will not view the matter as a relaxation. For the preliminary lessons, if I could have my way, I should choose nice, quiet Sunday afternoons, after the Salvation Army band has finished, and steer for the drawing-room with my bag of tricks, consisting of a single breeding cage, containing the family of youngsters, a clean show cage, a cane about twelve inches long, and nobody else, not even the dog, for it would not do to release your pent-up feelings in a good, hearty kick, all because of the bird-training.

In Strictest Seclusion.

Now, having drawn the lace curtains, so that inquisitive folk opposite can only study the pattern, arrange the breeding cage containing the family at a convenient height when sitting (and if I were you I should sit down to it), and in a manner that the youngsters can only just see to hop from perch to perch, whereas the show cage, when held to the open door of the breeding cage, is in full light, and facing yourself. Remember what you are about to attempt is to encourage the birds to lose all fear of yourself and everybody else, so that every opportunity should be given the birds of undertaking everything they do in full view of yourself.

Having got nicely settled, single out in your mind the youngster to first enjoy your patronage, and then stick to him closer than a brother. Gently intrude the cane behind him, and by gentle movements, and lots of quiet talking, endeavour to persuade him to enter the show cage. When accomplished, close both doors quietly, and then gently tap with the finger nails "See the conquering hero comes" upon the bottom of the cage, with variations if you like, and after a few minutes run him back and try another.

Once you have gained each bird's confidence, which should have been accomplished by the time the birds are six weeks old, the rest is easy, for it amounts to just regularly running out each bird each day, and giving the most promising frequent spells of a day or so in the show cage. The real secret appears to be in bringing about a sense of security in the bird, or a feeling of being quite at home, either in the stock or show cage, and, of course, such can only be brought about by the regularly carrying out a programme right through the moult, and almost to the eve of the show.

In conclusion, I will ask my readers, most of whom are, I hope, working towards the show bench, to compare the chances of an exhibitor's birds well trained, with those of even birds better in fancy points, but which reach the show bench and stand before the judge filled with terror and apprehension for their safety.

A Ridiculous Spectacle.

At the present season of the year we may see to what a ridiculous spectacle our best show cock or hen can be reduced by the subtle workings of the pairing or breeding fever. As we see the cock bird vibrating and swaying with passionate singing to his mate, we wonder what has become of that nice, round, full skull of a few months ago, also where is that cobbiness which pleased us so.

In place of that lovely type and neatness everywhere we see a Yorkshire-cum-Scotch Fancy, with rows of tucks and flounces of feathers. Disappeared absolutely have all the points that gained many a first and special, and, mark me well, so disappears absolutely your chance of a first and special when showing an untrained bird against those who have been well trained, for as surely as the breeding fever will consume the fancy points of the apple of your eye, so surely also will fear, apprehension, etc., absorb those desirable features. Therefore, train the youngsters in the way they should go is the moral of the story.

ARE OUR JUDGING METHODS ANTIQUATED?

By R. BLINCOE (Rochdale).

A well-known fancier suggests points judging as an innovation that would add interest to our hobby, and help on the novices.

THE short article which I wrote some two years ago advocating judging by points was only a general view of the possibilities, and I was disappointed that none had any suggestions to offer for improving on the crude idea. I then determined to get the thing tried in practice, to see if it were workable. My surprise at the lack of interest shown quickly disappeared when I came to push the matter personally among my acquaintances, for I soon found what a very conservative body bird fanciers are. The amount of cold water poured on me at first was enough to have floated a decent-sized ship, and the most extraordinary misconceptions and prejudices seemed to prevail all round; even old friends whom I knew were well disposed towards me carefully avoided catching my eye, or tactfully plunged into some discussion as far removed from "brids" as possible, presumably with the object of preventing my making an ass of myself and putting them to the pain of having to tell me so.

A Full Explanation Makes Friends.

Nevertheless, I felt pretty confident, and after a while I found that many began to look more favourably on the matter when fully explained. I have now a number of friends who are quite with me in a determination to push it forward, and I think that an account of the difficulties already got over would go a long way towards clearing up wrong ideas.

In the first place I found that some of the people who favoured the scheme proved its worst enemies; one society not a thousand miles from here jumped rashly into it without any previous consideration, tried it under a judge who was strongly prejudiced against it, and of course made a hopeless mull of it. I should never for a moment advocate its general adoption all at once, but it could be gradually introduced for very mixed classes, best bird in show, and similar things, until it began to get over the initial difficulties inseparable from any radical alterations in method. When it began to work smoothly it could then be extended.

My first experience of it personally was at a judging competition, for which I may say it is absolutely the best possible method of educating the novice in the art of taking into consideration the all round excellence of a bird and giving each point its proper value. Here we found difficulty No. 1. We originally gave the points for good qualities, which was reversing the natural way in which most men judge a bird, that is, by picking out its failings, so at the next affair of the kind we deducted points for weaknesses instead, and found this method much more successful. Still, there were too many figures for the average man, and finally we devised a judging card for the Norwich Canary. In this we set out the points adopted by the Norwich Plainhead Club, which are as follows:—Head, 15; neck, 10; back, 10; chest, 15; wings, 10; tail, 5; legs and feet, 5; quality, 15; colour, 15.

Opposite the characteristics for which 15 points were allowed for perfection we put the following deductions: absolutely bad, 15; only fair, 10; good, 5; with intermediate deductions of 12½, 7½, and 2½ respectively. For the qualities with 10 points we made the respective deductions 10, 7, and 3½, with intermediate penalties of 8½, 5, and 2; while for the 5-point qualities the deductions were to be 5, 3, and 1½, with intermediates of 4, 2, and ½. The card when printed appeared like this:—

Scale of Deductions for faults in any point.

Maximum Points as per scale	Bad to Bad	Fair to Fair	Very good to good	Excellent
15 Head	15 12½	10 7½	5 2½	0
15 Chest	15 12½	10 7½	5 2½	0
15 Colour	15 12½	10 7½	5 2½	0
15 Quality	15 12½	10 7½	5 2½	0
10 Neck	10 8½	7 3½	3½ 2	0
10 Backs	10 8½	7 3½	3½ 2	0
10 Wings	10 8½	7 3½	3½ 2	0
5 Tails	5 4	3 2	1½ 1	0
5 Legs and Feet	5 4	3 2	1½ 1	0

Maximum 100; Deductions ; Net Points

On the back were printed instructions to this effect: "For each bird set down a figure, as on other side, to be deducted for imperfections in any characteristic. Add up the figures, deduct the total from 100, and the balance is the number of points to which the bird is entitled."

Applying the system to an individual specimen of which it might have been said, "head, good; neck, between good and fair; back, excellent; chest, fair; wings, bad; tail, good; legs and feet, excellent; quality, good; colour, fair," we found the deductions to be 5, 5, 0, 10, 10, 1½, 0, 5, 10; total, 46½. This, deducted from 100, left the bird with a balance of 53½ points. Other birds in the class were treated similarly, and the resultant figures clearly pointed out their order of merit.

(*To be continued.*)

Correspondence.

Birds in the Firing Line.

Sir,—The following is an extract from a letter to his mother of a nephew of mine, a member of the Queen Victoria Rifles, who is fighting at the Front in France. It might interest some of your readers. "By the way, only a few yards behind the trenches we found a Canary, a beauty in full plumage, singing at the top of his voice on top of a bush; shells and bullets whizzing all round it. It is quite 'pally,' and still sits there and sings. Uncle Dick would like to know this bit." T. R. Trower.

Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrid.

Reported Successful Breeding in a Darvel Aviary.

Sir,—In September, 1913, there appeared the following letter in the magazine "Countryside": "I send you herewith a photo of a bird I reared this season in my little aviary. It is the offspring of a male Thrush and hen Blackbird. I reared both the parents from nestlings, the Thrush being now seven years old and the Blackbird one year old. The Mule was hatched on June 6, and left the nest on the evening of June 19. The mother fed it all the time until it was able to look after itself. I never once saw the Thrush attempting to feed it. The markings upon it resemble the Thrush, but it is much darker in colour. A friend of mine photographed it for me with great difficulty. It was much alarmed at a stranger entering the aviary, as you will see by its appearance.—David M. Bell."

If this account of the breeding of the Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrid is correct, it would appear to disqualify your correspondent "Hybrid" for the silver medal.

H. Classey.

Sir,—Many thanks for your kind reply to my letter re rare Hybrid bred in my aviary. I am pleased to say the youngsters seem to be doing all right still, and they are ten days old to-morrow, May 12. I would here formally make application for your valuable Cage Birds Breeders' Prize, and herewith enclose a certificate signed by Mr. Hopkins, the President of our Association, who is quite an authority on British Birds. If the young Hybrids are successfully fledged I will try and write you an account of the breeding and rearing of them. Meantime let us hope they may be successfully reared. Again thanking you for your kind letter, and wishing Cage Birds all success.

T. H. Anderson.

Sir,—I hereby beg to certify that I have seen the young Hybrids bred in Mr. Anderson's aviary, and that they are certainly Hybrids, there not being a Blackbird cock in the aviary. I would certainly say that the most likely mating would be with the Song Thrush, it being the only large British Bird except a Corn Bunting in the collection. Nicol C. Hopkins.

The Feeding of Lories.

The Marquis of Tavistock Gives Also Some Valuable Hints on the Treatment of Sunbirds.

Sir.—Mr. E. J. Brook is right in assuming that the ingredients of the Marmite food I offered my Lorikeets were not mixed in the proportions he suggests, and this, together with the fact that I left out the Horlick's Malted Milk, may account for my failure to induce the birds to take to it.

I used to feed my Sunbirds on a mixture consisting of a teaspoonful of honey, a teaspoonful each of Mellin's food and condensed milk, and the insides of 3 or 4 mealworms, stirred up together in half a teacup of very hot (not boiling) water. Two black grapes also were given daily to each bird. The result was most satisfactory, and I have been complimented on the unusually fine condition of my birds by aviculturists, whose own experience of Honey-eaters has been very great, and who have had many successes on the show-bench. Sunbirds should have their baths fixed to the perches, as they never willingly descend to the ground.

It is very important also to cage them separately as soon as they begin to quarrel, for, as a family, they are very quarrelsome when in really good condition, and it is usually unwise to keep on a cock and hen of the same species in one cage of ordinary dimensions. When breeding is attempted, it is best to put the cock with the hen in a very large cage or in an aviary some time before the beginning of the nesting season. If he is already in full breeding condition when the hen is introduced, he will probably either kill her outright or so torment her that her health will suffer severely.

Tavistock.

"Cage Birds" at the Front.

A Great Harwood Reader Helps a Soldier Fancier.

Sir,—Every six weeks I forward six copies of your paper, Cage Birds, to one of our soldiers at the front, which I can assure you he thoroughly enjoys. I have one or two letters from him showing that they make him interested in the birds he sees at the front, but up to yet he has failed to come across any of the Dutch Frill breeders among our Allies. He hopes to do so yet, and he proposes letting me have all details as time goes on, if spared, of anything of note in the Cage Bird Fancy. I am keeping all his birds for him, breeding for him, and hope I may have a good stock ready for him when he comes home again. Should he write anything of interest, will write you for publication, for the benefit of good old Cage Birds. I may say that I am doing very well in the breeding, in fact I don't think I have ever had a better start in first round before. I am getting plenty of young. A. Bentley.

The Clashing of Society Meetings.

Sir,—I see in your last week's issue that the sec. of South Moor Social F.F.C.B.S. complains of club secs. calling meetings on the same night as they hold their meetings, and he says it is the reason they had a bad turn up. Now I am the only member who was at the East Stanley F.F.C.B.S. meeting, that is a member of the South Moor Social F.F.C.B.S., and I am sec. of the East Stanley society. I cannot see why he should have sent a report like this to Cage Birds.

J. Armitage.

Chickweed Better than Watercress for Young Canaries.

Sir,—I was wondering if fanciers generally realised the value of chickweed as a green food in the rearing of young Canaries. I have bred Canaries for a good few years, and at one time thought I could not rear any birds unless I used watercress as a green food. With about twenty pairs of birds I found this meant quite a shilling a week for watercress alone; I also found it was rather difficult to get it fresh in hot weather. But for several years now I have used only chickweed, and I find the old birds like it, and feed well with it; it seems to suit the young A1. Of course, as I live in the country and have no difficulty in getting it, whereas town folks no doubt can get watercress much more easily, but where it can be got for nothing, now that times are bad, it would mean a bit saved perhaps which would help the seed bill. Fanciers should make sure when getting chickweed that the flower is white, as there is a similar weed which has a blue flower. I like the seedy chickweed that has been grown on a poor soil best, as it does not grow quite so rank.

Chickweed.

A Caged Song Thrush Adopts a Foster Child.

Sir,—I have a cock Thrush, wild caught last autumn, and a grand songster. On May 5th I was out for a stroll, and I brought home a nest of Thrushes, some of which bolted from the nest. I put them in a cage and fed them, but gradually lost them except one. I hung both this and my old bird on a fence, but one day I put one cage on the fence and the other on opposite wall, and soon after I heard the cock make a calling noise and saw him with food in his beak. I thought possibly I had disturbed him when feeding, but I noticed this several times during the day. The next day he was again carrying food about, and I thought perhaps he wanted to feed the young one, so I put the young one into his cage and he immediately fed it, and has done so since. If I put in a snail he will not let the young one have it until he has thoroughly cleaned it by rubbing to and fro on the bottom of cage, shaking it, and knocking on perch. If the young one comes for it before it is ready, he goes for it and they have a scrap up, after which he goes on cleaning it. When it is ready the young one opens his mouth and he puts it well down the throat, and then prepares another until he has satisfied it for the time being. Has anyone had a similar experience? I have not heard him sing since he has had the young one to rear.

F. J. Weaire.

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When Collecting Ants' Eggs and Wasp Grubs.

Sir,—I should be extremely obliged if any reader of Cage Birds could give me information as to the taking of ants' and wasps' nests, the month when ready, the precautions necessary to prevent stings and bites, and the preserving of eggs and grubs.

S. Richards.

A Cage Bird Society for Pontypool.

Sir,—A meeting was held on May 15, in Park Restaurant, Commercial Street, at which Mr. H. H. Vaughan was elected to the chair (pro tem.), and Mr. C. Pearce kindly consented to take notes of the business. After it had been decided that the name of the society should be The Pontypool and Dist. C.B.S., and membership open to Monmouth, the chairman gave an able address on the aims and objects of the society. Eleven members were elected, and several said that there had been a long felt want of a society of the description in Pontypool, all expressing their willingness to do their utmost to make the society successful. Mr. W. Amphlett was elected chairman, Mr. C. Pearce treasurer; committee, Mr. A. Nelms, Mr. J. A. Clark, and Mr. C. Gameson; the remainder of the committee will be elected at the next meeting, May 29. After considerable difficulty in getting a sec., the writer was prevailed upon to accept the position. We expect to have a few more members at our next meeting.

H. H. Vaughan,
Kelvinside, Wainfelin, Pontypool.

Wild Birds with Rings.

Send Particulars When Found.

Sir,—Most of your readers will be aware of my scheme, connected with the magazine "British Birds," for ringing wild birds. Briefly, the idea is to place a ring round the leg of as many birds as possible. On each ring is inscribed my name and address, and a number. Each number is entered in a schedule, and full details of the date and place of ringing are kept. It has come to my knowledge that sometimes people who find these rings, or capture or shoot the birds, are afraid to give information for fear of prosecution. I should like to be allowed to state that the scheme is solely for scientific purposes; it has already produced results of great value; and I will guarantee that no information will be made use of for any other purpose than a scientific one. I sincerely hope that all your readers who find birds with these rings will communicate the number of ring, species of bird, date and place where found.

H. F. Witherby,
Editor of "British Birds."
326, High Holborn, W.C.

Ringed Starling Reported.

Sir,—We caught a Starling this morning in the Aeroplane Depot, Grand Stand, Newcastle. It was a fine specimen, and had a ring on its leg worded "Witherby, High Holborn, London. Number 84179." I have notified the above firm. Wishing Cage Birds every success. G. Ashton.

Awarding Cups and Medals.

Sir,—In answer to the very able letter by Mr. Morton dealing with the above subject, the example he gives of a cup competed for on lines somewhat similar to what I suggest is not a fair one. In the first place, fancy any rational society allowing one competitor to put six birds in one class and without competiton to count all the points. I have heard there was a rush on the Liverpool bird market a few days before that particular show. In my opinion, no class should count points unless there are three competitors, and not less than four entries. Again, British should not be allowed to count points against Canaries. If there are many exhibitors of British birds in a society, they should have a cup solely for Britishers. The reason I suggested shows throughout the season is there are one or two societies in the Liverpool district who run two or three old bird shows in a season, besides Nest Feather shows. I quite agree with Mr. Morton that the Nest Feather shows should not count for specials or cups. His idea concerning the entry forms is a capital one. All the entry forms should be sent in and opened in front of the committee and secretary at a stated time; and I would add "all entries arriving after the specified time to be returned." The only unkind cut in Mr. Morton's letter is contained in the last few sentences, when he chides me for not running with the majority. I would like to tell him I am not up against any society or fellow fancier. My only desire is by friendly discussion to improve the social as well as the financial position of our local societies. There are some real fine sportsmen amongst the Liverpool fanciers, and if they would give their views on the subject it would benefit the Fancy generally.

Geo. Rawsthorne.

Wagtails in Ireland.

Sir,—It might interest Cage Birds readers to hear that last November I saw a beautiful pair of Yellow Wagtails feeding in the yard when the fowls were fed. To-day I saw them in the garden with four lovely young ones, just out of the nest. I did not know the Yellow Wagtail wintered here (South of Ireland).

Shama.

[The birds were probably Grey Wagtails, which are common resident birds in Ireland. The Yellow Wagtail is migratory, it does not remain in Great Britain after September, and is at no time common in Ireland. The species resemble each other sufficiently closely as to be easily mistaken by a casual observer.—Editor, Cage Birds.]

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—I don't wish to defend myself against misrepresentations; when there are three dogs biting at one bone it is a bit rough on the bone. But I should like to say a few words regarding the letters of last week. "Patrick" doesn't seem to like the gruel I meted out to him. Probably he forgets the way he swallowed up Messrs. Blake and Hainsworth. I suppose he thought he was going to do the same with me, but I am not so easily swallowed up. His letter is there for all the Fancy to see. I know what he said, and I know what he meant. It is a great pity anyone should contradict him at all. He said as a Canary-Bullie the bird had been considerably overrated, but if he will read Mr. Craig's letter he will see that he says "What a fine noble bird it is. Dark Canary-Bullfinches were weeds in comparison to this bird, and the Greenie-Bullies weren't in it for size and substance." Regarding the £5 he makes so much shout about, it is absurd to wager on such a bird, as the correspondence is headed "When Judges Disagree." I would put £5 down if I could have my own judge, and I suppose Mr. Craig would do the same. Patrick goes on to say I have done more harm to the bird than anyone else. I fail to see it; my letter was a plain open letter, no sarcasm to anyone, and yet I had to be swallowed up "Patrick" is the one who has tried to do the bird harm. Does he think by saying it has been considerably overrated, badly splashed, etc., he has done the bird some good? If he does, I don't. His letters from the start have been full of nothing but sarcasm. I have read every word of the discussion, and I know everything that is worth knowing about the bird. And if you aren't Irish, "Patrick," you shouldn't christen yourself. "Pat." You ought to call yourself "Red Rose" or "Scotch Thistle"; you would be nearer the mark.

"Mansfield" seems to know more about my stock and my abilities than I do myself, but for his eulightenment I will just say that I have kept British Hardbills and Softbills for over twenty years, so I think I have served my apprenticeship by now. At the present time I have British and Foreign Hardbills and Softbills, ranging from a Linnet to Sunbirds, and also Mules, so I don't think I shall require any of "Mansfield's" information. I notice because Mr. Craig has spoken he is beginning to climb down like a good boy. Did not his secretary at the commencement of the controversy state what the bird was bred from? I suppose he has forgotten, but I have not. I know there are some good Canary men in and about Mansfield, and probably one of the best in England, but when you've said that you're done. What he knows about me or my stock he will soon forget. I should like to inform him I have bred Hybrids, and I know as much about the discussion as he does. In reply to "Hyson Green" I will say this is the limit. Fancy a man living in the same town as myself writing to Cage Birds, when he could argue the point with me personally. Let me tell you, Hyson Green, that I can speak for myself. I never said the bird was a Greenie-Bullie at all, and I neither want your advice nor Mansfield's. What a fine noble lot of fellows you are to be sure, only one out of all the lot dare publish his name! If you'll read my letter again you'll have a very difficult job to find where I made anyone look small. J. W. Saywell.

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Club Reports.

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SPENNYMOOR.

Linnet singing contest will be held at Mr. Hughes' Butcher's Arms, Merrington Lane, May 22. Meet two o'clock. Fairless, judge. Also meeting to form club at 7.—Wm. Fairless, Sec.—(Advt.)

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge St., May 15, for four prizes for four minutes time singing; 1, Watkiss; 2, Nelson; 3, Morley; 4, Wainwright. Open sing May 16 for three prizes; 1, Nelson; 2, Caddy; 3, Watkiss.—S. Morley, Sec.

WIGAN.

Wigan Linnet Club singing contest, Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, May 15; 27 birds were staged, and some good singing was heard. Quality: 1, T. Statham; 2, Page; 3, J. Statham. Time: 1, R. Statham, 165secs.; 2, 3, Fairhurst, 141, 89.—A. Leyland Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, May 15; 26 birds sang; 1, Wigfield; 2, Lorriman; 3, Turner; 4, Parkinson. Judges, C. Lorriman, N. Solman; A. Bryan, timekeeper. May 16, 32 birds sang; 1, Lorriman; 2, Wigfield; 3, Hayes; 4, Turner. Judges, P. Madden, N. Solman. Timekeeper, A. Bryan.—A. Bryan, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-rd., Open Contest for quality Linnet singing, May 15; 35 birds sang for 3 prizes: 1, Ward; 2, Longfield; 3, shared Towers and Richardson. Judges, Naylor and Lacey. May 16: 41 sung for 4 prizes: 1, S. Johnson; 2, W. Sissons; 3, Chippendale; 4, Butler. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor, Thompson.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing May 15, 41 birds entered for four minutes' sing for three prizes; the largest number of birds entered this year, and it looks like a record entry for Whit Saturday, our members' special sing. 1, 3, Cooper; 2, Collinson. Only 2 ties, divided 2nd and 3rd. Tappers, A. Cooper, W. Perkin. Timekeepers, J. Cooper, O. Potters.—R. Plows, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Hosefair, Club Sing, May 15; 42 birds entered for four prizes, four minutes' time singing: 1, Nelson, 118; 2, Beard, 113; 3, Jones, 97; 4, Pugh, 75. Open Sing, May 16; 47 entered for four prizes, three minutes time singing: 1, Beard, 93; 2 Scotson 85; 3, 4, Pugh, 84, 75.—S. Pugh, Sec.

HINDSFORD.

Open contest for time and quality, Hindsford Inn, May 8; 22 birds entered for four minutes sing; 1, Fairhurst, 115; 2, Knowles, 101; 3, R. Statham. Quality: 1, Holcroft; 2, T. Statham; 3, Whittle. Judges, J. W. Jones, R. Holcroft; timers, J. Litherland, R. Fairhurst; tappers, Hailiwell. Barnish. Next open contest for time and quality, June 6.—J. Fairhurst, Sec. z

LEIGH.

Globe Inn Linnet Club, Members' Contest, May 15, for time and quality; 22 birds staged, 3 minutes sing: 1, R. Statham, 93; 2, T. Statham, 43; 3, Rigby, 30. Quality: 1, Page; 2, 3, Jones. Timers, R. Statham, J. R. Disley. Minute-man, W. Meadows. Judges, T. Statham and J. Statham. Next Onen Contest, May 29, for time and quality.—Robt. Disley, Hon. Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Commercial Inn, New Street, Lark contest May 15, with a very good company, but some very bad singing. Seven minutes time singing, to sing 30 secs. before count. Dodd, 1min. 35sec.; Coles, 33sec.; Fysher, 33sec. May 16, 13 Linnets competed for four prizes for 4min. time sing; 1, Hardman, 2min. 39sec.; 2, Jones, 2.56; 3, Dodd, 2.20; 4, Jones, 1.27. Special prize for lowest singer above 5sec.: Sills, 6sec.—Hardman, Sec.

The Shows.

PORTMADOC.

Thirty-first annual show, The Park, Portmadoc, May 14, favourable weather prevailing throughout the day. Goldies were the biggest class, and some toppers were shown. Foreign were satisfactory; all the others were down in numbers, and the Yorks class was cancelled. The leading Norwich were of the first water. Mr. D. R. Evans got through the secretarial duties once more in a very capable manner. Judge, Mr. D. Griffiths (Llanelly).

NOR.: 1, 2, W. H. Williams, leader the well known four-pointed in capital order; 2nd unflig. cl. yell., good type and subs., grand head and neck, short flights and tail, good col., full of qual.; 3, John Owen, uneven mkd., nice type and col., neat feather. BORD.: 1, Morris Jones, cl. yell., typical, nice size and pose, jaunty carr., good col. and feather. 1914: 1, W. H. Williams, 2nd in open Nor.; 2, 3, John Owen, Nor., nice type and col., neat feather. MULE: 1, J. R. Davies, good Greenf. Mule, nice size, good col. and cond.; 2, Pugh, variegated Goldf., nice size, showing parentage well; 3, Hughes Bros., Goldf.-Bullf., nice size and col. GOLDF.: 1, W. H. Williams, immense size, good flush face, rare tan and markings, superb form; 2, vhc, J. O. Williams, medium size, good tan and buttons, beaten blaze; 3, Hughes Bros., grand Finch, good size great width of skull, rich coloured blaze, we made 2nd; he, Wilson. A.O. HARD: 1, 2, Wilson, good sized Hawfinch, rich col., rather unsteady yet; 2, Chaffinch, rare size and col. FOR.: 1, 3, Harrison, good Alexandrian Parrakeet; 3rd a neat Domino Finch; 2, Margaret Edwards, good green Amazon. GOLDF. NOV. (ten miles radius): 1, J. R. Davies; 2, H. Roberts; 3, D. S. Williams.

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STRATFORD & EAST LONDON F.S.

Evening show at Eagle, Chobham Road, Stratford, May 12. Judge, Mr. W. Dalton. Yorks Cock: 1, sp, res, vhc, Parker; 2, 3, hc, c, Bayliss. A.O.V. Can.: 1, 3, Parker; 2, r, Bayliss, Siskin; 1, vhc, Bayliss; 2, res, Rev. Soames; 3, Parker. Linnet, etc.: 1, hc, Parker; 2, 3, Bayliss; res, vhc, Rev. Soames. A.O.V.: 1, sp, c, Parker; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Bayliss; res, Rev. Soames.—A. Wasey, Hon. Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Monthly table show headquarters, May 12, for British only. Judge, Mr. C. Pearson. Best Brit. in show, Gibb (Greenf.). Winners of 1sts, Gibb (2), Greenf., Chaffinch; Goble, Bullf.; Miss Mantell, Linnet. 2nds: Gibb, Yellow Bunting; Miss Mantell, Goldf. Mr. James afterwards lectured on British birds and answered many questions. Altogether an enjoyable and instructive evening was spent by the goodly number of members present. Mr. James hopes to lecture at the June meeting on mule and hybrid breeding.—W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

Club Reports.

BLANTYRE O.S.

Meeting, Mr. Struthers', April 24, Mr. A. Marshall chair. Decided to take Bothwell into our boundaries. F.F. Show to be held in Mr. Blackley's Hall, July 3, at 4. Annual Show fixed Nov. 6; judge, Mr. John McLay (Kerkintilloch). Next meeting May 29, to elect judges for F.F. show. This being the closing meeting for taking new members, I should be pleased to hear from fanciers in the district wishing to join. Subs. are now due.—D. Berry, Sec., 129, Main-st., High Blantyre.

CRYSTAL PALACE & PENGE C.B.S.

Meeting, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, May 12. After usual business we had a pleasant evening asking and answering questions. Quite a volley of questions were answered to the satisfaction of the members by Messrs. Foxen, Fairman and Hutton. It was decided to convey the congratulations of the members to the members serving with H.M. forces, wishing them all a safe return; amongst them are our president, Mr. O. Stone, Messrs. Baker, Dyer, Rogers, etc.—W. D. Fryett.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting Oldham Hall, Mr. J. Abbott chair, fair attendance. Mr. Mundell was elected to judge annual show in Nov. A meeting of delegates re amalgamated show will be held May 31, 8, at Messrs. Bunner's, Brownlow Hill. The chief item of the evening was a lecture on colour feeding by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, which proved both interesting and instructive. Questions being invited, the members took full advantage, and Mr. Metcalfe was equal to the occasion. We were specially honoured by the presence of our worthy president, Mr. W. R. Knowles. Next meeting N.F. night show, which we hope will be a success. Local fanciers are cordially invited.—Thos. R. Jones.

BORDER CITY (Carlisle) O.S.

Meeting headquarters, May 5, Mr. G. Higgins chair. It had been proposed at an earlier meeting that we should try to obtain silver cups for each section at our annual show; Borders, Nor., Yorks, Mules, Brit., For., by means of private subs. among members' friends. These subs. have come in wonderfully well, and the order for the cups has been given. These should stimulate competition amongst fanciers, as we will now have a grand array to offer. Nine cups at a provincial show of six years standing is a credit to any society, but as we stick to the motto of our ancient city ("Be just and fear not") in all our undertakings we are never wanting in friends. Classification: Borders 18 classes, Nor. 14, Yorks 11, A.O.V. 1, Hyb. 5, Brit. 14. For. left over for later consideration. Sec. was instructed to apply for patronage of B.F.C.C., O.N.P.C., Y.C.C., N.B.F.C.C., N.Y.C.C., N.N.P.C., N.B.B.M. and F.B.C., C. and W.Y.C.C. Decided to hold young bird shows in July and on August Bank Holiday. First ramble of the season May 23.—J. C. Bell.

SHETTLESTON CARNTYNE C.B.S

Monthly meeting, Houstan's Tea Rooms, May 15. An excellent turnout of members showed the interest taken in this new club. Three new members joined and 7 proposed, bring the membership up to almost incredible figures. Mr. A. Hendrie is giving a medal to the member who has most new members to his credit at the end of the year. Another cup is being presented to the club for competition at our annual show, and the Sec. is giving a medal to novice with most entries at our F.F. show, and 3 specials for the same are also promised. Judging by reports of members this promises to be one of the largest and finest F.F. shows held in the district. There are 143 young birds among the members present for the first round. Proposed to have open classes at Anual Show; was left over until next meeting. The meeting closed with expressions of sorrow and sympathy to Mr. J. Ward, Mrs. Ward and family through the loss of their son, Mr. J. L. Ward, M.A., who lost his life through the sinking of the "Lusitania." An extra promising scholar, a splendid type of manhood, taken away on the eve of a brilliant future.—J. Irvine, Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting, May 10, Church Institute, 60, Paddington-st., Mr. A. W. Curtis chair, and 28 members present. Letters read from Messrs. F. Knight, P. Johnson and A. Watcham. Mrs. A. M Cook was elected a member, and Mr. P. Johnson nominated. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. W. Smith for the generous gift of 10s. towards the Crest Cup. A letter was read from the Sec. of the N.B.B. and M.C. Schedule of Young Bird Show, July 3, drawn up: 27 Canary classes, 2 Hyb., 16 Brit. and 6 For. Results of the British Finch Competition were announced: 1, Chard, 78 points; 2, Offord, 77; 3, Sanders, Ossett, Butterfield, 76. Upon a draw taking place for 3rd prize, A. Ossett was declared the winner. A collection took place for defraying the cost of the wreath sent to the late Mr. Easterling's funeral, the balance of 2s. 6d. over being sent to the widow. Sec. announced the engagement of Miss Maher, whose wedding takes place on June 6, and it was agreed for the secretary to act upon two suggestions made with reference to the event. Mr. G. E. Weston then gave a lecture upon "The Interesting Side of Heredity," in which he dealt with many matters of moment to bird-breeders. At the close questions were asked by many members and satisfactorily answered. A vote of thanks to Mr. Weston for his interesting and instructive lecture was carried with great acclamation. Mr. Weston, in his usual modest way, replied. A vote of thanks to chair closed the meeting.—Victor Wynn, Hon. Sec.

EAST STANLEY F. F. AND C.B.S.

Meeting, May 9, Chairman R. Hart, and a good turn up of members. Judges were elected for show to be held Jan. 15, 1916. Cage birds judge, W. Reed, Sunderland.—J. Armitage, Sec.

COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

Meeting, May 15, Leitch's Burgh Arms, Mr. Sneddon chair, for deciding Yorkshire judge, also annual ramble to Naemoor Estate on May 22. Train leaves Cowdenbeath station 7.10 a.m. A vote of thanks to the Chairman brought the meeting to a close.—F. Baxter, Sec.

BORDER FANCY CLUB.

At the general meeting it was carried that the Committee meet to grant club patronage on last Saturday in August, and it was also agreed that hens be kept separate from cocks in competing in variegated classes, and also to ask for better classification in greens and cinnamons; other conditions as usual. Should any breeders of our favourite wish to become members I should be very pleased to hear from them now, as this is the time for joining. Anyone wishing other information I will be very pleased to answer.—Walter B. Smart, Sec., 13, High-st., Loanhead.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE C.B.S

General meeting, May 6, Shields Cafe, Mr. Tindale chair. Arrangements for N.F. Show of July 3rd were made. Classification: Cl. yell. Nor., cl. buff, A.O. yell., A.O. buff, Crest, C.B., cinn., cl. yell. York., cl. buff, A.O. yell., A.O. buff, cl. yell. Bord., cl. buff., tkd., mkd. or variegated yell., ditto buff, gr. yell., self or foul, ditto buff, cinn., Scotch Fancy, A.O.V. Can., Mule or Hyb., Goldf., Bullf. or Greenf., Linnet II. or F.M., Siskin, Redpoll or Twite, A.O.V. Hardbill, Softbill.; For. seedeater smaller than a Cardinal, ditto or larger, softbill. Judges: Nor. and Brit., Mr. R. Tindale; Bord., Mr. W. Espie; Yorks., Mr. J. Maddison. Subs. are now overdue. Next meeting, June 3, Mr. J. Maddison will give a lecture on "Mule Breeding and Hybridising."—J. W. Reed, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting, May 12, with a good attendance; Mr. Bevan chair. Decided to pay prize money on the sliding scale at our F.F. Show, July 8. Entrance fee, 6d. per bird. Also that cup go for best young bird or Brit. Classes: 3 Nor., 3 Yorks., 3 Bord., 1 A.O.V. Can., 3 Mules, 1 Hyb., 6 Brit. Members please attend next meeting, May 26, at headquarters, and all who have not paid subs. must do so or they will not be allowed to enter for Young Bird Show. Some of you members want waking up a bit, something ought to be done to make you attend meetings. One sees the same faces every time; only a few workers, but a lot of slackers, only coming when there is something to be had. Members please note that I have removed to 15, Aubrey-rd., Glynfach, Porth.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

"A Straight Talk on the Norwich Plainhead," By Mr. Barker Clegg.

Meeting held April 20, Rev. C. E. Gaul presiding. After the usual business, which included the election of two new members, Mr. Barker Clegg was called upon to give his lecture. In opening, Mr. Clegg wished it to be understood that he had no intention whatever of offending anyone, but that he had come to talk straight about the Norwich Plainhead, and straight it would be.

The Norwich Plainhead 30 years ago was the most popular bird on the show bench, Yorkshires being insignificant at that time. The first Open Show held at Manchester was in 1883. From 1871 to 1873 Cayenne feeding was invented, but it was not until about 1880 that it became really popular. There were then classes arranged for colour-fed and natural colour birds. Agitation amongst fanciers brought about a change to natural colour and yellow-fed birds, but at the present time colour-feeding is so popular that birds are of very small consequence without it, although Mr. Clegg believes that colour-feeding has had a detrimental effect on the number of fair fanciers. Lizards used to be brought in for colour, but in doing so size was lost, thereby necessitating double buffing to recover size. Mr. Clegg emphatically stated that the present Norwich Plainhead was a combination of the different birds which we have to-day (Lizard, Lancashire, Crest, etc.). He is, or has been, a member of all these clubs, therefore he was speaking from first-hand information. Twelve years ago a craze for size came into being, when the Norwich Plainhead Club was formed. This sort of thing has gone on until we have at the present birds of irregular type, which is very unsatisfactory. Two or three different types of birds are shown in one class. What is really wanted, says Mr. Clegg, is a universal standard, not what each individual judge fancies. Too much touting for judges was another complaint. Nowadays, he said, we have big, fat, lazy, sulky looking, irregular shaped birds winning on the show bench. Why should this be? Mr. Clegg pleaded for a common standard (see "Our Canaries," page 138); round and full, clear entrance and neat, it being one-half of a bird to have a good entrance; neck short and thick; chest broad and full; wings and tail short; feathers silky; and back well filled in. The only way to get such a type of bird on the benches is that combinations or society members agree amongst themselves to breed only with this specific object, and select judges capable and willing to judge to the standard and to the standard only. Mr. Clegg is of the opinion that the Norwich Plainhead Society has entirely failed in its objects, and has in consequence decreased in its membership. A little advice was given to fanciers attending shows not satisfied with the winning birds. The judge should be questioned, and if capable, the judge ought to be able to say why such particular birds were amongst the cards. No capable judge ought to fear criticism. Mr. Clegg incidentally referred to an incident which occurred at a show in Oldham, at the Wheatsheaf Hotel. He, being the judge, placed a bird, although minus a claw, which could knock spots off any other in the class. One fancier, who was further down in the cards, reprimanded Mr. Clegg for putting what he called half a bird first. The critic was silenced when asked wouldn't he like to swop his whole bird for the half a one.

In answer to questions Mr. Clegg agreed that some good birds had recently been shown on the benches, and that birds may and do alter during the shows. It was also unanimously agreed that judges to a certain extent dare not, for fear of boycott, judge to a standard. Another complaint was that there was a tendency to "look" for birds. Several other questions were very ably dealt with by Mr. Barker Clegg, who responded to a hearty vote of thanks, which brought a most instructive evening to a close.—Thos. Hall, Press Corr.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting, May 13, Mr. Havenhand chair. Decided to alter date of N.F. Show from June 26 to July 10, to avoid clashing with the Sheffield societies' shows. Mr. G. Browning was elected judge. The delegate's report of the business accomplished at the meeting re Amalgamated Show was considered highly satisfactory, and we trust and believe that this fixture will be a signal success.—E. Johnson, Sec.

DERBY C.B.S.

The Committee have decided to open out in organizing lectures for the benefit of the members. The first was held on Saturday, and Mr. J. Heighton, late of Leicester C.B.S. and now a member of the Derby Society, gave a splendid lecture on "Rearing and Feeding of Canaries." Discussion followed, and a vote of thanks was passed to him. It was arranged for the Committee to meet monthly; next meeting, May 27th, 7.30, Normanton Hotel.—F. W. Jordan, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE C.C.

Annual meeting, May 8, Market Tavern, Bradford, Mr. H. H. Towers chair, and only a moderate attendance. Balance sheet adopted, showing a deficit of £2 7s. 8½d. on the year's working, a result accounted for by the number of outstanding subs., amounting to £4 2s. 6d. Decided that members in arrears be reported to the Yorkshire Union, and the other specialist Yorkshire clubs, as per bye-law 14 in the club's Handbook. Result of ballot for officers, 1915-16: Pres., Mr. H. H. Towers; Vice-Pres., Mr. C. Morrison; Committee, inside Yorkshire, Messrs. H. Hill, W. A. Cowgill, L. Dykes, F. Hammond, T. Ogden, H. J. Chittenden, W. H. Shackleton, A. Cooper, W. Cruise and R. Garnett; outside, Messrs. T. C. Crawhall, J. W. Ramsden, A. Hirst, J. W. Metcalfe and T. Rowlands. Additional Committee elected by the meeting, Messrs. F. Armstrong, J. Bailey, J. Chambers, P. Mason, L. C. Casey, E. Clegg, S. Midgley, L. Ogden, G. Snead and H. Simonett; Auditors, Messrs. R. W. Alderson and R. Garnett; Sec. and Treas., J. Greaves; Assist. Sec., W. Crabtree. Owing to the small return (31) of voting papers it was decided in future the election shall be by ballot at annual meeting. Votes of thanks were accorded to retiring officers and donors of special prizes. Mr. C. Morrison proposed and Mr. G. Snead seconded that the sub. for 1915-16 of our late respected member, Mr. F. Easterling, be returned, along with a letter of sympathy with his widow. Five resignations accepted and 13 new members admitted. Decided to continue all the club's competitions in 1915-16. Secs. desiring the club's patronage at their coming shows please apply to John Greaves, 279, Hollings-rd., Bradford.

CINNAMON-MARKED Y.C.C.

Annual general meeting, May 1, Market Tavern, Bradford. Balance sheet for 1914-15, showing a profit of over £3, was read by the Sec. This was considered very good seeing the troublous times we are passing through. Officers elected: Pres., Mr. C. Morrison; Vice-Pres., Mr. A. Brown and Mr. W. Richmond; Committee, Messrs. A. Cooper, W. H. Symer, O. Atkingson, A. Whitley, J. W. Baker, L. C. Casey, A. M. Craven, S. Midgley, F. P. Terry, H. H. Towers, B. Townend, J. E. Hudson, E. Lumb, C. Duckworth, R. Sutcliff, G. Snead, J. Harney, T. Odgen, W. A. Cowgill, W. B. Atkingson; Auditors, Messrs. Firth and Hartley; Sec. and Treas., R. Garnett. It was again decided to have three competitions in connection with the club—Open, Amateur and Novice—the same conditions as last year. Prizes to be fixed later, as we may not get the same support this year as last, but it was hoped that all fanciers who could would help the Committee in their efforts. As the yearly sub. is so very low, 1/6 per year, we have not much to work on just now with time so rough. It was again decided to offer our patronage to societies who make 4 open classes for Cin.-marked Yorks., and to ask societies desiring our patronage to apply as early as possible to help us to get all in working order. In our Novice Competition, which has been confined to Y.U. Novice classes for two years, it was decided that the Sec. write all the Y.U. Show Secs., pressing them to have two Novice classes for Cin.-marks. Mr. Morrison, who had been re-elected as President, thanked the members for their confidence, and also those members who had given the Cin-marked Club money or value towards the special prize list. A discussion took place on the number of Cin.-marked classes which ought to be provided, and the general opinion seemed to be that societies could only expect to get the best out of the Cin-marks by making as extended a classification as possible; the opinion was expressed that the number of breeders of Cin.-marks was on the increase. Votes of thanks to retiring officers and donors of special prizes concluded the meeting. The date of first meeting of Committee was left to Sec. There are still some who have not paid last year's subs. I should like them to forward same as early as possible as I am again preparing a Year Book, but cannot put in their names if they have not paid for last year.—R. Garnett, Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

BREEDING WITH MULE (T.D.S.).—I will not go so far as to say that it is impossible for a Mule to breed, but I do say that it is in the highest degree improbable. As a general rule Mules are sterile, and I do not advise you to mate a Canary with a Linnet Mule if you wish to have a reasonable chance of raising young. Such matings should be only made as experiments, pure and simple, when it is of no great importance whether they succeed or fail.

A BROKEN LEG (C.P.).—You say the leg is broken just above the joint, but omit to say which joint you refer to. If it is the joint where the fleshy part of the leg and also the short downy feathers cease, and the lower part of leg does not hang limp, the best thing you can do is to leave it severely alone, and place the bird in a small cage, with the perches low down, well-fitting, and securely fixed in position, and the food and water placed as convenient as possible for the bird—inside the cage if you can place it so without fluttering the bird about. Keep it thus, and allow it to remain as quiet as possible until it resumes activity and begins to use the injured leg again of its own accord. But if the leg hangs limp it will be necessary to support it on a small splint, made out of some such thing as a match stick padded with wool. It requires some little skill and dexterity to put on this, and the ends of the fractured bone must be gently brought into juxtaposition, with the leg and foot in a normal position before it is secured in position. It is really a job for a medical man or a veterinary surgeon, and unless the bird is sufficiently valuable to warrant placing it in such hands I think it far more merciful to get a chemist to administer a dose of chloroform. Amateur attempts at surgery are not to be commended from a humane standpoint.

DEFECTIVE HIND CLAW (Horseman).—Hold the foot in a saucer of fairly hot water for a minute or two, and then transfer it at once to a saucer of quite cold water for a similar period; repeat these tactics three or four times, and finish up in the cold water. Then dry and gently rub the foot with a little stimulating embrocation, such as Elliman's. Also, for the next few weeks put in the cage small and nearly round perches—about the calibre of an ordinary lead pencil—and see that they are of a nice soft wood, and fixed in the cage securely to prevent any chance of them wobbling about when the bird is on them.

BARE HEAD AND NECK (Manx).—I agree with you, the treatment you refer to is not a pleasant one. It is merely a relic of those dark days when ignorance reigned supreme. The former bird doubtless recovered its plumage in spite of it, rather than on account of its virtues. This bareness is a common trouble, and one most difficult, at times, to remedy. To have a fair chance of success the treatment should coincide with a natural moulting season. Anyway, treat as follows for a couple of months, and if the plumage is not then recovered, repeat the same treatment every alternate month until the moulting season arrives. Every third day, in addition to its staple seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake lightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the intervening days give first in the drinking water ten drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle and broken groats. Give a fair supply of green food in variety daily, and allow the bird to bathe as freely as it likes. During the first month you may slightly moisten the bare skin once a week with a camel-hair brush dripped in vinegar.

DIED YOUNG (H. Garside).—You do not give sufficient particulars to enable me to tell with any confidence what was the cause of the young dying at five days old, notwithstanding that the hen fed them. You make no mention of green food, but say you used egg food only. If this means that you had not begun to give any green food, it is not improbable that the young died as the consequence of congested bowels, which might have been remedied by the judicious use of green food from the third or fourth day after hatching. Try this method with the next brood, with which I think the hen will do much better. I take it that you are quite certain the hen actually fed them, but the failure to increase in size in five days is rather against this theory. Possibly when you thought she was feeding them she was only looking at them and wondering what it all meant.

A WOULD-BE BREEDER (Learner Killie).—It seems to me that the cock could hardly have been in very vigorous health when you mated him, to judge by his behaviour now. Maybe the spell of wretched weather just recently upset both the birds. My advice to you is to avoid launching out extensively this season. Begin in a quite small way, say, with two or three pairs, not necessarily valuable birds, and gain a little experience in managing these before going in for the hobby extensively. In short, learn to walk before you try to run. You should also get a copy of our handbook, "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our manager will send you, post free, for 7d., and follow the directions therein implicitly for this season, and you need not go far wrong, and will accumulate a fund of practical experience that will be invaluable to you in future seasons. It would be impossible to go into useful details here. For the present give, in addition to the staple diet, which should consist of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape, a small teaspoonful of egg food, with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it every second day, and on the alternate days a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and linseed. Give also a young growing stool of dandelion daily—cut off the root just below the surface of the ground, and give it entire, leaves, blooms and seed heads. Treat thus until the hen settles down to nest, or for a month, whichever is the longer period. The birds would certainly be better in another room where the temperature is fairly equable, but free from cold draughts or damp; but it would not be wise to remove them now until the weather is quite settled again.

A TRIO (W. B.).—(1) If the hen Canary has been mated only with the Mule, the chances are very vastly in favour of the eggs being sterile. See reply to "T. D. S." in this issue on this subject. (2) There is no reason whatever why you should not mate the hen with a cock Canary if nothing comes of this attempt, if you wish to do so. She will be quite capable of producing fertile eggs to a Canary or any other Finch that is not a hybrid. (3) No, it is not yet too late to start breeding. There is plenty of time to get one brood, or possibly two, if the birds are ready to set to work at once.

RETURNING COCK (P.C. 495).—It would be most injudicious to return the cock when the young have hatched out, as his disposition is clearly one that is not to be trusted. Your best course is to take him right away out of sight and earshot of the hen until she is ready to begin nesting again, and even then it should be deferred, if possible, until the young are either out of the nest or sufficiently fledged to be able to manage without the hen brooding them, so that you could transfer them to a nursery cage, where the hen, and possibly also the cock, in these circumstances, would feed them all right. If the hen refuses to feed the next brood, and you have no opportunity of transferring them to another hen with young about the same age, try tempting her with a variety of foods and green food—lettuce, chickweed, or the tender tips of groundsel, for preference—and also offer a bath in which you have dissolved a little common salt, and add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea to the drinking water for two days. Give food only in small quantities, and fresh two or three times a day, and continue with that with which she seems to feed best, whatever it may be. Do not worry the hen by constant interference, but if she stops feeding you may fill the little crops yourself morning and evening with a little egg food moistened to a pap. After doing this for a few days the hen may take up her duties and rear the young satisfactorily.

GONE OFF CONDITION (W. G. S.).—I suspect these hens were upset by the recent wretched spell of weather. You should have put them at once in a quite warm place, which would probably have been all that was required to keep them up to concert pitch. Put them now in a fairly warm place, free from direct draughts, and in addition to the usual dietary give a morsel of sponge cake moistened with a few drops of sherry daily for a week. Also give a third of a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame every second day, and on the alternate days a young growing stool of dandelion. A couple of mealworms a day for each bird would also be beneficial if the birds will eat them. If at first they refuse them, crush the head of one and fasten it on the end of the perch with a pin, and they will soon learn to appreciate them.

OFF SONG AND IRRITABLE (A. T.).—Although you say that you can find no trace of red mites, I have no doubt that they are at the root of the mischief. Examine the cage again thoroughly, especially any open joints, cracks, or wire holes, and ends of perches, probing if necessary any cracks or holes with a pin on to a piece of white paper, and I imagine you will unearth something. Look well about the surface of the cage outside, and if you find any areas covered with white powdery-looking specks, you may be quite certain there is a colony of mites near by. If you discover any, take the necessary steps to exterminate them, as frequently advised in this column. Every second day for a week give the bird a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and finally sprinkled with soft sugar, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water ten drops of lemon juice and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence. After the first week add twenty drops of Chemical Food to the water four times a week for a fortnight. See that the bird is not exposed to direct draughts, and in searching for red mites do not overlook the nail or hook upon which the cage hangs.

VISCID DROPPINGS (T. P. M.).—(1) The abnormal condition of the droppings is due to the dietary or to unwholesome food of some kind. See that all your seeds and other foods are of good quality and given fresh. In addition to the staple seed diet, give every second day for a week a morsel of Bread soaked in cold milk, drained, and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana. Give a couple of leaves of dandelion daily. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and six drops of syrup of rhubarb daily for three days, and after this give instead five drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week. (2) The sample of canary seed marked No. 1 is of very good size, plump, sweet, and of first-rate quality all round. No. 2 is exceedingly small, not very well ripened, and it is also slightly musty. It is therefore not fit to form the staple diet of Canaries. By the way, these samples seem to have been transposed. The one marked No. 1 being in packet marked G.S., and No. 2 in one marked L.S.—equivalent to "Good Spanish" and "Large Spanish" respectively. (3) A good seed should be of fair size, stout and plump in substance, showing a comparatively large amount of kernel for husk, clean and bright, without any green unripened seeds, and when a little is chewed in the mouth the flavour should be as pleasant as chewing a few grains of good wheat. If you compare the two samples you sent me, taking No. 1 as typical of a good all round seed, and No. 2 as a very inferior quality, you should have no difficulty in telling a good seed from a bad one. A peck usually consists of 14lbs. weight.

SWELLING UNDER WING (Yorkshire Cock).—I cannot say definitely from your description what the swelling is, but in all probability it is a serous abscess. If the bird is helping to rear a brood, it would be better to allow it to finish off the brood before attempting any treatment. If not so occupied, or when it has finished, catch it and carefully prick the swelling with a quite clean needle, and paint the place once a day for a few days after with a camel hair brush dipped in extract of witch hazel. Watch it a week or two later to see if the swelling is returning, and if so paint it a few times with tincture of iodine, allowing a period of three or four days to elapse between each painting.

SLOW STARTERS (Novice).—The hens are not necessarily too old to breed, but their ages may account for them being rather late in coming into full breeding condition. Probably they are only waiting until the spring gets a little more advanced. Give each a whole stool of dandelion fresh gathered daily—leaves, blooms, and seed heads altogether. Also give a morsel of egg food every second day, and a little mixed seed on the alternating days. It would certainly be a judicious thing to get two healthy, vigorous hens of last season, if you can be fairly sure of getting untried hens, ready to nest, and mate them with the cocks, and by the time these were beginning to sit, the older hens would doubtless be in a more ready condition to set to work. In any case, it would be having four chances of success instead of two, with a better prospect generally.

DROOPING WING (Camden).—(1) As the bird appears in quite good health and feather, I would certainly advise you to leave the drooping wing alone. It may be no more than a mere passing idiosyncrasy, which will have quite disappeared by the time the young are hatched. (2) The most you can expect to do for this bird is to alleviate its condition when it becomes more acute from weather conditions from time to time. Do not attempt to breed with it at any time. See that it is kept in a bright, healthy place, where the temperature fluctuates as little as possible, and moderately warm, though it need not be overheated, and free from direct cold draughts. A dust laden atmosphere and the fumes of burning lights must also be strictly avoided. Give occasionally a morsel of bread and milk on which you have dropped three or four drops of cod liver oil emulsion and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a little green food in variety daily, and a third of a teaspoonful of maw seed three times a week. Get a chemist to mix you two drachms each of glycerine and oxymel of squills, one drachm each of chlorodyne and ipecacuanha wine, and eight grains of iodide of potassium. Give twenty drops of this in the water two days in every three for a fortnight, then miss a week, and begin again and give it for another fortnight. You may also keep this mixture handy and give twenty drops doses in the water every second day, or for a few days in succession, any time when the symptoms become acute.

SIB BREEDING (X Ray).—(1) To continue the strain of sib-breds you should mate the young of last season and the parents among themselves this year, provided they have not been very closely inbred before, and that they are strong robust birds. Any that are obviously weak and delicate you should discard altogether from this strain. Reserve the biggest and strongest hen from each of last year's hens for mating with the old cock this year, running him with two as you did last year. The biggest and strongest young cock may be mated with the two old hens in the same way. Then mate the remainder of the young together, putting the cocks of one hen with the hens of the other hen, and vice versa, so as to avoid mating a full blooded brother and sister together. (2) It is very much a matter of opinion whether you did right in using a pink-eyed cock in the first instance. Personally, I think you did. I attach some importance to a dash of pink-eyed blood in a strain of Sib-breds. (3) There is still a reasonable chance of getting two broods this season, provide the hens get to work again quickly after they have reared the first brood.

A FAILURE (D. Green).—Losses such as you describe are always apt to occur, even in well-managed establishments, so it is most useless speculating about the cause of them in the absence of all knowledge of the details of management, and you give no particulars whatever. I can only suggest that you see that all your seeds and foods are of good quality and sound, especially any hemp seed you use, and that no food or greenstuff of any kind is allowed to remain about the cage to become stale. The water vessels should also be given very careful attention. The swelling you noticed on the neck of the second youngster was doubtless of emphysematus origin, and may have arisen from a delicate and weak constitution, or from unwholesome food. With the next brood follow the system outlined in reply to "Govanite," in issue of May 8, or get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," and be guided by the detailed information therein, and if things go wrong again write immediately and give full particulars, and I will do my best to help you.

RING ON LEG (Ritep).—Unless the ring is too small, so that it fits tightly on the leg and is immovable, there is no risk whatever of its being in any way injurious. As you say the leg appears all right, I take it the ring is more or less loose on the leg, so that you could easily move it up and down the shank. If this is the case, you may rest assured it is not doing any harm at all. The variation in the colour of the legs may be quite natural. I see no reason why you should have it removed, and as it is practically no inconvenience to the bird, I think you would be best advised to leave well alone.

CANARY QUERISTS

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

HANDREARING A MAGPIE (H. Horler).—You should have no trouble to handrear Magpies, they are as easy to rear as chickens, yet it should be done properly, or the result will not be quite satisfactory. Soak a piece of stale bread in cold water for half an hour, squeeze as dry as possible, and mix with it crushed biscuit or biscuit powder and hard-boiled egg, pressed through a sieve or finely chopped; make the whole nicely moist with new milk or diluted condensed milk. In addition to this give small meal worms or pieces, also small garden worms. They may have a very little tender cooked meat (mutton or rabbit is best), this should be minced up finely and used very sparingly. Occasionally put a pinch of fine grit or cuttlefish bone in with the soft food. Keep the birds in a basket or box half-filled with hay when first obtained, and in a few days transfer them to a cage. Feed every two hours, giving them just as much as they will eat without cramming, and do not worry if they do not take much at some of the meal times; they will make up for it on the next occasion. After each meal give just a little plain water on the end of the feeding stick. When they can feed themselves they can gradually be got on to such food as soaked puppy biscuits or Melox, with an occasional feed of the ordinary softbill food. Scraps from the table are good for them, such as vegetables, pudding, bread and milk, etc. A freshly killed mouse or Sparrow is very much relished and keeps a fine gloss on the plumage. A good big box cage, not less than 3ft. long, is suitable, but a small aviary is a capital place to keep a Magpie in, especially if it is near a doorway or where people are continually passing. Our Nutshell No. 26, 2½d. post free from this office or 2d. from your local newsagent, will tell you all about the feeding of the larger insectivorous birds.

HANDREARING ROBINS (S.A.).—A good food for handrearing Robins would be a mixture of hard boiled egg, homemade sponge cake and ants' eggs, live ones if you can get them, if not, best quality dried. This mixture should be made moist with new milk and the young fed every hour for the first two or three days, later every two hours. When taking the young of any bird I always try to manage to get them at night, after the old birds have crammed them with the last feed; they then start on the new food in the morning, and this I have always found agrees with them better than if commenced with during the day. Feed as early as possible, at the same time each morning, giving the last feed at sundown. They will not take much food in the middle of the day, but require to have fairly filled up crops morning and night. Put a pinch of grit in the soft food occasionally, and as the young ones grow add a little best quality insectile food to the mixture, gradually increasing it, because this will be their stock mixture when they grow up. You can, if you desire, make your own food for them in the following manner: Powdered Osborne biscuits, six parts; best ants' eggs and dried flies, two parts each; powdered silkworm pupæ, one part; meat meal, half part. This food should be make crumbly moist with grated raw carrot, or finely chopped lettuce, watercress, etc., or even cold boiled potato, varying it frequently and adding a few spots of water if necessary. To this or to your shop-bought mixture could be added occasionally a little hard-boiled egg. In addition he should have a few mealworms, beetles, caterpillars, etc., and various kinds of soft fruit; he will occasionally eat a little seed, particularly Canary. The Robin is a great bather, and in a wild state frequently has a dip just before roosting, but when caged it is as well to give him the bath earlier in the day. Our Nutshell No. 25, post free 2½d. from this office or 2d. from your local newsagent, would assist you.

FOOD FOR FINCHES (Camdeu).—A good staple food and method of feeding would be as follows: Canary 4 parts, teazle 2 parts, summer rape 1 part. This you could supply in a good large self-filling hopper. Then make another mixture of hemp, millet, niger and linseed, in equal quantities; give a little of this twice a week, and if you can procure some good wild seed mixture this could also be supplied 3 days a week, just a spoonful for each bird. This wild seed mixture is now put up by many well-known firms in very convenient packets, containing a good blend of seeds, among others, thistle, gold of pleasure, sesame, charlock, poppy, etc., and is exceedingly useful in assisting to keep Finches in prime condition.

ABOUT SKYLARKS (W. J. Townsend).—I very much suspect that your Skylark is a hen, or, if not, it is probably one of those inferior performers that one sometimes meets with, are practically useless as songsters. Now, although the Skylark is such an incessant songster when on the wing it does not follow that all of them are equally so when caged. Many of them never open properly, and it is only occasionally one manages to get a real good one. As a rule hand-reared birds can be depended upon more than caught birds, although many branchers turn out satisfactorily. I would advise you to give your bird its liberty. If it was going to be any good it would be singing stoutly now. If you can manage it why not handrear a brood; if not, buy half-a-dozen in the autumn, cage them up separately, and keep the best. (2) Canaries, like most birds, are very imitative, and will copy a few notes from any bird they hear; but the general character of the Canary's song is shrill and hard, and even if one copied the Nightingale's song, note for note, it would lack the mellow richness of the music of the King of Songsters.

YOUNG ROBIN (C.E.B.).—I fear you have been indulging your bird in a way that is not good for him, and if you continue the same treatment it will eventually cause its death. When hand feeding a bird it has to eat what is given to it, and

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

it only requires a little firmness on the part of the feeder to see that it has what is good for it. You will have to gradually wean it from the meat diet. Make a mixture of hard-boiled egg, stale sponge cake, and ants' eggs, and at first give him some of this sticking on to the smallest possible pieces of meat. Wait until he is quite hungry, and I have no doubt you will soon manage to get him on to his proper food. For this see answer to another reader. Most birds feed themselves when a month old. Put a little food on the feeding stick, and tease him with it until he pecks at it, also leave just a morsel sticking to the bars of his cage.

ABOUT GOLDFINCHES (Nemo).—The Greypate is the Goldfinch in his nest feathers, these he casts in the autumn, mostly during August and September, but there is no fixed date. I have seen individuals in moult in July, also in November, although the latter were probably sickly birds that found a difficulty in getting rid of their plumage. When he is clean moulted he is in full dress, although, like most birds, he improves somewhat with each moult. (2) "Field-moulted" and "house-moulted" are terms used by fanciers to denote the place of moulting. A field-moulted bird is generally the richer in colour and has black legs; the house-moulted bird, i.e., one which has moulted in a cage or aviary, has pale-coloured feet, which get lighter at each successive moult. (3) October and November are about the best times to procure any of the Finches. (4) The Siberian Goldfinch is much larger than the British, and is only eligible for exhibiting in the Foreign Bird Section. (5) There will be no Siberian Goldfinches imported during the war.

GOLDFINCHES UNDER CANARIES (Devonian).—Give the old birds hard-boiled egg, sponge cake, and powdered biscuit. Procure a pound of best insectile food as used for feeding Nightingales and Warblers, and if you can manage to get your Canaries to eat this use it instead of the powdered biscuit. Try the Canaries with a little of it daily before the young ones are hatched; as a rule they will eat it readily, and if so, it is a capital food to assist in rearing all wild birds. Offer soaked rape seed; this should be placed in water over night, strained off and rubbed dry in a cloth in the morning. Another method of preparing it is to gently simmer it in a small saucepan. Keep the birds well supplied with all kinds of wild food, such as chickweed, shepherd's purse, and seeding grass, the latter cannot be given too freely; there are already some species in seed, and others will soon make their appearance if we get some sunny weather. Night and morning give a little crushed hemp and sunflowers. If you treat them in this way, giving as much variety as possible in their food, you should manage to rear them.

YOUNG BULLFINCHES UNDER CANARIES (W.F.D.).—I am very douhtful if you would he successful in rearing your young Bullfinches on the food your mention. You would do much hetter to follow the method advised to "Devonian" in rearing Goldfinches. If you are particularly anxious to try your soft food, supplement it with a good allowance daily of soaked seeds, also supplying the wild food as advised.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AMAZON VOMITING (Lindsey).—It is the tea sop, I expect, which has set up the trouble, and I much fear there is a probability of your losing the bird. Do not give any more tea sop. I take it it is eating seed fairly well. Give it a little boiled maize daily, about one tablespoonful (it only keeps fresh one day); boil till soft, drain off all water, then add 5 to 10 drops cod liver oil emulsion, stir with a fork, and supply to the bird as soon as it is cool. Instead of the drinking water, offer the following: One teaspoonful each Horlick's Malted Milk, and cornflour, and one drop of laudanum, well mix together in two tablespoonfuls of water, or a little more if too thick for the hird to freely sip up; prepare it fresh twice daily. Do not give a further aperient at present, and it would be well to put in case tray a fair quantity of sawdnst, or peat moss litter, so as to keep the tray as dry as possihle. The tray should he cleansed at least twice daily. As soon as the diarrhoea yields, cease giving the milk mixture, and give a mixture of tepid water, and chemical food, well colouring the water with the latter. You can encourage the bird to eat a little lightly moistened bread or biscuit, using chemical food and water as the moistening medium. It would he better to prepare your own seed mixture: 1 quart each giant canary seed and oats, one pint each sunflower seed, safflower, shelled pea nuts, wheat, dari, and hemp; well mix together, and keep a constant supply in the cage. Keep the bird in warm quarters, cage tray very clean, and report progress in about fourteen days, if the bird survives.

AILING GREY PARROT (E. E. Cleaver).—If I read your first query aright, there is constipation, if so, this must he got rid of by giving 3 drops of tasteless castor oil direct to the mouth every four hours till relief has heen given; then only occasional doses as required to keep the bowels moving freely, but there must not he a condition of chronic diarrhoea. Bathe the nostril twice daily with dilute glyco-thymoline till the obstruction is removed. I also advise the putting of a little honey and horax into the mouth sufficiently often to keep it clear of slime and from furring. Do not give the milk sop longer than you can help, but the bird must have sufficient to eat, and you must continue it till the hird is eating freely of the seed mixture again; prepare the milk sop so: several pieces of sponge cake about the size of walnuts, one-third of a teaspoonful of cod liver oil er ulsion, one teaspoonful of condensed milk, and sufficient boiling water to make the sop rather sloppy. Unless the bird appears to need a stimulant badly, I should not give any spirits, as from your details it appears to need a sedative. As soon as you have got the bowels moved, you had better give 3 grains of bromide of potassium in a little syrup, and repeat this dose whenever it appears unduly excited. You had better report progress as soon as the trouble hegins to pass, and supply full details, when probahly further help can be given. The sample sand enclosed is all right for an absorptive medium to cover up cage tray, but you should get a packet of parrot grit, Spratt's and other firms put it on the market. But as you have not heen giving proper grit for so long—you must only give a pinch occasionally, and let it gradually hecome accustomed to it. It will not be needed till the hird is eating seed again.

SOUTH AFRICAN "KING" GREY PARROT (Hibernia).—As you know your bird to be a South African Grey, it is of the colour variety to which dealers have given the name of King Grey. The extent and position of the areas of red or pink is very variable. I have seen one specimen that had the feathers almost alternately red and grey, and others with only stray red or pink feathers here and there. Its value, according to your description, should be anything you can get from £5 to £10.

ZEBRA FINCH WITH OVERGROWN MANDIBLE (Lallan).—So long as the heak continues to grow ahnormally, it must continually be cut hack. Keep a largish lump of mortar rubhish in the cage, also a piece of cuttlehone, and the hird may in future keep its beak ground down to normal size by pecking at one or hoth of these. There are very few books combining British and Foreign species. There are our Nutshells (see list in "Cage Birds), on various British and Foreign species, 2½d. each, also "Foreign Birds for Beginners," 1s. 1½d., and "Aviaries and Aviary Life," 12s. 6d. The Editor would forward you either of the ahove post free at prices quoted.

OLD WAXBILL LUMPY (Mrs. Cole).—It looks more like a case of senile decay than anything else. Give it some seeding and flowering grass to pick over, and fasten a millet spray in the cage, renewing it when exhausted; continue to supply the canary and millet as heretofore. Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water, and on the intermediate days well colour the water with Chemical Food. Keep it where it can get light and sun, yet be free from draught.

GREEN AMAZON (W. Haddock).—The value is ahout 60s. to 100s., according to condition, plumage, health, etc. If the cage is cleaned daily, using sand to cover the cage tray, and scrubhed thoroughly over monthly, there should he no offensive odour from the hird. Many Parrots will not hathe, those that do are usually allowed to come out of the cage and indulge in a tub in a largish dish. A Parrot that will not hathe is usually sprayed twice a week during the warm months, and less often during the cold season. It will ho hest to continue to feed, as it had been fed heforo coming to you, and if it has been getting anything usnally considered unwholesome, then gradually wean it therefrom. A Parrot should not he given tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever.

COCKATIEL IN ROUGH PLUMAGE (J. E. Knight).—As well as the seed mixture, the bird should have regularly a supply of green food: lettuce, flowering and seeding grass, etc., according to the season; also grit and cuttlebone should continually be in the cage. Canary and white millet should be the main seed dietary; a few oats can be given twice a week. Put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in its drinking water for one day, and then turn it out into your garden aviary for the summer, where it can well remain till the end of October. The confinement to indoor and cage life, the lack of green food, etc., have all contributed to its present condition. It is a hardy species, and the best remedy is outdoor life; at any rate, for eight months of the year.

BIRDS FOR C.P. AVIARY CAGE (F. N. C.). I take it you have the British birds hy you. In a fairly confined space the Goldfinch often adopts a sort of "dog in the manger" attitude, but several seed hoppers will get over that difficulty. All the other birds you mention have heen associated with foreign species in a cage without mishap, and you should meet with no difficulty from adding them to your cage, save that, unless it's a very large one, it will be overstocked and strictest attention must be paid to cleanliness, and if the water-vessels get fouled at all, the water must be at once changed. Under any conditions, I should not keep more than twelve birds in the cage. If you elect to do this, let your choice of additions fall on the Bullfinch, Linnet, and the Canary-mule.

SEXING PLUM-HEADED PARRAKEETS (Omega).—The male has the head hright red suffused with plum-hloom on the hind head and cheeks; hlack mandihular streaks meeting a narrow hlack collar. The female is smaller, and has the head dull plum-blue, suffused with greyish on the cheeks, and forehead. She has neither the black mandibular streaks nor the hlack-collar; hut she has a yellow collar, which is rather broad on the sides of the neck. It is a thankless task fixing values at the present time, for, not only are hirds scarce, but buyers somewhat so also. Approximately the value of a pair in fair condition would be anything you conld get, from 60s. upward. When a species is rare in the market, the value is as much as you can get a would-be purchaser to pay, and in these war times this is modified hy the reluctance to spend money in hobbies and luxuries.

AMAZON PARROT WITH BROKEN FEATHERS (Lincoln Imp).—The hird is quite out of condition; prepare your own mixture of one part each maize, shelled monkey nuts, wheat, dari, and paddy rice; two parts each hemp, sunflower, and oats, and keep a small tin of canary and white millet in the cage. It should also have ripe fruit, biscuit, dry crusts, plain cake, etc.; but do not give table scraps, animal food, or tea and milk sops. Give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days well colour the water with Chemical Food. Give it a little hoiled maize daily, boil about one desertspoonful till soft (grains should be left whole), drain off all water, add 10 drops of cod-liver oil emulsion, stir together with a four-pronged fork, give about this quantity daily till the bird is in condition again. Spray it with a tepid quassia solution twice a week during warm weather. Report progress about a month hence.

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Abertillery C.B.S.—May 26, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. Final arrangements for F.F. Show.—H. H. Mortimer..

Bradford National Show Committee.—May 26, Market Tavern, 8. Most important husiness.—S. Midgley.

Bradford West C.B.A.—May 22, Shoulder of Mutton, 7. Special meeting.—F. P. Terry.

Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—May 26, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. Make arrangements for young hird shows, and other important business.—R. Elliott.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—June 5, Masonic Arms, 6.—F. Baxter.

Chester C.B.S.—May 25, Boot Inn, Chester, 8. General meeting. Arrangements for open show, and other important husiness.—A. Hibhert.

Choppington, Scotland Gate and Dist.—May 22, Social Club, 7.15. To arrange for N.F. show, and judge.—T. Rigg.

Choppington (Scotland Gate).—May 22, Social Club, 6.30. Judges for shows, etc.—H. Seeley.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—May 22, Duhmire Workmen's Club, 6. Important business. Fanciers kindly note this is the last meeting for enrolling new members.—G. T. Lynn.

Derby C.B.S.—May 29, Normanton Hotel, 7. Nomination of young birds. Arrangements for F.F. show.—F. W. Jordan.

Darlington C.B.S.—May 26, George Hotel, 7.30. Classification, election of judge, and other husiness.—H. Todd.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—May 29, Merchiston Station, 2.45 train to Colinton. Ramble through Dreghorn Estate along with memhers of Colinton and Currie O.S. and Leith O.S. Members and friends intending to he present might notify sec. by p.c. four or five days previous. Tea, 1s. per head.—J. C. Charlton.

Fife C.B.L.—May 29, Rolland Street Hall, Dunfermline, 6. Replies from judges and other show husiness.—J. Cordery.

Green Canary Association.—May 27, headquarters, 8. Open night for novices. Committee's report on revisal of rules. Lecture on Colour-feeding, by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe.—E. S. Broadhent.

Guiseley, Yeadon C.B.S.—The meeting hour will he 7 instead of 8. F.F. show July 31; judge, P. Mason, Shipley.—W. Rose.

Grimsby O.S.—May 27, headquarters, 160, Freeman Street, 8. First N.F. show and general husiness.—J. T. Cotterill.

Glasgow and W. Counties Club.—May 29. Ramble to Bridge of Weir. Train leaves St. Enoch's 2.40; meet at corner of Argyle and Dunlop Streets at 2.20.—H. Adam.

Guisborough Priory C.B.S.—May 22, Wear's Rooms, 7.30.—A. W. Knaggs.

Halifax C.B.S.—May 26, King Cross Band Room, 8. Air-gun shooting match; open-v-novices.—A. Sutcliffe.

Ilkeston C.B.S.—May 22, Ancient Druids, Cotmanhay Road, 7. Selection of classes for F.F. show, and other important hus.—Geo. Siddown.

Larkhall C.B.A.—May 29, Y.M.C.A. Halle, 7. Discuss proposed ramble; large turn-out requested. Bring a new memher with you. Report from judge.—T. J. McGregor.

Leigh C.B.S.—May 26, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Ordinary business.—R. Charleson.

Laisterdyke, Bowling, and Tong Combination.—May 23, Midland Station, 8.15. Ramble via the Washban Valley district. All members and friends are invited. We catch train for Guisley, then travel on foot.—J. E. Hudson.

Midland Roller C.C.—May 27, headquarters, "Seven Stars," John's Lane, Wolverhampton, 8. Important business. New rule hooks, fixing of show date. A hearty welcome is offered to fanciers in the district wishing to join.—J. W. Thomson.

National British Bird and M.C.—May 27, Feathers Hotel, Gt. Chapel Street, Westminster, S.W., 8. General business.—E. Stephens.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, East End C.B.S.—May 26, Hall's Cafe, Assembly Rooms, Heaton Road, 7.30. General business; N.F. show.—J. W. Coutts.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—May 26, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Gen. hus., etc. Schedules out; competition for attendance.—A. W. Newton.

Oldham C.B.S.—May 25, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Important husiness concerning the N.F. show.—G. Mills.

Forth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—May 26, headquarters, 7. Show business, and other important matters.—J. S. Jones.

Queen's Park (Glasgow) C.B.S.—May 26, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. F.F. Show arrangements, subscriptions for 1915 are overdue.—E. Holliday.

Richmond (Surrey) C.B.S.—May 24, St. John's Hall, 8. Cup rules. Arrange for F.F. show.—G. Birch.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—May 25, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Final arrangements for F.F. show. Contributions due.—W. Stafford.

Sheffield O.S.—May 31, 8.—E. C. Joh. (Place not stated.—Ed.)

Scottish Metropolitan Open Derby.—May 29, Buchanan's Hotel, High Street, Edinburgh, 8. Election of judges, etc.—R. Lile.

Sunderland C.B.A.—May 22, Station St. Cafe, 7.30. Arrangements for N.F. shows; any other business; new rule cards now ready, and will he given out at this meeting; arrange for rambles.—J. Peacock.

Warrington C.B.S.—May 27, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, 8. N.F. show.—H. Warburton.

Wombwell B.F.S.—May 29, Mr. Malpass, 49, Park Street, 7. N.F. show business.—J. W. Dean.

West Stanley Victoria F.F. and C.B.S.—May 23, Club Room, 7. Schedule and important business.—R. Hutchinson.

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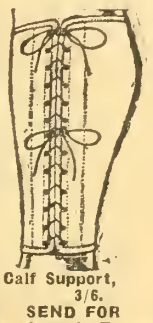

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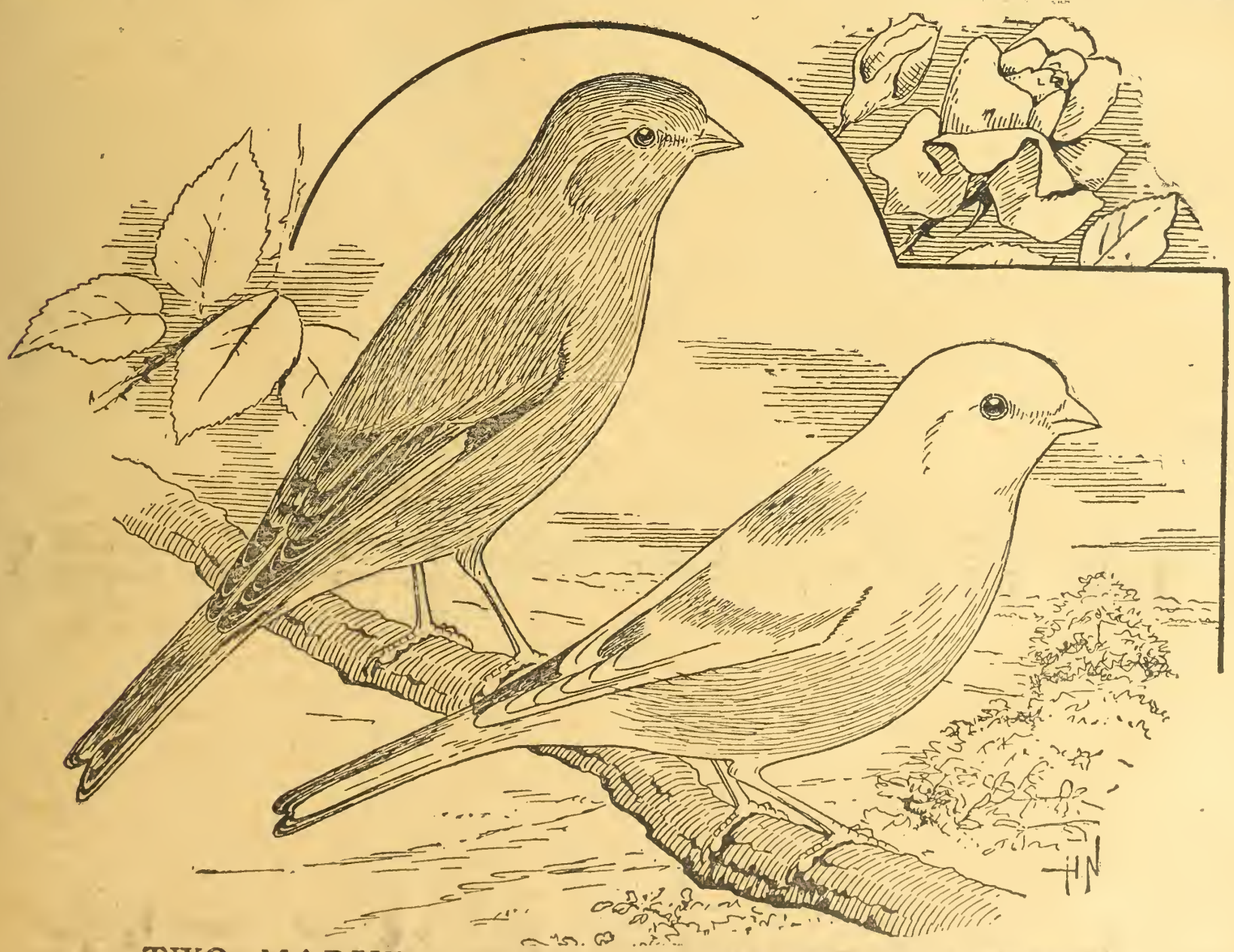

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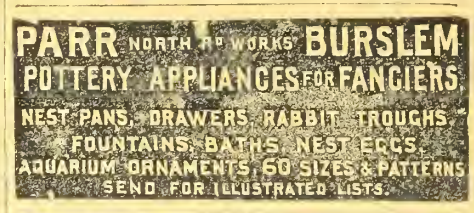
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Twitterings.

A Nest Feather show will be held by the Abersychan C.B.S. on July 3. Mr. E. W. Allsopp, Cardiff, will judge.

Entries for the Royal Cornwall show, Camborne, will be taken up to first post Tuesday, June 1, writes Mr. C. J. Allen, Hon. Sec., 13, Trelowarren Street, Camborne.

The Grasshopper Warbler has recently been observed in the Calder Valley (Midlothian). It is said that seventy years have elapsed since the last record of its presence in the locality.

Societies desiring the patronage of the Northern Norwich P.C. for the coming season please state number of classes and judge, writes Mr. F. W. Laidlow, 55, Colston Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

I regret to state, writes Mr. H. Teat, Grantham, that I am compelled to give up the Fancy for the present, as I expect to enlist in a week or two. All my birds, cages, and various effects will be sold cheap to clear. Full particulars will be sent free, on application, as stated in my advert. in this issue. I thank you for past favours and wish CAGE BIRDS every success.

We have received from the Sec., Mr. A. Sutcliffe, 46, Hammond Street, Hopwood Lane, Halifax, the syllabus of the Halifax C.B.S. The programme for the season is a most interesting one, and full classification and rules for the six members' shows are given. The annual open show is fixed for Jan. 22 in the King Cross Liberal Club. Mr. P. Mason will judge.

Please accept my best thanks, writes Mr. A. J. Smith, Erdington, for the most excellent portrait sketched by your artist of my C.B. hen in the current number of CAGE BIRDS. I am sorry to say that my first round has turned out badly; chicks dead in shell, and hens deserting both eggs and young ones. I think it is owing to the cold nights.

The programme of the shows of the Bradford East O.S. is to hand from the sec., Mr. J. Spencer, 10, Runswick Terrace, Bankfoot, Bradford. The F.F. show, with 4 champion and 4 novice classes, Judge Mr. A. W. Hartley will be held on June 19. The 4 old bird shows have eight classes for each section. The dates and judges are: Sept. 25, Mr. L. Dykes; Oct. 20, Mr. P. Mason; Nov. 17, Mr. W. A. Cowgill; Dec. 15, Mr. F. Self.

The principal article in the May issue of "Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club is by the hon. editor, Mr. Wesley T. Page, entitled "Some Gorgeous Pheasants," and this will be read with great interest by keepers of fancy Pheasants. Other contributions are, "My Indian Nightingales," by Mr. B. Theo Stewart; "Failures in Aviaries, and their lessons," by Mr. W. Shore-Baily; "My Yucatan Jay," by Lady Kathleen Pilkington, and "My Present and Past Aviaries," by J. W. Marsden.

Bravo! Kippax.

Two more of our members, writes Mr. R. Plows, sec., Kippax Linnet Club, have joined Kitchener's Army, so that, out of a membership of fourteen we have five with the colours. Not bad, is it?

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OBITUARY.

MR. H. MAUGHAN (Jarrow).

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. W. Ayres, sec. Jarrow and Hebburn C.B.S., that I announce the death of Mr. H. Maughan, of Jarrow, at the age of 47 years, after a short call. He was a man who was well liked among the Fancy, and had kept Canaries from boyhood. He has left two sons and two daughters to mourn his loss; one son is going to keep his father's Fancy going. To his widow and family we tender our deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement.

MR. BARNWELL, SENR. (Harrogate).

It is with deepest regret, writes Mr. J. H Walker, Chairman Harrogate C.B.S., that I have to inform you of the death of our esteemed secretary's father (Mr. Barnwell), who passed away on May 20 at the age of 65 after 15 months of awful suffering. Deceased was very highly respected by all who knew him, although not a bird fancier; his chief fancy was in the horticultural line. The members of the Harrogate C.B.S. wish to tender their deepest sympathy with our sec. and the whole family in the sad loss they have sustained.

Hand-rearing British Birds.

At this period of the year it is the desire of many to bring up by hand as pets the young of various kinds of British birds; and enquiries as to the proper method of procedure are frequently coming to hand. Two of such enquiries were answered by our British Bird expert, Mr. Norman, in the first two paragraphs of the British Bird columns, on page 298 of our issue of May 22, and those who purpose undertaking the rearing of nestlings would do well to mark these, or cut them out for reference. Fuller particulars than can be given in our query columns may be found in our various "Nutshells," particularly in Nos. 25 and 26

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Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.
Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.) H.W.B., W.M., W.N.
Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Frecstone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.
Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.
Nov. 12-13.—**Blaydon-on Tyne C.B.S.**—(G. Havver, 1, Theresa St.) T.D., J.M., H.W.B.
Nov. 13.—**Barnsley C.B.S.**—(E. Toulson, 102, Cope St.)
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Dec. 1-2.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingham.) J.R., J.H.R.
Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 30, Bedford Place, Southampton.) H.N.
Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N. A.S., H.J.W.
Dec. 10-11.—**Gateshead C.B.S.**—(W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle).

Scotland.

Nov. 12-13.—**Glasgow C.B.A.**—(W. Hutchison, 167, Hospital Street.) W.G., J. M'L., W. M'M., C.M., A.W., M.C.
Nov. 20.—**Cowdenbeath C.B.S.**—(T. Baxter, 128, Union St.).
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Jan. 1.—**Wishaw, Clydesdale C.B.S.**—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)

Wales.

Nov. 10.—**Llandudno** (Welsh N. Counties F. and F.A.).—(G. E. Cragg, "Recklands," Rhos, Colwyn Bay.)
Nov. 17-18.—**Cardiff C.B.S.**—(E. Thomas, 48, Craddock St.) J.H.P., J.H.R.

Country Ramble.

The following ramble has been arranged and local fanciers are invited to join:—Southampton C.B.S., June 9, to New Forest. Train leaves Southampton West 2.25 for Lyndhurst Road. Tickets (fare and tea) from the hon. sec., Mr. W. L. Page, 30, Bedford Place, or any member of the society.

Another Indictment Against the Sparrow.

The writer of "Nature Notes" in the "Birmingham Mail," after saying that House Martins are yearly decreasing in number, thinks "there is no doubt the Sparrow is primarily responsible. It is another case of the survival of the most adaptable—one is reluctant to say of the survival of the fittest."

Wild Birds Protection Act. An Order for County Galway.

The Lord Lieutenant has made an Order that the killing, wounding, or taking of Blackbird, Bullfinch, Chough, Goldfinch, Linnet, Redpoll, Siskin, Skylark, Tern (all species), Thrush, and Twite, in the County of Galway is prohibited from the 1st day of March to the 1st day of December in each year.

Any Old Thing Will Do.

Two or three curious nesting places have been reported to us this week, says the "Bedfordshire Express." A Thrush has built its nest and deposited five eggs in an old disused trowel protruding from a wall. A pair of Robins have made their arrangements for a family in an old watering-can. At Chesfield a pair of Linnets have decided upon a sprouting brocoli to entrust their three precious eggs to, and several cases of nests and deposits in pea-sticks have been noticed.

How to Identify Tree Pipits.

No birds can be more safely recognised by their ways than the Tree-pipits, says the "Yorkshire Observer." These come to our woods in large numbers somewhere between April 24 and May 1, and in many places the males are to be seen continually springing from their lofty perches and soaring high, then often descending at times to the twig from which they made the ascent, but quite as often gliding on motionless wings, with legs stretched out behind, to a perch a little lower in a tree a short distance away. This is a very curious attitude for a passerine (Sparrow-like) bird to assume. Whilst they indulge in these short flights they sing in a voice as loud as and not unlike that of a Canary. It is a well-marked habit which one cannot confuse with that of any other bird inhabiting Yorkshire.

More Queer Nesting Places.

Strange nesting places are, of course, legion, but three of the records coming to hand this week seem to be especially worthy of note. A Thrush has built her nest in a wreath hanging on a tombstone in full view of visitors to the cemetery, at Westport, Ireland, a fold in a church curtain is occupied by a Robin's nest for the fifth year in succession, and at Kirkby Stephen a Wren is repairing for a second occupation her nest of shavings which she built last year within a couple of feet of the saw-bench in Messrs. Savage's saw-mill.

The Song of the Nightingale.

Poets and other imaginative writers have pictured the Nightingale as a sad bird doing penance by sitting on a thorn and pouring forth continuous sweet but doleful music. It is a curiously erroneous idea, for the bird has a remarkable resemblance to a Robin, and is by no means shy; it is easy to sit beneath a bush or tree in which it is singing. The song is not continuous, but varied and spasmodic, and frequently the sweetest notes—those long quivering strains of passionate ecstasy and plaintiveness which ascend the scale until one wonders how high the bird will reach—are followed by a low and by no means musical croak. The males apparently sing most of the night, and all the day. The wonder is when they find time to rest.—"Estates Gazette."

Didn't "Hanker" After Crow.

A correspondent, referring to the article by Bart Kennedy on "Bird Villains," which appeared in our issue of May 22, and to the mention of the Rook-shooting season, sends a cutting from "The Westminster Gazette" which says: "The Rookeries, except where the owners have gone for more serious shooting, are now being thinned, and during the next fortnight the resulting Rook-pies will prove a welcome addition to our 'war food.' Rook-pie is a peculiarly British dish, quite unknown on the Continent, but our working-classes are prejudiced against this national delicacy, which they dimly connect with the Carrion-crow. Yet the Rook feeds practically on the same fare as a Wood-pigeon. A legend relates that a labourer, given some Rook-pie, devoured the steak and other 'extras,' but set aside the chief ingredient with the comment: 'I can eat Crow, but I doan't hanker after it.'"

When OUR Day Dawns.

Perhaps the most remarkable aspect of bird life noticed during the war (says the "Derbyshire Advertiser") is the constant indifference shown by many of the commoner species of birds towards the continual roar of heavy artillery. During normal times many of these same birds would immediately fly for their lives at the near approach of any individual carrying or discharging a fire-arm. In the present case, however, familiarity seems to have bred contempt, for the birds seem to have become quite content despite their extraordinary surroundings, appearing to treat the constant gunfire as merely an actual everyday occurrence of Nature. Naturally the majority of the birds, especially those of a shyer nature, will leave the infected area for a quiet retreat some distance behind one of the firing lines extending across Belgium, France, Austria, and Poland, where they will no doubt carry on breeding operations as per usual. As the Allied armies advance on their way to Berlin the German lines will constantly become shorter, consequently many of the birds within the decreasing dimensions of the Hun's area will be forced back by the constant din of battle towards northern Germany or the coast of Holland, with the possibility that many birds will eventually arrive in England.

"Kindly thank all inquirers for my Yorkshire Cock. I had so many replies that it is impossible to reply to all."—R. Pound (Kilmington).

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THE CRESTED CANARY AND ITS BREEDING.

By G. M. DAVEY (Plymouth).

Crests of the highest class command prices varying from £10 to £40, and up to £100 has been paid for sensationally good specimens. Our contributor deals with their production.

IT is my intention of leaving the old country for South Africa, and before I leave I should like to say a few words on the breeding of the Crested and Crest-bred Canary for the benefit of young fanciers and novices. The Crested Canary, as most fanciers know, takes its name from the topping or crest which covers its head. It was called in days gone by the "Topping," or "Turn-crown." I have been a fancier of this class of Canary for many years, and, if spared to return to the old country, I hope to make a fresh start, as I consider it to be the king of all fancies.

The aim of all breeders is to get as chubby a bird as possible, with massiveness of head and density and length of head feather, and the Crested Canaries of to-day are of a more made-up type than in the days of the old Norwich Turn-crown; in fact, we might almost call them freaks of Nature. The type has been so altered from that of the original that the word Norwich has been almost altogether dropped, and the bird is now simply called the Crest Canary.

The Points of a Perfect Crest.

In size a good crest should extend in front to the tip or over the tip of the beak, and reach round to the back of the head on the plane of the eyes, which should be almost if not entirely hidden. The most important features in the crest of the bird are size, shape, and density of feather, which should be broad and of a leafy texture. A small crest will make the bird's head look mean and spare, though a small head can carry a large crest and show it to perfection. I remember having in my possession a hen with one of the best crests I have ever seen, yet when her crest was off, her head was no larger than that of a Border. Therefore, we see it does not require an extra area of skull to hold the foundation of a well-feathered crest.

The shape is dependent on two things—a small centre, and the position of that centre, which should be sufficiently remote from the base of the beak to ensure a good frontage of regularly radiating long feathers, known as a good frontal. Nothing will compensate for a bad frontal, and any defect there is fatal. The centre which gives the neatest and best balance to a large crest is one immediately behind the eyes, in the centre of the top of the head, of course. If it is more forward, it takes greatly from the frontal crest; thus it is of great importance to study the position of the centre of the crest as well as other properties, as it assists either to mar or give a good finish. The back of the crest also is of great importance.

If a young Crest Canary be examined in the nest before there is any sign of feather appearing, there will be seen at the back of the skull, a scar-like mark, the rest of the head being covered with skin the colour of which shows the future colour of the feathers. In a young Dark Crest this bare skin is black. On the scar-like mark at the back of the head feathers never grow, and if the head is examined as the quills show themselves, it will be at once seen that they grow from every portion of the surface except this scar-like mark, which remains bare. The larger this scar appears, the greater the probability of an inferior back to the crest, which should cover this scar or naked spot entirely. A bird having only a small vacancy is said to be "well filled in behind."

What the Crest Should NOT Be.

A good crest should not stand up in front, and a dark one should show no light feathers over the beak or in any other part. It should not be narrow or pointed in front, neither should it be tucked at the sides, or it would have the appearance of being formed of two parts. It should not have any split or opening in the front, nor should the centre assume the shape of a line dividing one side from the other called by fanciers a "running centre." It should not be merely a heavy tuft of feathers, without any centre, falling smoothly over at back or front, nor should it be a mop. It should not be wider at the back than in the front; nor should it be rough at the back. It must not be thin or sparse, but must be dense and full of feathers radiating evenly all round from a well-filled, neat centre.

The Clear body Dark-crested is the ideal of all breeders. And if we take into consideration the difficulty of production, this is rightly so. The even-marked Dark-crest is also very difficult to obtain, and some breeders think should stand before the Clear-body Dark. There are rare instances of marked-wing birds, with the remainder of the bodies clear; also there is the Grey Crest, a most important bird in the breeding room, and not less important on the show bench. A good Grey is very pretty, although it has no recognised value from a colour point of view, and as a variety it is simply a chance result. It is rather remarkable that most Grey-crested Canaries are buffs; they generally have a clear body, perfectly free from any markings. Then there is the Clear Crest, which is a most beautiful bird, and I cannot see, as long as these have good crests, why they should not be more cultivated. Besides these there are the Green Crest and the Heavily Variegated, which is the first remove from the Green; both are most valuable in the breeding room.

Most Crest-breeders of the present day give very little thought to colour or markings, their whole craze being to breed a winner, not troubling a bit about colour. This is a blind policy on the breeders' part, as it eventually is bound to kill classification for the breed, and as the various marked and colour birds become more scarce, they will all drift into the one channel of variegation. If a variety is to flourish, it is the duty of the breeder to endeavour to fix the various markings and colours which have been produced.

And now we must consider the Crest-bred, which at the present time is just as important an exhibition bird as the Crest, although in the old days it was not recognised as such. The Crest-bred, like the Crest, should be of massive build, with a thick-set body, as near to the Bullfinch type as possible, with abundance of feather lying close to the body; of course, it is impossible to get it to lie as close as in the Norwich, owing to its great length.

The head of the Crest-bred is of most importance; in fact, a Crest-bred without really good head and head feather may scarcely be called a Crest-bred at all, no matter how much feather it has on its body. To get this point there are exhibitors who pair two Crest-breds together, and for this reason it is, I consider, very dangerous for a novice to buy a Crest-bred unless he is perfectly certain how the bird is bred, otherwise he may find that he breeds three times the amount of Crest-breds that he does Crests.

(To be continued.)

SOME HINTS ON PARROT KEEPING.

By The MARQUIS of TAVISTOCK.

(Continued from page 283)

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YELLOW-COLLARED or Port Lincoln Parrakeet (*Barnardius semitorquatus*).—Typical examples have the lower breast pale green, and some red feathers at the base of the upper mandible, but intermediate forms between this species and *P. zonarius* are very common and are of no fixed type. The hen Port Lincoln is less easy to tell from the cock than the hen Bauer, and the sexes are alike in colour. Port Lincolns stay fairly well at liberty, and their loud whistling calls, unpleasantly noisy in a room, are most beautiful when heard at a little distance in the open air. Unfortunately, *B. semitorquatus* is a murderous fighter, and just as expert as the Bauer in inflicting beak injuries.

A Nervous Subject.

Pileated or Red-capped Parrakeet (*Porphyrocephalus spurius*).—This curious, aberrant *Platycercine* is, in spite of the fact that it is lively, striking in appearance and amiable in disposition, liable to bring its owner more anxiety and disappointment than satisfaction. Of all Parrakeets it is the most intensely nervous, and catching and handling it in the most gentle manner will often reduce it to such a state of prostration through sheer terror that its life may be seriously endangered. It also possesses in captivity an absolutely unrivalled capacity for catching fatal chills on the smallest provocation. It is therefore a wise precaution to remove it from the aviary in autumn and keep it in a roomy cage in a warm room until spring is well advanced, when it may be very cautiously hardened off. At the same time, Pileateds are, under certain circumstances, capable of withstanding cold, as is proved by the fact that I had a fine cock at liberty during the greater part of the winter of 1912 which kept in perfect health. Unfortunately, in February he strayed in search of a mate, lost his way, and quickly starved. Pileated Parrakeets would probably do well at liberty, as they are very dependent on artificial feeding, but the process of cutting their wings is so likely to prove fatal that one hesitates to try it with such valuable birds. *Porphyrocephalus spurius* is one of the very few Australian Parrakeets which will eat banana with any relish.

Psephotus Parrakeets.—A family of rather small Parrakeets of extreme grace and beauty, which spend a good deal of their time on the ground. The sexes usually present a striking difference in colour. The food should be the same as that provided for the *Platycerci*, and green stuff is most important. When tame they make gentle and affectionate pets.

Redrump Parrakeet (*Psephotus haematonotus*).—The best known member of the family. Very hardy when properly acclimatised, but not at other times, Redrumps would be charming birds at liberty were it not for the fact that owing to their small size they almost invariably fall victims to Owls before they have time to establish themselves. They stay remarkably well when released in pairs, but directly a cock or hen is lost its mate will invariably go clean away within two or three days if a substitute is not provided. Redrumps are very dependent on artificial feeding, and, unlike many of the true *Platycerci*, starve directly their supply of seed is beyond their reach. They may either be turned out with cut wings, or, if a pair in breeding condition are obtained, the cock may be released full-winged, and his mate (who must be kept within sight and hearing) allowed to join him after a few days. Adult Redrumps fight savagely with members of their own and nearly allied species. They are highly susceptible to septic fever.

Many-coloured Parrakeet (*Psephotus multicolor*).—Like the Redrump, able to stand cold when properly hardened off. Old writers describe this bird as a hopeless one to keep on account of its liability to die suddenly and without apparent reason from cerebral hæmorrhage. There is no doubt that Many-colours do sometimes succumb to this ailment on very insufficient provocation, but they certainly do not do so to such an extent that anyone need be deterred from trying them. They are, however, given to developing septic fever in the most inexplicable fashion, and the greatest care must be taken to safeguard them from possible infection. Like Redrumps they are very quarrelsome.

Hooded Parrakeet (*Psephotus cucullatus*).—This beautiful bird has been described as very sensitive to cold, but I have found that, provided it is well protected from draughts and cold winds, it is by no means impossible to winter it without artificial heat. It is, however, fatal to allow it to nest at a low temperature, as the hens are very subject to egg-binding, and many are lost from this cause. On leaving the nest the young of both sexes resemble the female in their sober coloration, though the young cocks always show a trace more blue on the cheeks and breast. Adult plumage is assumed during the course of the first moult, when the birds are about ten months old. Hooded Parrakeets are not quite so susceptible to septic fever as are their near relatives.

An Anomaly in Classification.

Blue-bonnet Parrakeet (*Psephotus xanthorrhous*).—A very aberrant *Psephotus* which really deserves to be placed in a genus of its own. Why this bird should be classed with species to which it has a very remote affinity, and that most typical *Polytelis* the Queen Alexandra Parrakeet separated from its two near relatives for the very insufficient reason that the adult cock possesses one primary feather somewhat peculiarly shaped at the tip, is one of the mysteries of scientific classification which are most difficult to account for. Cock and hen, Blue-bonnets are alike in colour, but the latter have rather smaller heads, and are less perky and assertive in their demeanour. Blue-bonnets are the hardiest of all Australian Parrakeets, and can safely be turned out of doors at any time of year. They are, however, highly susceptible to septic fever and Grey Parrot fever, the germs of which they cannot resist even when in the most perfect health and condition. In disposition they are excessively spiteful both towards Parrakeets and birds of other orders. When tame they make nice pets, but usually bestow their affections on one person only. When given their liberty they are apt to stray during the first few weeks, but after that they generally stay well. They seldom fall victims to Owls, and are able to live for many days even during the winter on what they pick up for themselves in the woods and fields. Blue-bonnets should be fed like the other *Psephoti*, but it is not wise to allow them much hemp unless they are flying at large.

Red-vented Blue-bonnet (*Psephotus haematorrhous*).—Differs from the common variety in the possession of red feathers under the tail and a reddish chestnut or maroon patch on the wings. Both kinds have a red patch on the abdomen. *P. haematorrhous* has little claim to be considered anything but a local variety of the common Blue-bonnet, and birds showing intermediate characteristics are often met with.

As Beautiful as Rare.

Neophemas Parrakeets.—These beautiful little grass Parrakeets are now rarely imported, and it appears only too likely that some of the most lovely species are nearly or quite extinct. They should be fed on white and spray millet, grass seed and canary seed. A few of the larger seeds will do no harm, but they seldom seem to care for them. Grass Parrakeets are very peaceable with other birds, but are rather more sensitive to cold than the *platycerci*.

Elegant Grass Parrakeet (*Neophema elegans*).—The largest of the group, and, like all its relatives, highly susceptible to septic fever. It is very fond of grass and other green food. The hen has less blue on the forehead than her mate.

Blue-winged Grass-Parrakeet (*Neophema venusta*), also called "Blue-banded Grass-Parrakeet." Very like the Elegant, but of a duller, darker and less golden green, and with more blue on the wing. The hen has much less blue on her forehead than the cock—often only the merest trace—and young birds are less blue on the wing than old ones. Gould asserts that in *N. elegans* the blue frontal band extends behind the eye, and in *N. venusta* it does not, but the distinction only applies to adult cocks, as I have seen no hen *elegans* in which the frontal band did not stop on reaching the eye.

An Opportunity Missed.

Turquoisine Grass-Parrakeet (*Neophema pulchella*).—A very distinct species in which the markings are different from those of its commoner green relatives. The cock is readily distinguishable from the hen by the possession of a small chestnut patch on the wings. The Turquoisine appears to be on the verge of extinction, a lamentable circumstance for which aviculturalists both in England and on the Continent are much to blame, as the bird was at one time freely imported, and bred so readily in captivity that it might easily have been preserved in a state of semi-domestication.

Bourke's Parrakeet (*Neophema bourkei*).—A fairly hardy little bird, rather less subject to septic fever than others of the genus. Some adult cocks have a broad blue band across the forehead, but in others this is nearly or entirely absent, and the sexes may be most difficult to distinguish as they are of exactly the same size. Bourkes, especially when young, are very apt to dash themselves violently against the sides of their aviary in moments of sudden panic, and all glass and wire netting affording facilities for this method of suicide should be protected by string netting or sacking. Bourkes are not so fond of green food as their near relatives, and a constant supply is not necessary when they are not breeding. Nesting pairs are best kept separate; I have had birds killed through fighting with others at this time.

New Zealand Parrakeet (*Cyanorhampus novæ-zealandiæ*).—A gentle and beautiful bird, now hardly ever imported. It should be treated like an ordinary Broadtail, but should not be exposed to too much cold.

Pyrrhulopsis Parrakeets.—A small genus of large, brilliant Parrakeets, all of which are rare in captivity. They should be fed and treated like the *Aprosmicti*, and a large supply of fruit is indispensable to their health. The sexes are much alike in colour. The Masked, Tabuan, and shining Parrakeets are the best known if not the only members of the genus, the two latter being much alike, but while the Tabuan Parrakeet has a maroon head and breast, in the Red-shining Parrakeet the maroon is replaced by bright crimson.

Here ends what we have no hesitation in describing as the most comprehensive article on Parrot keeping that has ever been written, and on behalf of our readers we tender our thanks to the author, the Marquis of Tavistock, and to the hon. editor of the "Avicultural Magazine," Mr. H. D. Astley, for permission to republish the very helpful information.—Editor Cage Birds.

The Craze for Size in Norwich Plainheads.

A Plymouth fancier, Mr. A. B. Brown, gives his views on this burning question.

I HAVE read the correspondence on "The Norwich Plainhead, and how to improve it," with disappointment, for in it I had hoped to see much which would aid the breeder, and especially the young fancier, in the development of his hobby.

I cannot see why the Crest-bred, the Lancashire Plainhead, or the Norwich Cinnamon should be necessary for the increase of size in the Norwich Plainhead, nor why these birds should be considered necessary to get large heads, better feather, increased colour, or any other quality, to improve the Norwich.

What was the cause of size in the Lancashire Plainhead, the Crest-bred, and the Cinnamon? Were they always such big, bonny birds? Did the grand Crests we see now-a-days get to such proportions in the natural course of events? How did the Cinnamon change his dull drab coat, and grow from a small insignificant, puny, red eyed, sickly specimen of a bird to one of seven inches long, stoutly proportioned, and a blaze of golden colour?

If the Norwich has deteriorated at all, we can be certain of one thing, it is not owing to judges who judge to the Standard, as set by the Southern Norwich Plainhead Club, but rather to the breeders who have not been sufficiently good in their judgment when pairing up their stock for breeding. Had the same care been taken in the selection of Norwich Plainhead stock birds as with the Lancashire, the Crest, Crest-bred, and the Cinnamon, by breeders who mated the birds year by year, in the gradual improvement or growth, there would now be no need for the correspondence deploring the degeneration of the Norwich Plainhead, and the desire of information for its improvement.

To those whose birds are lacking size I would advise a change of stock. There are plenty of suitable birds, but mind where you buy them. See they come from a breeder who has a good average of desirable birds. A reputation for good is not built in a day. And many winners have had no connection with the exhibitor previous to the show season.

If the fancier cannot see his way to pay for the ready-made stock bird, he should choose only the best of his own stock, weeding out all which do not approach a good standard of size, and in the case of other defects he should take the same drastic measure. If he has plenty of patience and skill, coupled with a strong will, he may by concentration on particular points, gradually improve his stock to such an extent as to be able to rely on a fair average of winners each season.

Why should any breeder throw away year after year in trying to breed six and half inches of Canary, out of two birds whose combined length is nine inches? It is all very well to argue twice four and half are nine. It will take many years of such argument to make this sum prove of value when estimating the size of the young when pairing up the future parents, and it is at pairing up time that the successful breeder has many such sums to work out before he can count on a fair measure of success.

However, should such a large bird be the result of pairing up small parents, care should be taken to select a suitable mate, and it is then more than likely that more non flights of this size will be available for the following season. The practice of mating only large birds should be persisted in until size is well established, and once this object is attained it is very unlikely the breeder would allow them to get smaller.

With regard to other points, I offer the same suggestion. Get your stock from a well known breeder who is reliable. As I stated, reputations are not made in a day. Pay a fair price for the use of his patient foresight and brain. It's no use bargain hunting in this class of goods: the best are cheapest. Failing this, breed your own, and patiently await development.

Size can be got quickly from the use of the Lancashire and Crest bred, but for one success there are many failures. I have no objection to showing a good Norwich against these big birds, providing it is in a class for stock birds, but I do object to showing a six and half inch Norwich, typical, good colour, and the correct angle, against a bird of any cross, or pure-bred Norwich, for that matter, which may be of equal merit in every way but half an inch, or a quarter inch bigger than the standard size for show birds.

My reason is this: the ambition of every breeder is to breed the ideal Norwich Plainhead, the size of which is governed by the Plainhead Club. When the birds are paired up, this six-and-half inches standard is in the mind of the breeder. Should he breed the ideal bird it should take precedence over any other not up to that standard, and I consider any bird exceeding that length should be penalised equally with the bird which fails to reach the standard. According to the rules, there really is no place for this giant beyond the breeding room, as he exceeds six and half inches in length.

The fancier who has used the outside cross to obtain size, and is successful with type and colour, I acknowledge as a superior breeder. His must have been a long, patient, uphill struggle, his disappointments manifold, and the results of each season must have been awaited with trepidation; anything expected, from Crest to horns, and many a forsaken nest.

I would warn the new beginner against adopting either the Lancashire or the Crest-bred cross. In the case of the Lancashire, big long birds are got, pale in colour, and with rough horny heads, beetling eye brows, and the abominations of the Norwich show themselves in round shoulders and dropped tails.

Place a good sized Crest-bred hen by the side of a good sized Norwich hen, compare the points as we desire them for progressive Norwich breeding, count up the cost, and the Crest-bred will be left to the Crest breeders for their sole use. It would take years of patient labour, and millions of sighs, before the desired colour could be obtained from these crosses, and we should be old, worn, and grey-headed, before we got rid of the loose under-tail coverts, slack thighs, etc. After all, we are not all of us permitted to lease the earth for three score years and ten of Canary breeding.

Correspondence.

Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids.

The Young Doing Well.

SIR,—I am pleased to say that my Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids are still alive and doing well. They are now feeding themselves and the Blackbird is down on another 4 eggs. They are beginning now to show their parentage well and so far as I can see they will moult with a real Blackbird back and tail and the Thrush breast. I will be pleased to send you an account of the rearing and breeding for your next issue.

T. H. ANDERSON.

Campbell Street, Darvel.

SIR,—I have visited Mr. T. H. Anderson's aviary, Campbell Street, Darvel, and have seen the two Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids. Both are doing well, and appear in colour and markings to follow the male parent; they are nicely mottled on breast, with a tendency to show dark flights and tail. I am a frequent visitor to Mr. Anderson's aviary, both of us being members of the local Cage Bird Association, and I can vouch for the cross, as he has no male Blackbird on his premises.

ALEX. BEATON.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Bird Villains.

SIR.—Apropos of Mr. Bart Kennedy's interesting article in CAGE BIRDS of May 22, I am sending you a copy of a letter written by a correspondent of the "Yorkshire Observer." It is as follows:—"A bird recognises in a Crow or Magpie a natural enemy. Its intentions are declared; it sails under the skull and crossbones. But the Rook has not yet got among the birds the reputation he deserves. If a Rook comes near, other birds do not mob it to try to drive it away. Their confidence in its honesty proves their undoing. A few years ago there was a Blackbird's nest in some pea sticks that leaned up against some posts and rails in my garden. I was rejoiced at its presence and refrained from using the sticks, although I needed them. A day or two after I saw two or three Rooks down in the shrubs of a neighbouring plantation. I investigated and saw a Rook fly out with a Thrush's egg in its beak. I at once thought of my Blackbird's nest, and presently saw a Rook perched on the post above the sticks looking down at the nest. No damage was done, for the bird was still sitting on her nest. I covered the most exposed approaches with wire netting, and after a time three of the five eggs were hatched. When the young birds flew I was at liberty to make use of the sticks and did so straight away. Thus the nest with its two addled eggs was soon exposed to view. My back had hardly been turned when those eggs were gone—a Rook had had them."

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SIR, In answer to Mr. Allsopp, I must say I cannot prove what he requires simply because scores of fanciers have introduced the Crest cross unknowingly, by purchasing specimens with the desired properties manufactured for them. If you ask such breeders about it they declare they have never had a Crest-bred in their room. Invariably, when you ask have they never purchased anything with more size and head properties, they say "Oh yes." But, Mr. Allsop, I can do the next best thing; I can prove they can be bred this way, and if you are ever in Birmingham I will show you a sample.

J. BASTOCK.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

SIR.—I have read J. W. Saywell's letter with wonder, for a more amazing set of exaggerations was surely never heard; that is putting it mildly. He has done a lot of lashing out, and not once hit the mark. J. W. S. says I am "beginning to climb down." How so? My letter was the first one I have ever written on the subject. He says he has had twenty years' experience. Then he must have started when in long clothes, judging by appearances. He keeps all kinds of birds from Linnets to Sunbirds; also Mules; also has bred Hybrids. Well, well, we live in amazing times. But, Mr. Editor, what has all this to do with "White Rose"? I can only repeat my previous letter; let us have opinions from Hybrid fanciers of experience.

MANSFIELD.

SIR,—I suppose many readers of these columns have seen the story of "White Rose" discussed before. Perhaps J. Craig may be a novice and only recently started taking CAGE BIRDS, or he may unfortunately be gifted with a short memory. If he has a copy of CAGE BIRDS for December 6, 1913 (if not, I think he can yet be supplied), that's a long time for some people with wooden spoons to remember, he will find a challenge from the undersigned for £5 to £50, and that is surely a sporting margin. Let Paddy have a trifle in, for he must be getting dry; but he isn't Irish, Mr. Saywell. He has not the pluck of an Irishman, and he doesn't have to spend so much train fare to see how much he can have in the supper. I never make a practice of putting all my eggs in one basket. Paddy may want a few, so I will leave it to the specialist clubs to appoint any number of judges, from 6 to 12, and there must be enough deposited to pay all the expenses of those selected. This challenge has never been cancelled; but don't neglect the Government work. Kaiser Bill may want a mascot before long. I will remember Paddy.

R. D. PARLETT.

SIR,—I trust you will again allow me to trespass on your valuable space in answer to Mr. J. W. Saywell. He thinks my letter was the limit; I can say that we in this town, and I am expressing the views of several other fanciers, thought the limit had been reached when he entered into this correspondence. I did not know he had the monopoly in this district, otherwise I would not have written. I can mention the names of eight known fanciers who can bear me out as to Mr. J. W. S.'s remarks at the time I stated. He states it would be difficult to find where he made anyone look small. In his letter he states "There are too many men posing as judges who don't know as much about birds as the exhibitors themselves," and later he states "At the next show at which it appears he should ask any schoolboy that happens to be in the show; he will certainly tell him." Well, on second thoughts I should not call this looking small, but an insult to our present day judges and a life-long fancier; but Mr. J. W. S. is not consistent, as in another paragraph he asks "Does he think they (the judges) have not the courage of their own convictions?" If his judgment, after twenty years, is equal to his contradictory statements, the Fancy will well know the conclusions to be drawn from his letters. I should like to ask you, Mr. Editor, would it be possible when the next show season comes round to get several of the B.B. and M. Club judges to examine the bird, with Mr. Parlett's permission, and send you their written statements for publication in your extensively read paper. I should just like to mention in conclusion that I have several pairs matched up in the way it is stated the parents of White Rose were matched, and I only hope I may be successful in breeding another "sensation."

HYSON GREEN.

When Was the First Open Show?

SIR,—In the report of the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A. my old friend Mr. Clegg is reported to have said that the first open show held at Manchester was in 1883. This is not quite correct, for I myself exhibited at a show held in the Cotton Waste Exchange, Manchester, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 31, 1874, and January 1 and 2, 1875. The show was got up by fanciers from Manchester, Rochdale, Oldham, and surrounding towns. Each member, and I was one of them, paid 26s. Mr. W. Evans, Lower Broughton, Manchester, was the Secretary, and the judges were J. Beeson, Derby, and J. Gough, Huddersfield. I am sorry to say the show was a great failure, chiefly owing to the weather, for three more miserable show days I think I never saw. We lost all the money we had paid, and more besides, so there were no more shows held under the share system. The show was open to competition for the United Kingdom. There were 35 classes in all, but there were no novice classes in those days. This being the first All-England show I exhibited at, I kept the catalogue, and have it at the present day

LEVI BUTTERWORTH.

The Evolution of Birds.

SIR.—Some months ago a discussion (in which I took part) took place in the columns of CAGE BIRDS, regarding the reptilian origin of birds. I was to-day reading the work "Bird Life," by the well-known naturalist, Mr. Pycraft. The book is not altogether free from inaccuracy, but the concluding chapter is very interesting, and I would heartily commend it to all who were interested in the problem.

As far as I remember, the opponents of the theory of evolution maintained that no process that mankind has not actually witnessed is worthy of serious consideration, and that birds and reptiles could not be nearly related, because the modern representatives of the two orders will not interbreed. It might as reasonably be maintained that coal is not derived from antediluvian forests because mankind never saw those forests growing, nor witnessed the process of their fossilization; or that a toy Pomeranian dog and a St. Bernard have not a common ancestor, because they cannot interbreed successfully. It is in the highest degree improbable that any modern reptile would breed with a reptile of the Jurassic period, any more than a bird could, but that does not alter the fact that modern birds and modern reptiles are both descended from creatures unmistakably reptilian, and from which, during the process of ages so immeasurable that the history of mankind is but as a day in comparison, they have become so altered by various modifying forces of climate, environment, etc., as to be incapable of hybridization either with each other or with their progenitors. When we bear in mind the fact that owing to artificial selection (which is a distorted and modified form of evolution) certain breeds of domestic animals are wholly or practically incapable of inter-breeding either with each other or the wild parent stock, we can easily understand how the changing and modifying forces of nature can in an infinitely longer period bring about a rather similar result. For evidence of the changes which took place we have the fossilized remains of the creatures which inhabited the earth at different periods of its history.

E. K. WELLS.

[We have published the above letter, as the subject, when it was being discussed in our columns, aroused very considerable interest. It took up so much space, however, that we had to hold over several letters upon the matter, and we think it was so fully dealt with that it would not be advisable to re-open the discussion. Readers would do well to consult the work mentioned by our correspondent.—(Editor).]

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FEATHERSTONE.

First Linnet singing contest, Featherstone Hotel, May 24; 28 birds entered, and some good singing was done. 1, 6, Scott; 2, Wingham; 3, Beard; 4, 5, Nelson. Open sing at same place, first Sat. in June. —F. Bull, Sec. (Please send address.—Ed.)

BLACKBURN.

Open Linnet singing contest for quality, club headquarters, Empire Hotel, Bolton Road, May 22; 37 birds competed for six prizes; 1, Dobson; 2, Pickering; 3, 5, Topping; 4, Righy; 6. Statham. Next contest June 5, members only, for cup and other prizes.—T. Hayhurst, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Kippax Linnet Club, Headquarters, Commercial Hotel. Members' special sing, May 22, for five prizes. 30 birds entered. 1, 3, Collinson; 2, Lightfoot; 4, Potter; 5, J. Cooper. Timekeepers, J. Cooper, O. Potter; tappers, A. Cooper, W. Perkin. This is the first time that T. Lightfoot's bird has scored; we congratulate him on his success, as he is a novice to Linnet contests, and we hope he will be successful in the coming contest.—R. Plows, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Club sing, May 22, 49 birds entered for 22 prizes, four minutes' time singing. Pugh, 1, 3, 13; Beard, 2, 5, 15, 17; Nelson, 4; Scotson, 6; Jones, 6, 10, 14; Wingham, 8, 11, 20; Clayton, 9, 2, 1; Blackshear, 11, 12, 18; Bull, 19, 22. Open sing May 5; 39 entered for four prizes, three minues' time singing. 1, Nelson; 2, Williams; 3, Evans; 4 shared, Pugh and Beard.—S. Pugh, Sec.

Country Rambles

SITTINGBOURNE C.B.S.

Annual ramble, May 23. A fairly good number turned up, and weather was grand. Not many young were found, but plenty of nests with eggs. First find went to Mr. Copping, a nest of young Thrushes. Second find to Mr. Ivory, nest of Pheasants' eggs; third, T. Monday, nest of Linnets, four eggs. Many other nests were found, and altogether we had a very enjoyable ramble.—T. Monday, Sec.

EAST HAM C.B.S.

On Sunday, May 16, the members had their annual ramble to Laindon. Again there was a very good muster and well over a hundred nests were inspected containing eggs and young birds of different ages. Among the most notable finds was a Nightingale sitting on three young ones, its mate a little further away filling the air with its lovely song. After a good tramp the members returned to the Laindon Hotel, where a hearty meat tea was enjoyed. After tea an impromptu cricket match was indulged in, the Norwich men beating the British and Border men by 62 runs to 34. We then went back to the Hotel and had a musical evening before returning to East Ham, having had one of the best outings since the Society began. Special mention must be made of our host, Mr. Holman, who made us very comfortable and greatly added to the pleasure of the party. The Secretary would be glad to hear from intending members at his address, 34, Dorset-rd., Katherine-rd., East Ham, where full particulars can be obtained.—F. Onslow, Hon. Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

Ramble to Awns and Dendles, May 9. The party, consisting of 26 members and friends, met at Millbay Station, then by motor to Cornwood. A walk along the road gave them an opportunity to search the hedges for bird life, and the first nest to be noticed was that of the Blackbird. After entering the Awns and Dendles the nests of Linnets, Finches and Tits were to be seen, and an argument took place as to the builders of the nests in the arm of a tree with very small eggs, something like those of the Wren. During a repast, to which full justice was done, the toast of the W.C.O.S. was proposed hy Mr. Craven, seconded by Mr. Lugg, who dwelt on the benefit of these rambles, giving an insight into Nature for further use in the birdroom; and a presentation was made to the worthy Chairman (Mr. French), who, in a few well chosen words, responded to the toast. Further walks completed a very enjoyable day.—W. Luscombe.

WEST BROMWICH C.B.S.

The annual ramble, May 16, was participated in by seven members only; this, no douht, was caused hy the demands on munition workers, and incidentally the weather, which was very unpromising when time for starting came; though fortunately it cleared later and was ideal. Mr. Jefferies, Harborne, of Nightingale fame, was the conductor, and right well did he succeed. As the ramble was in conjunction with the lecture on British birds given before this society, it proved most instructive. Our destination was Alberley Valley, Bewdley, Arley and surrounding districts. Arriving at Kidale Station we were met hy Mr. Jefferies and two other fanciers, Mr. Gibbon and friend. Then hy waggonette to the valley, where bird life was in abundance. The first rare find was a Whinchat's nest with five eggs; this nest took more than five minutes to find after we had seen hen leave the place. It was built low to ground and covered with dead leaves, and had the hen stuck to her post it would have been almost impossible to locate. It was some time before any other nests were found. Linnets' nests were in galore, and another interesting find was a Stonechat's. A move was then made to Arley by a circuitous route through Trimperley, and here again bird life was abundant and many nests of various species were located, some with young and eggs in various stages. A rest was called and refreshment taken in an orchard with trees in full blossom, giving enjoyment to all. A Wren was here noticed building her nest in a thick creeper. Another move was made for Arley. This led through beautiful wooded scenery with all sorts of bird life, and a most interesting and instructive part of the programme occurred here. Ant-hills were in abundance, and our guide explained the method of collecting their "eggs." He estimated that it would be possible in one day alone in those particular woods to gather enough to last a fair number of birds the whole season. Then came the tit-bit of the day, viz., the locating of the Nightingale, which we were very fortunate in doing. This occurred at Arley, on the river side, and he was good enough to give us a song, but we were disappointed in not finding his nest, though our guide was most anxious to locate it. From here onward was a walk of a mile and half along the riverside, and here again our guide came in; he pointed out many interesting nests which he had located the previous week-end, including Nut-hatch, Tree-creeper, White Owl, Willow Wren, Blackbird, Thrush, and others. Arriving at our destination for tea, a real good meat tea was laid ready, and right well did the party do justice to it. Whilst partaking, we again heard the Nightingale's Song. This time it was by phonograph, and for sweetness not to be compared with the little brown songster's own notes. When a start was made for home unfortunately the weather broke down, but everyone was pleased with the outing. The best thanks of the members are due to Mr. Jefferies for the able way he made all arrangements. Anyone who would wish to join Mr. Jefferies in one of his rambles would be welcome; no more instructive and pleasant tutor would be possible; his address is 1, Vicarage Road, Harborne.—W. G. Andrews, Hon Sec.

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Club Reports.

LONDON C.B.A.

Meeting May 11, at headquarters. After general business, Mr. Robson gave his promised lecture on "General Management of Canaries," which proved interesting and instructive to visitors and members present, Mr. Robson dealing with his subject in a very able manner. After a short discussion a hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Robson, to which he ably replied.—A. Wallington.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Meeting, West-End Bar, May 15, Mr. M. Smith presiding. The annual ramble has been fixed for Blairadam; leave Lochgelly Cross at 9 (date not stated—Ed.). Mr. R. Campbell judged Table Show of British. Almost 30 birds were staged. H.M.: 1, 4, Grewar; 2, McGregor; 3, Adamson. F.M.: 1, Grewar; 2, Muir; 3, Adamson; 4, Raith.—R. Muir, Sec.

WARRINGTON C.B.S.

Meeting, headquarters, April 29, Mr. Rice chair. Schedule for Annual Show was considered and it was decided to adopt the same classification as last year, except that Champion unflighted classes for both Yorkshire and Norwich be divided into yellows and buffs separately. Total classes, 49: Yorks. 12 (6 Nov.), Norwich 12 (6 Nov.), Borders 10, A.O.V. 1, Selling 3, Mule and Hybrid 3, British 8. A Table Show for British was held and a good number of birds were on view. Mr. J. D. Leigh judged. H.M. Section: 1, Clare, Redpoll; 2, Nelson, Linnet. F.M.: 1, Clare, Greenf.: 2, Warburton, Twite. A vote of thanks to Mr. Leigh concluded a very business-like and enjoyable evening.—H. Warburton, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH LONDON COL. AND F.A.

Meeting, headquarters, May 13, Mr. G. A. Jeffreys chair, and a fair number present. A considerable amount of business was got through before we arrived at the tit-bit of the evening, viz., a lecture on "Canary Management," by Mr. J. S. Fairman, the well-known breeder and exhibitor of Yorkshires. Mr. Fairman proceeded to explain his methods in a manner which proved he was master of his subject, taking his audience through the various seasons, and crowding a lot of useful information into the short time at his disposal. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Fairman, to which he suitably feplied, and a very pleasant and instructive evening came to a close.—Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec.

MANCHESTER (Central Social Club).

Social and supper, May 8, 32 Victoria-st., City. A large number of members (and better-halves) and friends turned up and were entertained to a capital programme. The artists were of the first water. Mr. E. Fulcher took the chair, a position which he admirably carried out. The concert was opened by Mr. F. Kott with a selection on the piano followed by Mr. C. Welsh (baritone), Miss Turner (soprano), Mr. F. Meadowcroft (humourist), Mr. Riley (accompanist), Miss L. Welch (contralto), Mr. Schofield (tenor), Mr. Griffiths (concertina solo). The company then adjourned for supper, at which ladies were treated to an unusual experience, being waited on by the gentlemen. Special mention must be made of the waiters, Mr. W. Turner, with a knife in one hand, spoon in another, and a plate of boe potato-pie in the—sorry, he passed it on to Messrs. Lewis, Critchley, J. James, H. James and some other members, who were so active that their names have got omitted from the list of "waiters." We were very pleased to see our Mr. W. Smith snatch a few minutes from business and give us a look in for a song or two, and, of course, his supper. (His better-half's turn next time!) Mr. H. Clayton gave a lady's hat to be drawn for by the ladies, and Miss Turner was the fortunate winner. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" concluded a most enjoyable programme. Afterwards we made several new members.—R. J. Metcalfe, Sec.

WALLSEND (Mid Tyne) C.B.A.

General meeting, Station Hotel, May 14, before a good attendance. Mr. R. McKie, chair. Classification for N.F. show (31 classes), July 17, was carried, and members present were highly satisfied. Mr. T. Crawhall, Newcastle, will judge. New members elected, making a membership of 64: Messrs. McGinn, McNeal, Craggs, and Ender. Fanciers about here are having very bad luck in breeding; young dying, hens not feeding, and hens not sitting. W. Studholme, 13 Yorks.; T. Doughty, 12; Scott, 12; McKie, 4; McNeil, 8; Coutts, 20; Nor.: Craig, 15; Parker, 10; Montgomery, 16; White, 16; Stephenson, 12, Greenwell, 9; Brown, 20; and Johnson, 29; Borders. We hope other fanciers are having better luck. Subs. are now due.—G. Greenwell.

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WEST STANLEY (Empire).

Meeting, May 16; Mr. R. Peart, chair, and a good turn-up of members. Decided to leave the schedule over till next month. We have decided to go on with the trips to Dairy and Scottish National shows. Will secretaries in the district kindly put it before their members to join us, as we would like as many as possible to go? Any fancier can go with us. Wishing all a successful season.—R. Hutchinson, Sec.

SHETTLESTON AND DIST. C.B.S.

Meeting, Good Templar's Hall, May 8, Mr. E. Taylor presiding. New members accepted, Messrs. D. Taylor, H. Cox, W. McLaren, A. Frazer and A. Graham. Mr. J. Johnstone was appointed member of Committee. F.F. Show to be held in Good Templar's Hall, July 10, at 3, entry 3d. per bird, admission 2d., drawings to be divided amongst 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class. Annual show fixed for Dec. 11. Next meeting, appointing judges for Annual Show, a good turnout is requested. Subs. now due. —S. F. Wood, Sec.

EAST HAM C.B.S.

On May 13, Mr. Robson lectured on "General Management of the Bird-room." There were a good many members present, and all thoroughly enjoyed the lecture and took notes of the hints that were given. Among the most important ones were the filling up of nests from one where there were only one or two young birds, and thus leaving free the parent birds to lay another clutch. The feeding of the young and the giving of greenstuff were discussed, and after numerous questions had been asked and answered the lecturer was accorded a hearty vote of thanks.—F. Onslow, Hon. Sec.

EAST HAM F.S.

Meeting May 20. Members and friends were entertained to a pleasant and instructive lecture by Mr. Gardner, who dealt fully with the value of in-breeding as a means to attain, in conjunction with face value, a specimen fit to show at any exhibition. Resolved that an egg collection on behalf of wounded soldiers in East Ham Hospital take place on Sat., May 29; all members are asked to make the collection a success. Second monthly show, Earl of Wakefield, May 29, exhibits staged 4.45. Show open to the public free at 6. During the evening silver spoons won at first monthly show will be presented by Mr. C. E. Mills, chairman of East Ham R.A. New member, Mr. A. Dickson, 71, Claud-rd., Upton Park, E.—W. A. Harwood, Hon. Sec. (Kindly write on one side only of each sheet of paper used.—Editor.)

WEST STANLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, May 15, when a few old fanciers got together and resolved to carry on this old-established society, as it would be a pity to see it go down, as it is situated in such a big district with crowds of birdy men. We have a grand hall for a show, a splendid cup to be competed for with 3 nominated young birds, and scores of specials to be had just for the asking. The Society is in entirely new hands, who intend to make it go. Mr. G. F. Bates was elected chairman and W. Cresswell Sec. The sub. is 4/- per year and 1/- to join. We would like to see all old members each bring a new one to next meeting, June 12, to select a date for Annual Show and nominate judges.—W. Cresswell, Sec., 34, Doverterr., South Moor, Stanley, Durham.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.

Meeting, May 15, Colliery Inn, Mr. C. Mitchell chair, and a good turn up of members and friends. Decided to hold Annual Show, Dec. 18. Judges nominated: A. Holden, A. Brown, W. Reid, J. Hands, H. Seely, J. Riseborough. Decided to have two Table Shows, the first to be held June 12, at the club-room, Burnhope, Mr. G. Lane judge. Classes: Nor., Bord., Yorks., A.O.V. Can. all 1915, Canary (old bird), Linnet, H. or F.M., Redpoll, A.O. Hardhill, A.V. Softbill. Birds staged at 4. Mr. Lane entertained us by putting 3 birds through the wash and gave some useful hints which were thankfully received. He was also fired with a volley of questions which he ably answered, and closing time brought a very enjoyable evening to an end with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Lane.—J. W. Robson, Sec.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

Meeting May 4, St. Thomas's Schools, Ardwick, Mr. A. E. Thorpe presided over a good attendance. After the election of two new members, other business was deferred to next meeting. The chief attraction was a lecture by Mr. J. W. Cutmore (Liverpool), entitled "British Birds that are kept by Avieulturists and Fanciers," illustrated by a large collection of skins of British birds, many of which had taken premier honours at shows for their previous owners. He described the way to skin a bird, also the treatment of the skin to preserve it for many years. He showed the variation of the plumage in the different seasons both in the wild state and those moulted by fanciers. Mr. Cutmore mentioned the Finch family separately, and incidentally touched upon the House Sparrow, Tree Sparrow, Wild Canary, Serin Finch, Snow Buntings, and many softbills. After an interesting lecture many questions were dealt with by Mr. Cutmore, and a vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer.—J. Spencer, Hon. Sec.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting May 6, headquarters, Duke of York. Mr. J. A. Tonks presided over a good attendance. The chief item was a lecture on the Norwich Plainhead by Mr. F. J. Weaver, and those who were not there missed a treat. The lecturer said he would give no note whatever of bird-room appliances, as he said those could be got by looking through CAGE BIRDS. He said Norwich 10 years ago were more even than they were at present, being very typical, but on the small side, so fanciers should set about to improve them. Judges have been in a difficult position for three or four years, but now, he was pleased to say, birds on the show bench are bigger and better than they ever have been. He also touched on the two yellow cocks exhibited by Mr. P. V. Williams, as from what he has learnt both are pure Norwich bred. He said there is still something lacking now in the bird, that is alertness, which used to make the Norwich most attractive in the show room. Mr. Weaver said working men were better placed to-day than they were 10 years ago in getting up a strain, as there were many good fanciers in the Midlands who were willing to give novices a start, and at a low figure, too. Many questions were asked, all of which were splendidly answered and explained. The lecturer pointed out to the novices what "depth" really was, and told them to steer clear of birds with bad heads, long flights, long sides and kinked tails. The most essential point of a show bird is to be well trained. On summing up he gave his real tit bit in saying that nothing beats a good little one better than a good big one. A hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer brought a pleasant evening to a close.—J. Gibbon, Press Correspondent.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

Meeting May 15. A very instructive lecture on the ailments of Canaries was given by one of our oldest members, Mr. W. Gledhill. There was a good muster present, and all were well satisfied with the way the subject was dealt with. Two new members were elected, making us now 62 altogether.—A. Lawford, Sec.

OXHILL (Central Workmen's Club) C.B.F. AND F.S.

Meeting. Mr. R. Rowell (Bebside) was elected to judge cage birds at annual show Jan. 15-16. We have a good hall capable of holding some 300 exhibits, and with a little more light the exhibits could be shown to great advantage. Since our last show several members of the Club and Institute have been elected, and this should be beneficial, as our show is confined to members. I think it would be wise to consider the advisability of having two or three open classes.—Wm. J. Platten, Sec.

PLYMOUTH W. COUNTIES O.S.

Meeting, May 18, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley Street Mr. French chair. A pleasant evening was spent in asking and answering questions, some very instructive questions were put to the members, and the answers should be of great value to all present. Arrangements for N.F. show, June 2, were made. Classifications: Yell. Yorks., Buff do.; Yell. Nor., Buff do.; Crest and C.B.; Yell. Cinn., Buff do.; A.O.V. Can.; Light Mule, Dark do.; Goldf. or Bullf.; Linnet, Siskin, etc.; A.O. Seedeater; Insectiv.; Large For., Small do. Judges: Yorks., Cinn., and A.O.V., Mr. Cheney; Nor., Mr. Pope; Crest and C.B., Mr. Gill; Mules, Brit., and For., Mr. Pridham. Birds staged 7.30. One new member was elected. A vote of thanks brought the meeting to a close.—W. Luscombe.

FOREIGN BIRD EXHIBITORS LEAGUE.

Annual meeting, May 12, El Vino Cafe, Piccadilly Place. A fair gathering of enthusiasts attended, including Miss Lydia Clare and Mrs. B. J. Moore, Messrs. Cooper, Dewhurst, Frost, Frostick, Mannering, Maxwell, Robson, Shepherd, Shipton, Silver, Townsend, Trower, Wade, and Wynn. Voting results were read, and the new officers are: Treas., Miss Lydia Clare; auditors, Messrs. Cooper and Mannering; chair, Mr. Trower; committee, Mrs. Thynne, Messrs. Dewhurst, Frost, Frostick, Maxwell, Robson, Schluter, Shepherd, Shipton, and Townsend; hon. sec., Allen Silver, F.Z.S., 303, Streatham High Road, S.W. Provincial committee includes Miss Bousfield, J. Goodchild, F. Howe, J. C. W. Meadows, Col. Routh, R. J., C. H. Row, L. M. Wade, and R. J. Watts. Patrons and other office holders as before. Mr. Shepherd was thanked for his offer to provide a meeting room, and Mr. Frost for his offer to provide artist's fee in case of a show prize card design. An addition to the show rules was made to the effect that no show can be granted support that will not guarantee to pay prize money within 21 days of the show. Balance-sheet and show report accepted, and a considerable amount of business completed. In addition to paying their share of the loss on the joint show at Horticultural Hall, amounting to £14 2s. 3d., the League paid out £7 19s. in special prizes, and expended in one season, solely in the interests of foreign bird exhibiting, no less than £42 3s. 6d., an amount which has not been spent by any other society before on this branch of the hobby. At present it is almost impossible to hint as to the programme for next season, although it is pretty certain, should the war come to a close this year that next year a summer as well as a winter club show will be held. Members are asked to in no way relinquish their interest in the work of the society, and whenever possible to obtain new members. A hearty vote of thanks to retiring officials was unanimously passed.

LONDON AND P.O.S.

Meeting at headquarters, with a lecture on Foreign Birds by Mr. A. Silver, F.Z.S. Birdkeepers, he said, fight shy of foreigners, thinking they are expensive and hard to keep, whereas the ordinary Canary breeder could keep in perfect show condition a nice collection of foreigners at no greater expense than Canaries, the main features being common sense, good judgment, and avoidance of fads. There is an endless scope for variety, new species in normal times being imported every year, and most birds increase in value considerably after being kept a short time, some realising double their original cost. It is best for bird-keepers to become friendly with others interested in the hobby, thus getting the benefit of their experience, which is better and more instructive than book reading. Water Fowl, Quails, and many Partridges could be kept in suburban gardens and exhibited with ease. The nicest Parrots to keep were the Broad-tailed and Love-birds. There is no more brutal bird, especially to its own species, than the Lavender Finch; the Thrush group were also very aggressive. Virginian, Pope, and Green Cardinals supply action, colour and song, and are hardy and easy to cater for. Fly-catchers and Chats make most delightful pets; Tanagers supply colour, but no song. Typical Starlings show wonderful sheen and colour; no song, but plenty of screams. Mynahs have considerable conversational powers, and are not difficult to keep. Humming Birds are too expensive and difficult to keep for the taste of ordinary bird-keepers, although they had now been kept in this country for over twelve months by one of the most respected members of this Society. Woodpeckers, Nut-hatches, etc., are lively and handsomely coloured, but have not much song. The Eastern Nightingale and Shamah are both lovely songsters. The typical Mocking Bird has a marvellous song, but it is difficult to get a cock bird; Rock Thrushes are good singers. The Wilson and Hermit Thrushes, Canadian, have a glorious song, Wilsons being called the Swamp Angel owing to its beautiful song. Beautiful coloured plates illustrating the birds that Mr. Silver had spoken of were passed round, and many expressed the desire in the near future to go in for Foreign bird keeping. This brought a very interesting evening to a close. Next meeting, June 17th; young stock table show, with classes for British and Foreign, 6d. entry, returned as prizes on sliding scale. Special prizes have kindly been offered by Messrs. Crabb and Hodder. Any other member wishing to offer a special please let me know by June 7, so as to be in schedule.—H. L. Huggins, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CAUSE OF UNFERTILE EGGS (R.W.P.).—I do not quite understand what you mean by "ramping" the foot, unless you mean cramping. But even then I do not see how this can be responsible for the unfertile eggs, which are far more likely to be due to the cocks not being in very vigorous breeding condition, which, again, may be due to the rapid and extreme fluctuations we have had this season so far. As regards the feet bleeding, you should see that the perches are made of a nice soft pine wood, and of a suitable size for the birds to grip comfortably. Also bathe the feet once daily for a few days in a warm solution of extract of wych hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing for a few minutes, dry them, and sparingly anoint them with boracic ointment. You may also add ten drops of lemon juice and a crystal of sulphate of soda to the drinking water every second day for a week. To each pair, when they are going to nest again, give every second day a teaspoonful of egg food with about half this quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it, and on the intervening days give a growing stool of dandelion, the whole crown cut off just below the surface of the ground.

MRS. BERNARD & J.A.—Replied to by post.

STILL THICK AT TIMES (J. Smith).—The bird seems to have made some progress, seeing that she now has these intervals of activity, but it is useless thinking of mating her as long as she sits thick from time to time. As a matter of fact I doubt if she will be of any further use as a stock bird. Anyway, vary the treatment advised in last reply, and see what a week or two of this will do for her. Continue the same general treatment, but instead of the bread and milk give every second day a small teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days give a stool of dandelion, or a liberal supply of dandelion seed heads. In the drinking water add 20 drops of Chemical Food about every third day. Offer the bath four times a week now that the weather is more reliable, provided the bird does not appear badly affected after bathing. You might also examine the feet to see if there is any soreness, and if there is, treat them in the same way as advised to "R.W.P." in this issue, and also see that the perches are quite suitable.

...LAYING SOFT EGGS (Norwich Plainheads).—The hens are clearly thoroughly out of condition, and I doubt if they will ever be of any use for breeding stock. Your feeding is not correct, and may be a predisposing cause of the condition of the birds, though I fear there is something more than the dietetic error accountable for the whole condition. The first thing you should do is to look well into the conditions in which the birds are kept, and see that they are bright and well ventilated, free from damp and extreme fluctuations, and conducive to good health generally. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp (see that it is sound and sweet in the kernel), millet, niger, and teazle. On the alternate days for the next few weeks give a morsel of bread and milk or half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a fairly liberal supply of seedy chickweed, the tender tips of young groundsel, or watercress, but carefully avoid giving these birds dandelion at all. In the drinking water add 20 drops of Chemical Food four times a week for a month or so. Keep a piece of cuttlefish in the cage for the birds to peck at, and when the hens are about nesting again get a little old mortar and mash it up to a coarse powder, and strew it about on the cage floors on top of the covering of gritty sand.

AN OLD FRIEND (H. Jackson).—You might find details for exterminating red mites given in this column every few weeks for years past. Here it is again. Neither insect powders nor quassia alone are of any material use for this purpose. The mites harbour in and about the cages, and do not live on the bird. Consequently, the cages, not the birds, are the most important things to deal with to exterminate the pest. This should have been done before the birds commenced breeding, in the case of breeding stock, as it is not possible to do it properly now on account of disturbing the birds. The birds should be transferred to a temporary cage, and whilst there given a bath daily in which a few drops of essence of quassia has been mixed. Then thoroughly clean the cage inside and out, probing any open joints, cracks, or holes, with a pin, if necessary, on to a sheet of paper, and at once burn the rubbish. Next saturate it all over with a solution of camphor in paraffin, an ounce of the former to a half pint of the latter, using a small paint brush to work it well into the joints, crevices, etc., and place it in the open air to dry. Next day repeat the operations, and preferably repeat it all over again on the third day. Then when dry repaint, enamel, or distemper, as the case may be, the inside, and touch up the outside, and when the inside is quite dry you may return the bird. For some time after, touch the ends of the perches and any likely harbouring places with essence of quassia twice a week. Do not omit treating the nail, hook, or what it may be on which the cage is hung. If you do not mind renewing the stain and varnish on the cage you would find methylated spirit as a substitute for the paraffin much better.

HEN NOT FEEDING (Trier).—Next time the hen goes to nest leave the cock with her and see if she is any better at her duties in those circumstances. Possibly she will feed the young all right next time, and some hens will always feed better when the cock is with them, if they are indifferent feeders when he is absent. When the young are hatched give a small quantity of equal parts egg yolk and stale bread crumb, and sprinkle it lightly with maw seed. After the first day gradually bring the composition of the soft food to equal parts egg, bread crumb, and crushed sponge cake. Give a little spray of freshly gathered green food morning and afternoon from the second day, and gradually increase the quantity as the young get older, and also give it three times a day if convenient. If the hen shows signs of not feeding the young under these circumstances offer a teaspoonful of soaked summer rape every day, and also offer a bath in which you have dissolved a little common salt—sufficient to make the water taste faintly saline. If these methods fail I am afraid there is no other course open except transferring the young to another hen that will feed, or rearing them by hand.

YORKSHIRES OUTDOORS (H. H. M.).—Yes, it is quite possible for Yorkshires to be kept in a double-boarded shed out-of-doors all the year round, but it is desirable that birds for this purpose should have bred and reared prior to being turned out in normal conditions of temperature. But even the latter condition is not absolutely essential if the birds are first turned out about May, when the dregs of winter are past. In such circumstances, when it is not desired to breed, it is best to allow the birds freedom to fly at liberty. A covered-in portion is useful during the cold, wet months of winter, but if the shed does not include such a part, it would suffice to hang up a few large cages, with the doors fastened open, and the fronts partly covered, for the birds to roost or shelter in, if they wished to seek shelter from the cold, though they would probably not "turn a hair."

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154. Fleet Street, London, E.C.

A SQUATTER (Abnormal).—(1) The ovary of this hen is in an abnormal condition, possibly in an exhausted state from overwork last season. In any case it is just such a case that might be corrected by being able to complete a breeding cycle. Therefore, I would advise you to put a clutch of fertile eggs under her and allow her to incubate them and bring up the young in the ordinary way. After doing so it is quite probable that she will nest in a normal manner on her own account. (2) The sample of hemp is stale and rancid, and quite unfit to feed any class of Canaries, or indeed any other bird. The teazle is a fair sample, but it has rather a lot of "frass" remaining on it, which, however, is not an unusual thing with this seed, and although it looks somewhat disproportionate to the bulk of the seed, it really weighs exceedingly light, and is therefore not so much loss to the weight as may appear on a casual sight. But 90 per cent. is enormously greater than the proportion of waste that appears on the sample. If you mean that the birds waste that amount, then give only a pinch now and again as a change. It is not absolutely essential, if the birds have no taste for it, as I should say was the case with yours if they wasted it to the extent you name.

RETURNING THE COCK (Bosco, Watford).—The proper time to return the cock depends to a great extent upon the condition of the hen. You must keep an eye on her, and if you see that she is coming forward for laying again when the young are about three weeks old, as she did last year, you may return the cock in the evening when the young are a fortnight or up to seventeen or eighteen days old. Do not return him until you are fairly certain that the hen is about laying again soon, and after returning him keep a sharp eye on him to see if he molests the young. He may possibly take things as a matter of course and take over a share of feeding the brood, but on the other hand if he seriously molests them they will be old enough to be placed in a nursery and hung on the wires of the cage in such a position that the parents can reach them to feed them, but cannot materially damage them. Or, failing this, you may adopt the plan of allowing him to run with the hen for an hour or so each morning, which will quite suffice to ensure the full fertility of the eggs. Do not return him until the young are out of the nest, unless the return is rendered necessary by the forward condition of the hen.

FEEDING YORKSHIRE SONGSTERS (Iron).—The mixture you are now using will do very well for occasional use as a change, but for regular use a plainer mixture is advisable. Give a staple of three parts canary to one part summer rape, mixed together. In addition to this give a small teaspoonful of the mixture to each bird twice a week, and on one or two other days give a morsel of bread and milk, about the size of a hazel nut, sprinkled with soft sugar, or as a variant of this you may sometimes substitute half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, or a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts yolk of hard-boiled egg and bread crumb or crushed plain biscuit. Give a little green salad, any kind that is in season, daily throughout the summer months, and two or three times a week in winter. During the winter months you must be careful to avoid giving anything that is frosted or decaying, and when suitable greenstuff is not available you may substitute a morsel of some kind of sweet fruit—apple, banana, orange, pear, or raw or boiled carrot. Offer a bath daily in summer, and twice a week in winter.

REFUSED TO SIT (R. M. Round).—Sorry, but you can do nothing at all to make a hen sit if she has no desire to do so of her own accord. The probability is that a second clutch of eggs was developing, in which case she will very soon be laying again. The only way out of your last difficulty was to give the eggs to another hen that had just completed her clutch, or distribute them among two or three hens with small clutches which were just beginning to sit, to get them hatched and the young reared. You might still try this, if you have kept the eggs properly in a small box of bran, or similar material, and given them a half turn every morning and evening, provided they are not more than a fortnight old when this reply appears.

DEAD IN SHELL (P. A. F.).—It is not possible to say definitely what was the cause of the young being dead in the shells, although the hen appeared to sit so closely that she was not seen to leave the nest for more than a few seconds. It may have been due to weakness in the embryos, or, if the young were fully developed, to abnormally thick or strong shells or membranes. In the latter case it would have been helpful had you immersed the eggs in a cup of warm water for a few moments morning and evening on the thirteenth and fourteenth days. You should get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager would send you, post free, for 7d., wherein you will find full details as to the time and amount of interference permissible with young that need assistance in hatching.

SWEATING AND GOING LIGHT (F. W.).—(1) It seems clear that the failure of this hen to perform her maternal duties is due to sheer nervousness, and as she is young, and this is her first attempt, it is quite likely that she may improve in this respect by the time her next brood is hatched. Try removing the cock next time she begins to sit, taking him away on the evening of the third day when you return the eggs for her to commence sitting, and leave her to hatch out and rear the young by herself. When the young are hatched, give a small quantity of equal parts egg yolk and stale bread crumb, and sprinkle it lightly with maw seed. After the first day gradually bring the composition of the soft food to equal parts egg, bread crumb, and crushed sponge cake. Give a little spray of freshly-gathered green food morning and afternoon from the second day, and gradually increase the quantity as the young get older and also give it three times a day if convenient. If the hen shows signs of not feeding the young under these circumstances, offer a teaspoonful of soaked summer rape every day, and also offer a bath in which you have dissolved a little common salt, sufficient to make the water taste faintly saline. (2) Cage this hen alone and do not attempt to breed with her this season unless she makes a good and complete recovery. A flight cage in which she can get a fair amount of exercise would be best for her. Treat as follows. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Give separately every second day a piece of bread the size of a small walnut, soaked in cold milk, drained, three drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with maw seed. On the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of scalded rape twice a week, and on the remaining days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, niger, teazle and broken groats. Give three or four crisp young dandelion leaves daily. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food two days in every three for two or three weeks.

A CRIPPLED HEN (Amadis).—(1) It is only what might be expected for the hen to sit more than usually on the perch after losing her leg until she gets more accustomed to managing with only one, and that one has acquired some additional strength of muscle to compensate for the loss of its fellow, as it must do. But after a time, if the wound has made a good recovery she will doubtless show more energy and be able to get along better. During the fine summer months there is no reason why you should not give her a chance in the aviary, but it would be best to allow her to acquire a little skill in getting about on the leg before doing so, and then you should keep an eye on her for a time to see if the others worry her. Possibly they will not notice her, but only the test can make this point sure. There is practically no risk of her attempting to nest until she recovers some agility, and if she did so then, there is no reason why you should prevent her. (2) Give the Norwich cock a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it daily for a week, and every second day for another week after, and add to the water 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day for a fortnight. As he seems to have made a complete recovery from the bronchitis, there is no reason why you should not breed with him this season if you wish to do so.

YOUNG DISAPPEARED (F. B., Bristol).—There are certainly cases on record (plenty of them) to make the matter indisputable, of both the cock and hen eating the young after hatching, but this is just as certainly not the rule. It is, in fact, a somewhat rare occurrence, and shows an abnormal or depraved condition of the culprit. I note you say that no trace of the young could be found in the cage, so I take it you searched well after them, not only on the cage floor, but in the nest. Sometimes these apparently mysterious disappearances are very easily explained by the young remains being discovered after all in some unexpected way. But assuming they had really disappeared, there is no evidence which parent was the real culprit, though the cock is the one most to be suspected, and I would advise you to remove him when the hen commences to sit her next brood, and leave her to hatch out and rear them by herself.

NORWICH HENS SOFT (J.M.G.).—(1) A week or two of the following treatment will doubtless put this hen right. Give a staple of plain canary seed. Give separately in addition every second day for a fortnight a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and also half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of scalded summer rape and a morsel of banana. Give two crisp young leaves of dandelion daily, or a spray of watercress. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice, every second day for a week. In the next week give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid. (2) Treat the 1914 hen for a fortnight the same as No. 1. Cage her alone during the treatment, and every day during the first week catch her, and bathe the feet for a few minutes in a warm solution of boracic acid, a small teaspoonful of the acid in a saucerful of warm water. Then dry, and gently anoint them with a little zinc ointment. Do not leave any surplus grease about them to collect dirt from the cage floor.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

HAND-REARING THRUSHES (H.).—In hand-rearing young Thrushes the same methods may be used as advised to (W.R.M.) in this issue. In your case you had better remove the full brood, hand-rear them all, and then give the hens their liberty. Young males commence to warble soon after they can feed themselves, so you will not have long to wait to decide which to keep. For exhibition purposes a good hen is frequently a better bird than a cock; in fact, the big winners are mostly hens.

BREEDING LINNET-CANARY MULES (A Novice).—As you are quite a novice, I think you would do well to get our book on Hybrid breeding, 1/2 post free. Put your two birds into the breeding cage, and after a few days give them a nest pan, some moss, and cowhair, all of which you can purchase from most corn dealers or bird shops. Feed the birds on mixed seed; 4 parts canary, 2 parts summer rape, 2 parts teazle, and a spoonful of hemp, twice a week, or buy a packet of wild seed mixture and give them a spoonful every other day until the hen lays, afterwards feed on the canary, rape and teazle mixture until the young ones are hatched. When the young ones arrive, which they do after the hen has incubated the eggs for a fortnight, you must give the old ones hard-boiled egg and biscuit, or sponge cake, to feed the young ones with. The hard-boiled egg should be beaten up with a fork, or chopped very finely; add the biscuit or sponge cake and slightly moisten it if it appears too dry. See that this is made fresh twice a day, and is given to the birds quite sweet. Throw away any stale food. When the young are three days old, give a little maw and hemp seed and a spray of green food. As they grow, give seeding tops of chickweed and grass. When they leave the nest and can feed themselves, do not discontinue the soft food too quickly; give a little occasionally so as to keep them growing.

BLACK BULLFINCH (Alf Rutter).—You omitted to send your address, which is contrary to our rules. Will you please send it on a postcard? The cause of your bird moulting out black in plumage is a superabundance of black pigment in the blood. As yours is quite an old bird, it is probable that his long life of artificial feeding has affected him. It would be interesting to know upon what seeds you feed him. These cases of Melanism we occasionally hear of, the Bullfinch and Skylark being the species mostly affected among cage birds. He may at his next moult regain part of his natural plumage, but I should be very surprised if he became quite normal.

REARING BLACKBIRDS (W.R.M.).—Remove the young for hand-rearing just as the quills begin to shoot, when the birds begin to open their eyes. If left later they become too shy to be fed. Take a couple of the top birds, the darkest in colour, as these are more likely to be males. If you do not remove the nest, put them in a box or basket, and make a rough nest of hay for them, which should be replenished every three or four days. Blackbirds are not difficult to hand-rear, and have been brought up on a variety of mixtures, but to get good strong lusty birds, it must be done properly. The following method I have found to answer admirably: Boil a fresh egg ten minutes; when cold, well mix with a fork with two crushed Osborne biscuits, and add to it a tablespoonful of best ants' eggs, stirring all well together. Just before feeding, take a small quantity and make it rather sloppy with new milk. Be careful that the food is always fresh and sweet, or you will probably lose the young ones. Feed a little at a time, about every hour, for the first few days, then every two hours. Commence as early as possible in the morning. Add just a pinch of grit to the food every few days. In addition to the above food, give flies, small insects, and live ants' eggs. Be careful to keep the birds cosy and warm, especially at night, when they should be covered over with a piece of flannel. After a good meal the birds should be offered a few drops of water on the feeding stick, but they do not require this at every meal, only, say, about four times a day.

BREEDING CANARIES AND MULES (J. K. Novice).—To attempt to breed from hen Canaries flying loose in an aviary with cock Canaries and British birds as partners does not always work out quite satisfactorily. The reason is that "Birds of a feather flock together," and Canaries are therefore more likely to mate with Canaries than with birds of another species, but this is not a hard and fast rule; it depends greatly upon the condition of the male birds. If the cock Canaries are not in high condition and they do not respond readily to the hen's calls, a precocious British bird will do so. In this way I have known a brood of Mules to be bred where Canaries are flying, also Canaries and Mules to be hatched in the same nest. If you want to breed both, keep the cock Canary population of the aviary very low, and see that the Britishers are in high condition.

SNOW BUNTING FOR EXHIBITION (W. Bearly).—For exhibition purposes a Snow Bunting should be large and well proportioned. Many of them have large bodies and small heads, consequently they appear badly proportioned. The colours should be as distinct and pure as possible, and, of course, the bird should be shown in good condition and perfectly steady. The latter point is of great importance with all the Buntings, as they are naturally of a wild disposition. His staple food should be canary seed, and he is not particular if he is never supplied with any other; but it is better to vary it if possible with a little maw, cracked hemp, shelled oats, rape, etc. As a rule they do not improve when moulted in confinement, their colours losing much of their pureness of tone.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

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HEN NOT FEEDING MULES (J.M.D.).—Non-feeding hens are quite a common complaint among fanciers. The trouble arises from various causes. The hen may come from a bad feeding strain, and such birds are seldom reliable; but more frequently hens refuse to feed on account of ill-health. In many cases the bird is apparently quite well, but if compared with others is scarcely so robust. Another cause of failure is want of condition, and this appears to be your trouble, if not solely, anyway partly so. By your own account she has never laid a full clutch of four or five eggs. You say she laid 3 eggs the first time, and now only one egg. This does not appear to me to be a sign of high condition. I would advise you to remove the Goldfinch, but hang him near the hen, and proceed to feed her up by giving a spoonful of good egg food every other day, a little mixed seeds on other days, and a liberal supply of dandelion heads, chickweed, and seeding grass. You will find the dandelion heads particularly useful. Let her bathe daily, and keep her like this for a week or two until she begins to get anxious to go to nest again, then introduce the Goldfinch. When the young arrive, entice her to feed by giving frequent changes of food and supplying it little and often. Many hens will frequently feed on wild food and ordinary green stuff, although neglecting to do so with egg food, probably because the liberal allowance of vegetable matter assists to keep them in prime health and condition, and consequently they are in a fit state to attend to their maternal duties.

MULES FOR SINGING (Nor'-West).—Nearly all young birds imitate any sound they hear, and young Mules are no exception, so if you want them to learn the wild note of any particular Finch they must be put where they can hear the old bird singing directly they leave the nest and are able to feed themselves. You must be careful that they only hear this bird—and none other. If you mix up young Canaries and Mules you will find the Mules will take some of the Canary notes. The only way is to keep them quite distinct, and even then you are not certain that they will sing the Finch note and none other. Every bird has a few natural notes of its own, which it is almost certain to include.

DEATH OF GREENFINCH (A. Lodge).—I am sorry to hear you have lost your bird; had you written earlier I might have assisted you. You appear to have fed him correctly as far as seed is concerned, so I am inclined to think there was something wrong in your other management. Did he take cold? or was he hung in a draughty place? Although the Greenie is naturally a very hardy bird, yet if he is kept in a kitchen, which at times must be rather warm, he is particularly susceptible to draughts and easily takes cold. If in future you find any of your birds mopy and you are unable to decide upon their ailment, your best plan is to put them on a bread and milk diet with a pinch of maw seed. A few drops of whisky in the drinking water will frequently effect a sure.

BREEDING MEALWORMS (H. Hipkins).—Get a good sized tin, such as a biscuit tin. Bore with a bradawl two rows of holes right round the sides at the top, within about an inch of the lid. Cut 3 pieces of sacking, fold them so that they are not quite so large as the top of the tin, and will drop in easily. Dry them thoroughly. Put a layer of bran about an inch or so thick on the bottom of the tin, and on that a piece of the sacking; then another layer and another piece of sacking, and so on until the tin is about 3 parts full. Turn into this about a pint of mealworms, or less if you do not care to buy so many. Put in a handful of fresh meal occasionally. Place the tin in a warm cupboard by the fire and disturb it as little as possible. It takes about 12 months for the worms to turn to beetles, lay eggs, and reproduce worms again. The best time to change the contents, sifting out the dust and putting in fresh sacking and bran or meal, is during the winter, when the eggs have hatched and there are only worms in the box.

LARK FOOD (Bird Shop).—Fine ground chicken meal with a little meat meal added, and hot water poured over it, so as to make it crumbly moist, should answer your purpose. Lightly cracked hemp should also be supplied. They will do well on this for some time. Better quality food, which would take rather longer to make, should be given to those you have on hand for any length of time, or that you want to bring into song. The following does admirably: 1lb. wheat meal (not flour), 4 tablespoonsful of coarse sugar, 3 or 4 ozs. beef suet, 1 hard-boiled egg; mix and place in cool oven until sugar and fat are melted. Stir until brown. Place in jar for use.

WILL MULES BREED (Novice).—There are certain fanciers who claim to have bred with Mules; but then these have been paired to one of their parents, not paired Mule to Mule. I certainly think it quite possible for Mules to have bred with one of their parents, but, as a rule, one may say that these crosses will not breed. You see, if they did, we should in time get such a curious mixture of birds that distinct species would no longer exist. (2) The only greenish-yellow bird that you would be likely to see at this time of the year is the Greenfinch; but this bird, I presume, is well known to you. I fear your description is hardly full enough for me to assist you. (3) Siskins have been bred in captivity. An aviary would be the most likely place for them, but there is no reason why you should not try in a cage. The birds should be put together at once. They will not commence to nest until the proper time, and then you will have to give them every encouragement in the way of nesting materials and good food to help them along.

WHICH ONE TO KEEP (Grateful).—It is a difficult matter to advise you as to which to keep of your nest of young Thrushes. If I had them I would keep them until the males began to warble. When overcrowded I should select the sleekest and brightest looking, and those with the boldest eyes, but with only a brood it is far better to keep them all for a time; they are not long before they show their sex, especially when they are well cared for.

A LINNET FANCIER (Linnet).—If your young Linnet is only seven months old, he must have been a particularly late hatched one, and if so, this would account for his singing so badly. No bird is at his best the first season, you cannot do better than moult him out and keep him under a good tutor. It is much better to wait for a natural moult. Feed him up well during the summer on plenty of wild food, so that he is perfectly healthy when the moulting time arrives. (2) Get one ounce of citrate of iron and ammonia from the chemist, dissolve as much in two tablespoonfuls of drinking water as will lie on a threepenny-piece. It can be given a little stronger if thought necessary, but is inclined to bind if given too strong. A little port wine can be added to it if the birds are very backward. (3, 4) You can store plantain and many other wild seeds for winter use, but you must be careful to get them ripe, and thoroughly dry them before finally storing away. Shepherds' purse has a tiny white flower at the tip of the plant, and at the end of the branches which spring from the main stem is a "purse" of seeds. You would do well to get our book, "Seeds and Wild Plants for Cage Birds," 1s. 2d. post free. It describes all the suitable seeds and plants, and has illustrations of most of them, so that one can easily identify. (5) I must confess I have never studied the song of the Linnet for singing contests, which I suppose you require. To me a good strong singer, with full rich notes, not too jerky, and well sustained, is the perfect vocalist.

HAND-REARING STARLINGS (Experimentor).—The birds would have been better if left until a little older, but as they are such easy subjects to hand-rear, there is no reason why you should not succeed. Crush a couple of Osborne biscuits and mix with them half a hard-boiled egg; make the whole moist with new milk. Feed them on this for the first week, then add a little insectile food to it, increasing the quantity. Feed for the first week every hour, and afterwards every two hours. The first meal should be at daylight, and the last at sundown. Add a pinch of grit to the food occasionally, and see that it is always perfectly sweet. Give also greenfly, small caterpillars, or pieces of mealworms. Young Starlings are rather dirty birds to handrear, and they must be kept scrupulously clean or they will not thrive. A handful of hay in a box or basket makes a capital nest, and can be easily changed. See that you keep them warm and cosy at night. Do not overfeed.

PARTNER FOR YORKSHIRE HEN (Very Anxious).—A stout-bodied Goldfinch or Linnet would suit for Mule production, but most fanciers prefer the Norwich hen for this purpose, although I have seen some very smart specimens produced from the Yorkshire.

MATING LINNET AND CANARY (P. Sharpe).—I gather from your letters that you have not yet tried your birds together. I would therefore advise you to do so at once; it appears that they are both ready for nesting. You must not judge too hastily of the behaviour of the Linnet when alone; he may be quite different when mated up. Put them together at once, and give a nestpan and building materials.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

SICK COCKATIEL (Hulbert).—I am afraid there is not a great deal of hope for the bird. In lieu of the drinking water supply the following: one teaspoonful condensed milk, one-third teaspoonful cod-liver oil emulsion, and two tablespoonfuls or a little more of boiling water, so that when stirred together and cool it will have about the consistency of new milk. Also give daily a piece of sponge cake upon which ten drops of cod liver oil emulsion have been put, and then moistened with a little milk and water prepared much as above. It could have a few sips of weak brandy and water once or twice during the day. In addition to the above, supply the regular menu, but only give the Dinneford's Magnesia sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving quite freely, yet without any abnormal looseness. Report progress after a week, supplying full details, as to what extent the bird has partaken of the milk mixture and sop, also giving as full a description as you can of its condition, noting, if possible, whether the wasting away appears to be checked. It almost appears, however, from your details that the bird is already in extremis.

LIVE FOOD FOR SHAMA (Shama).—The tastes of individual birds vary considerably, and it does not by any means follow that one will accept what another will take. My Shamas have always readily accepted spiders, smooth caterpillars, wireworms, earwigs, flies, and various garden beetles, but I have never found them any too partial either to earthworms (small and medium sized ones have been taken), or woodlice; these have been taken, though not in any quantity. Such butterflies and moths as found their way into their enclosure seldom escaped. The larvae (grubs) of any of the above are even more readily accepted than the imago (perfect insect), and this also applies to the pupa (chrysalis)

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of the various insects named. Earwigs can be most easily trapped, and are eaten with gusto.

WHAT BIRD, VALUE, ETC.? (I.R.F.).—The details you supply are not sufficient for identification, I fear, unless it is a female Alexandrine. All you tell me is that it is dark green on head and back, with crimson patches on top of wings, that it is pale green below, and its tail is 14ins. long. Am I to understand that the bird is all green (dark and light) save for the crimson patches on top of wings. I opine there are other colours, both in wings and tail, and very probably facial and neck markings. If you will supply me with the details on these points I will give you a definite answer next week, and am keeping your query by me for the purpose.

PARROT WHEEZY (Hibernia).—Your "Parrot" is a Roseate Cockatoo. Keep it out of draught, and put in its drinking water every fourth day one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia. Also get the following mixture: ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills, and glycerine, in equal parts; put half a teaspoonful of the mixture to each two tablespoonfuls of the drinking water, and continue the treatment for two or three weeks, repeating it whenever any huskiness appears. Your description is very incomplete, but I take your bird to be as above; if you doubt my identification, send me a full description of the plumage, and I will correct or confirm. If it is a Roseate and a talking specimen, its value is about 60s.

AVIARY DETAILS (T.J.G.).—Before being able to give you an intelligible reply, I must have more information, as the space for each reply in this column is strictly limited. I must know: space available, aspect of site, class of birds it is desired to keep. I can, of course, express an opinion upon any sketch you choose to submit, and suggest alterations if needful. I can also give general principles in this column, but not publish plans, owing to space, cost of blocks, etc. However, to do even this, I must have as full details as possible.

BENGALESE NOT HATCHING (F. Giles). It is not advisable to treat either British or foreign birds as you do Canaries; unless you have foster parents you can give the eggs to, it is better to leave them alone. Bengalese are not a species, but a hybrid produced in the far past by the Japanese, and as one would expect, they are erratic sitters, and of the total of eggs laid, a very small percentage are hatched out or reared. Keep the bath on the cage-front, so that the sitting bird can bathe when she comes off the nest. This will supply all the moisture necessary. If any young are hatched out, as there ultimately should be, supply a little soft food daily, also greenfood liberally (lettuce, chickweed, seeding and flowering grass, etc.), and keep a millet spray in the cage. Apart from this you must exercise patience, for the Bengalese are erratic, but in the end you should have some luck.

JAVA SPARROWS WHEN NESTING (Mrs. Goddard).—Give a little of some good insectile mixture (soft food) daily. Supply canary seed, white millet, and millet sprays; also greenfood liberally, such as seeding and flowering grass, tender lettuce, chickweed, groundsel, etc. There is no occasion to separate the sexes with these birds, and I opine such as are hatched out will be reared. Of course, you cannot alter things now—that is, for the present clutch of eggs, but Java Sparrows usually like a box closed all round with merely an hole cut out for entrance, and mostly build a domed nest therein, with hay, grass, and greenfood stems. If you have an open canary sort of nest, replace it with a such a one as above as soon as the present clutch is out of hand, or a large size rush nest would meet the case. The incubation period varies from 12 to 14 days. "Foreign Birds for Begiuners," 1s. 1½d., post free, from our Manager, would help you.

WHYDAHS (E. N. Maltby).—The Queen Whydah has never been common, and of late years has certainly been very scarce in the market. It is, of course, consequently rather expensive (60/- or more). Australian birds also have been coming over very irregularly recently and are consequently expensive, and, added to this, Gouldian Finches (40/- to 60/- pair) are not easy to establish either. The Whydahs advertised cheaply as "Whydahs" are either Pin-tail or Paradise; both species are handsome and striking, but when advertised at the price you name they are out of colour; that is, in eclipse plumage, when males and females closely resemble each other, and you have to take your chance of getting a true pair. In the breeding season, when the males are in colour and wear their long caudal plumes, the value is from 7/6 pair upwards. "Bird Notes" is the Journal of the Foreign Bird Club, free to members. You can get it through "Cage Birds," 1/7 post free monthly, or particulars of membership from S. Williams, Holland Lodge, Edmonton, N.

WHAT PARROT? (Polly, Watford).—It is a Blue-fronted Amazon, and requires seed mixture, ripe fruit, and nuts, and it can also have dry crusts, biscuits, sponge, and other plain cake. Grit, cuttlebone, and a piece of wood should be continually in the cage. As regards seed mixture, the following is a good one: one part each maize, shelled monkey nuts, wheat, dari, and paddy rice, and two parts each hemp, sunflower, and oats, the whole to be well mixed. It is also well to keep a small tin of canary and white millet seed (in equal parts) in the cage. The moult is irregular; some Parrots are moulting now, others do so later. A talking, tame, Blue-front in good feather is worth from 60s. to 80s., your bird probably a little more if it would perform and show its talking ability to a would-be purchaser.

PINK AND GREY PARROT STUCK IN THE MOULT (E. Glover).—It is a Rose-breasted Cockatoo, usually a hardy species. Give it the following seed mixture: one part each (by measure) wheat, dari, shelled nuts, and maize, and two parts each oats, hemp, and sunflower seeds—well mix, and keep supply in the cage. Also continue to supply the canary seed separately. It ought to have fruit or greenfood, also crusts, pieces of biscuit, and plain cake. Put it out of doors in some unexposed position on warm days. Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water, and on the intervening days half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates. If you can induce it to eat a little sponge cake, a piece of biscuit, or bread, give it a piece once or twice daily, after spreading thereon and allowing to soak in five drops of cod-liver oil emulsion. If you cannot give the latter any other way you must give five drops of the C.L.O. emulsion direct to the beak, from a quill or something similar, but it is better given on either bread or cake. As regards fruit, try it with sweet apple, banana, or orange. You will have to get it to take a little more varied dietary or you will lose the bird. Grit, cuttlebone, and a piece of wood to chew up must be continually in the cage. Report progress in two or three weeks with full details.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Mr. G. Busby.—Cock Canary succumbed to enteritis, the result of ptomaine poisoning due to some impurity taken with the food. There is no douht this indirectly caused the death of the young birds also.

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ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abersychan C.B.S.—June 5.—W. T. Couch.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—June 2, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. Discuss N.F. show; lecture on Construction and General Management of the Norwich Canary.—C. Bailey.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—June 1, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Ordinary and show business. Subs. due. —J. Whitehead.

Accrington C.B.S.—June 3, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Classes for F.F. show, July 10.—D. Harwood.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—June 1, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. F.F. show business; new members elected.—J. Spencer.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—May 29, Miners' Theatre, Ashington, 7.30. N.F. show and subs. New members invited.—C. F. Tapson.

Bulwell F.A.—May 29, Red Lion Hotel, 7.30. Meeting and table show. Judge, Mr. E. Owen Davis, Kirkby-in-Ashfield.—L. Mellor.

Blaenavon C.B.S.—June 3, Crown Hotel, 6.30. Monthly contributions. Open show and judge for same.—G. T. Jones.

Burton-on-Trent.—June 1, New Inn, 8. Schedule for summer show.—A. Wood.

Blaydon C.B.S.—June 5, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Very important business; local fanciers heartily invited to join.—G. Havver.

Border City (Carlisle) C.S.—June 2, Headquarters, 7.45.—J. C. Bell.

Bootle C.B.S.—June 1, St. Andrews, Parochial Hall, 8. General business.—A. E. Huyton.

Bradford East O.S.—June 1, Park Chapel Schoolrooms, 8. General business. Classification for open show. New members are requested to join at once. A hearty welcome to all.—J. Spencer.

Chorley C.B.S.—June 2, Shepherds' Hall, 7.30. Very important business; arrangements for F.F. show.—J. H. Welch.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—June 2, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, 8. Final arrangements for N.F. show and possibly a lecture on British Hardbills.—J. H. Jones.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—May 31, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Important.—F. A. Green.

Doncaster C.B.S.—June 12, Black Bull, 7. First N.F. show and final arrangements for 2nd N.F. show, orders for colour food to be handed in certain.—G. Hunt.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—June 1, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, S.E. F.F. show, birds staged 7.30. Four members judging.—D. Reeks.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—May 31, Headquarters, 8. Gen. business and arrangements for periodical rambles.—J. Alderslade.

East Ardsley.—May 29, Black Swan, 7. Paper on seeds and their uses, by Mr. J. Burnell. Also show business.—A. Walton.

Falkirk Good Intent.—May 29, Temporary Hall, Grahams Road, 7.30. Nominating judges for annual and F.F. show.—W. Clarkson.

Glasgow and Western Counties Club.—June 5, 122, Ingram Street, 7. British show; Chaff., Bramble, Bullf. C.R.; Buntings; A.O.V.; Mule or Hyb.; Election of judges for annual show, and other bus.—J. H. Adam.

Glasgow West of Scotland O.S.—June 5, Nelson Temp. Hotel, 7.30. Classification F.F. show and election of judges.—W. Hutchison.

Garden House Club West Stanley.—May 30, 7.30. Election of cage bird judge.—J. Armitage.

Huddersfield O.S.—May 29, White Hart Hotel, 7. Arrangements for F.F. show, June 12.—A. Lawford.

Highgate and Hampstead C.B.S.—May 31, Spencer Hall, 8.30. Mr. G. Gardner will give a lecture on the Yorkshire Canary; other important business.—J. Hyde.

Halifax C.B.S.—June 3, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 8. General meeting. Specialist clubs, patronages, etc.—A. Sutcliffe.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—June 1, the Nightingale Hotel, High Road, Wood Green, 8. Lecture on Colour Feeding.—P. Brooks.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—June 2, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Very important; steward for 1st members' show. Schedules ready.—W. H. Symes.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—June 1, White Swan, 8. Questions and Answers.—A. Freestone.

Longton C.B.S.—June 1, Roebuck Hotel, 8.30. Annual meeting. Election of officers. Young stock show.—E. Tams.

Manchester Provincial Roller C.C.—May 29, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation Street, 6.—A. Percival.

Middlesex O.S.—June 3, St. John's Schools, 8. Table show.—R. Cambers.

Morley C.B.S.—June 1, Shoulder of Mutton, Bruntcliffe, 7.30. Show business.—Wm. Bywater.

New Cross C.B.S.—June 3, Salisbury Hotel, Clock Tower, Lewisham, 7.30. Young bird show. Judge, Mr. R. A. Newley. Fanciers invited; admission free. —Burton Bros.

Nelson, Colne C.B.S.—June 1, Mr. Fulton's, 8. Young show, etc.—D. Watts.

North Manchester C.B.S.—June 1, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Special business for F.F. show; subs. due.—A. Colley.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—June 3, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. N.F. business; subs. Lecture by Mr. J. Maddison, "Mule Breeding and Hybridising." —J. W. Reed.

Oxhill Central Workmen's Club C.B. and F.F.S.—May 30, Club Hall, 6.30, to consider schedule and new rules. Intending members invited.—W. J. Platten.

Runcorn B.B.A.—June 3, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Room, 7.30. Table show, staged 7. Judge, T. Guy.—E. Rone.

Rsdhill C.B.S.—June 2, Watkins Hotel, 8. Specials for young bird show, and other show business.—G. Martin.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—June 1, Headquarters, Warcing's Dining Rooms, 8. Lecture on Norwich Canaries by Mr. Boothman.—G. Lord.

Rotherham C.B.S.—May 29, Mail Coach Inn, 7. Confirmation of N.F. classes. Subs. due.—Taylor and Dransfield.

...**Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.**—June 2, Temperance Club, 8.30. F.F. show. Please note alteration of show date to June 26.—J. Coupe.

Rossendale Roller C.S.—June 1, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30. Monthly meeting.—H. Wantling.

Southern Border F.C.—May 31, Headquarters, 7.45. Patronage and other important business.—Geo. Burton.

St. Quintin Park F. and F.S.—June 3, Headquarters, 8.—A. P. M. Tarrant.

Southampton C.B.S.—June 1, Waterloo Hotel, 8.30. Important.—W. L. Page.

Southampton C.B.S.—F.F. show fixed for July 7. Classes: 20 Can., 12 Brit., and For. Mr. W. Haysom, judge.—W. L. Page.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—June 3, Little Regent Inn, 8.—Important.—J. W. Lowes.

Sheffield C.B.S.—June 3, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Essay Competition. Birdy matters. Prizes, 3s., 2s., 1s. Original essays only.—A. Hobson.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—June 1, Liberal Club, 8. Arrangements for F.F. show, June 12.—W. Everett.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—June 1, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. General business.—W. G. Andrews.

Wallasey C.B.S.—Thursday, June 3, Headquarters, 8. General discussion and allotment of specials, also appointing judge for N.F. show.—Wm. Mallinson.

Windhill C.B.S.—June 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30 p.m. Members' F.F. show. Judge, Mr. D. Sutcliffe, of Wibsey. Entries Friday night, 6.30 to 9. Show open 4 to 6 to visitors. June 12, 6.30. Balance-sheet for members' show. Patronages and classification for open show, etc. Please note change of date, owing to show being on June 5.—J. Taylor.

Walkden Roller Society.—June 1, Stocks Hotel, 7.30. Dates of open and members' shows, and general business.—E. Hibbert.

Yorkshire Union of C.B.S.—May 29, Market Tavern, 6.30. Tenders for Union Handbook, and other important business.—S. Midgley.

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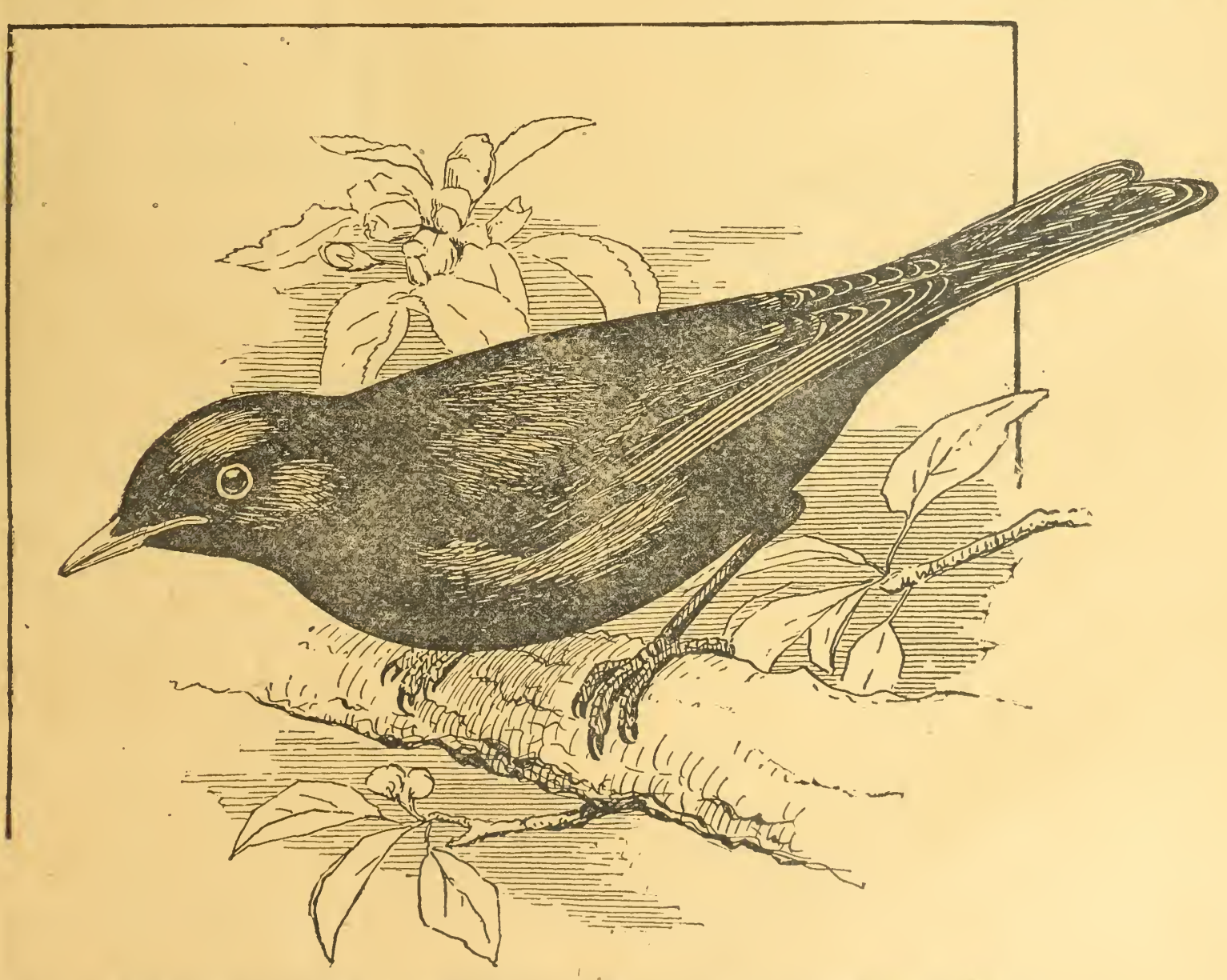

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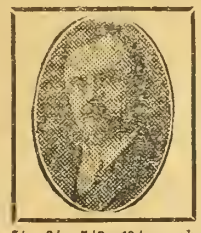

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FOUR splendid pairs of Yorkshires (colour fed), including four good breeding cages, blue enamelled inside, fitted with loose wire fronts, nest pans, seed hoppers, etc., lot £2 10/-, or sell separate; genuine sale: Morris, 56, Park-rd., Ilford. (316)

YORKSHIRES, chance for novice; 5 smart hens, one double, 5 single breeders, with rack complete, nest pans, nest racks, egg pans, 3 Yorkshire show cages; clear lot £2 10/-; or exchange poultry, Croad Langshans preferred, or offers: Hodson, 42, Northcote-rd., Clapham Junction, S.W. (316)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1½, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: CAGE BIRDS, 154. Fleet-st., London, E.C.

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

The same strain as the winners at all the leading shows. Cocks, 10/6; hens, 5/6, 7/6 each; ten days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury, Yorkshire.

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High-class Yorkshires.—Having now paired up my birds, I find I can still supply a few more long slim typical 1914 birds, cocks seven inches long, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; extra long slim typical racy hens, standard length, guaranteed feeders, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6 upwards; these birds are extra special and well worth your attention; approval on receipt of cash; stamp reply: W. Dowd, 1a, Rowell-sq., Rowell-st., Salford. (307)

Various Canaries.

DEALERS supplied with Norwich hens; write prices: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (315)

UNFLIGHTED yellow cock, over 7 inches, winner, 25/-; buff cock, yellow hen, grand pair, 20/-; room wanted: Hannaford, 65, St. Quintin-avenue, North Kensington. (313)

FEW good quality Norwich and Yorkshire hens, yellows and buffs, 3/- each, untried, ready to nest, or would exchange for birds, rabbits, mice, anything: Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (319)

F. BROOKS, Leigh, Chulmleigh, N. Devon, must sell owing to removal, at a very low price, 2 Yorks. cocks and 3 hens, 3 Scotch Fancies, cock and one yellow hen, 1 Norwich cock, Green, and 2 hens, also breeding cages, birdroom utensils, and 2 show cages; birds in best of health, outdoors. (317)

MULES—HYBRIDS.

PINK-EYED Hens, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

ONE Yorks., one Roller, one Goldie Mule, one Linnet Mule, hens, 1914; offers: Turner and Roberts, Ripley, Derby. (316)

SIX large Sib. hen Canaries, 1914 bred, baving to part through illness, 2/6 each: Hanson, Grangetown S.O., Yorkshire. (316)

GOLDFINCH, house-moulted, 6/-; Goldfinch Mules, 8/-; 6 large sib-bred hens from 5/-; approval: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (302)

GRAND exhibition cock Linnet, large Norwich ben, with double breder, nesting, 25/-; approval for cash: Bain, Birkenshaw, Larkhall, Lanarkshire. (317)

MULE breeders, two clear buffs, ditto yellows, hens, nesting, 2/6, 3/- each; big house-moulted hen Bullfinch, 3/-, steady: Lawn, Rising Sun, Row, Norwich. (317)

FINEST MULING HENS AND MULES

procurable. Note prices for light or dark Mule breeding with Goldfinches, Linnets, Siskins, Greenfinches, etc.; approval with pleasure, 3/-, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6; cage 3d.; also several light and dark Linnet and Goldfinch Mules for moulting up for show, and some good Goldfinches: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; sib. cocks, 7/6, 10/- each; yellows or buffs: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester.

MASSIVE dark 1914 cock Goldfinch Mule, wonderful face, grand songster, 10/6; good yellow ticked Norwich cock, 4/6: Taylor, Draper, Bideford. (319)

1915 Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for sale; also parents of the above; several good hybrid pairs cheap: Wm. Leeson, Montague-st., Rushden. (315)

GENUINE pairs; Greenfinch and hen Bullfinch, guaranteed breeders, can be seen nesting, 15/-; Goldfinch-Greenfinch pair, house-moulted, 12/-; Greenfinch-Chaffinch, nesting, 10/-; also Hybrids; aviaries (portable), 10ft. long, divided into 5 compartments, each compartment measuring 3ft by 2ft. by 2ft., 15/- per set of 5 aviaries; bargain: 56, Park-rd., Ilford. (316)

50 PURE-BRED SIB HENS

guaranteed to breed Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- and 7/6 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

ADULT Green Budgerigars, nesting, 5/- pair: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (316)

WANTED, any variety for cash: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury-aven., London. (313)

COCK Pennant, splendid condition, whistles like Canary, £3; 7, Victoria-terr., Walsall. (315)

COCKATIELS, a pair for sale, price 12/6; or exchange: Brett, 62, Cantwell-rd., Plumstead. (313)

AMAZON Parrot for sale, 3 years, says over 50 words, cage included, 47/6: Richardson, Well-lane, Lincoln. (311)

BUDGERIGARS, hardy, healthy birds, 6/6 pair; single birds, 3/6 each; G. W. Cock, 62, Western-rd., Southall. (311)

KING Amazon Yellow-fronted Parrot, with large cage, talks and chatters, 50/-: Woodhall, 160, Dudley Port. (313)

WANTED, very tame Cockatiel for pet; young bird preferred; letters: P. Harris, 10, Taviton-st., London, W.C. (311)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoors, finest possible selected breeding pairs, 6/-; yellows, 8/-: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (315)

COCK double-collared Sunbird, perfect health, in garden aviary, since last July, 70/-: Scott, Freeland Hill Rise, Tonbridge. (312)

INDIAN Shama, house moulted, perfect condition, wonderful mimic and songster, 50/-: Walsh, Bird-food Specialist, Blackburn. (319)

HOUSE-MOULTED Linnet, full song, 5/6; Budgerigars, from my winners, 6/6 pair: Chough, Shipton, 71, Cloudesdale-rd., Balham. (312)

VERY fine healthy adult cock Redrump, 40/-; or exchange fancy Pheasants: Z. Thornes, 58, Greenmount-st., Beeston Hill, Leeds. (313)

BEAUTIFUL pair Yellow Budgerigars, adults, ready to nest, outdoor aviary, 6/6; bargain: Miss Jones, Harlech House, Aberystwyth. (319)

PARROT, grey and red, £1; 18in. square cage, 3/- extra, or exchange foreign, British birds, anything alive: Vernon, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (319)

INDIAN Parrot, commenced talking, with cage, 30/-; splendid gramophone, with records, 45/-; carriage paid: Marshall, 14, Fishergate, Nottingham. (316)

BLUE-FRONTED Amazon Parrot, just starting to talk, acclimatised, and in good health; price £2 with cage: 82, Nichols-square, Hackney-rd., London, N.E.

MAXIMILIAN'S Parrot, beautiful, rare, tame bird, talks, mimics, 50/-; cock Ring-necked Parrakeet, perfect, 15/-: Rectory, Nash, Stony Stratford. (319)

BEAUTIFUL talking Amazon Parrot, lovely plumage, perfect health, accept 45/-, with cage; stamp for particulars: Herbert Jones, Bristol House, Cefn, Ruabon. (316)

VERY fine young Rock Parrot, say several words, in England six months, with good strong cage, only 20/-; exchange birds, poultry, etc.: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (316)

TALKING Grey Parrot, pair Peach-faced Red-billed Weavers; cocks; Violet-eared, Aurora, Cordon Bleu, Blue-throat, Rosella; wanted Parrakeet: Miss Clare, 194, Coombe Lane, Wimbledon. (315)

WANTED, acclimatised pairs Zebra Finches, Javas, Cockatiels, Redrumps, Turquoisines, Rosellas, Cardinals, Whydahs; lowest prices and full particulars to: Neave, St. John's, Hampton Hill. (313)

CAROLINA ducks, 30/- pair; breeding Budgerigars, 6/- pair; yellows, 7/6 pair; Mynah, 10/-; Weaver birds, 4/- pair; silkworm eggs, 2d. 100: De Von and Co., 114, Bethnal Green-rd., London.

PARROTS, acclimatised, genuine talkers; Green Amazon and African Greys, perfect specimens, prices from 50/- to £10; approval; kindly state wants: Walsh, Bird-food Specialist, Blackburn. (319)

COKERNUT breeding husks for Budgerigars, etc., the "Improved Secure" kind, sold by me exclusively for 20 years, 5/- dozen, 6d. each: Harper, Husk Importer, 390, Dudley-rd., Tividale, Tipton, Staffs. (309)

TALKING Blue-fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, and splendid hard condition, finger-tame, ideal pet, will follow you round house like a dog, large cage, 52/6: Miss Carry, 266, Dudley Port.

PARROT, grey and red, acclimatised, hardy, healthy, splendid condition, with large cage, signed talking warranty, 4 months' trial my risk, 30/-; easy payments taken: 270, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich.

SPECIALLY cleaned new seeds for Foreign birds, genuine Indian millet, 14lbs. 3/-; real Italian white millet, 14lbs. 4/3; large bundles of 50 millet sprays, 2/6 bundle: Walsh, Bird-food Specialist, Blackburn.

WANTED, fully acclimatised, from outdoor aviaries, hens Gouldian, Diamond Sparrow, Violet-eared Waxbill, Melba Finch, Parrot Finch; pairs small Doves, Quails, etc.: W. R. Temple, Ormonde, Datchet, Bucks. (318)

BEAUTIFUL young finger-tame gorgeous coloured talking Amazon Parrot, guaranteed in perfect health, feather, and condition, safe delivery guaranteed, first 50/- has her: Mrs. Leward, Hatton Garden, Liverpool. (318)

DISPOSING through illness, all my winners; pairs Green Budgerigars, Black-headed Gouldians, Blue-breasted Waxbills, Cordon Bleus; cocks, Jackson's Whydah, Violet-eared Waxbill, Silverbill, Sulphur Seedeater, Silverbill-Bengalese Hybrid, hen Queen Whydah; also few British: Longden, 40, Beechwood-rd., Swanscn (313)

FINE adult c[illegible] Golden Pheasant, 12/6; handsome adult Golden [illegible] Amherst cross cock Pheasant, 12/6; two very fine hen Silver Pheasants, 12/6 each: two grand cock Californian Quails, 10/- each; four large Green cock Budgerigars, 2/6 each; or exchange foreign birds: A. J. Underwood, The Aviaries, Wellington-st., Kettering. (313)

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of Budgerigars in England, always have two to three hundred for sale; greens, 6/- pair; hens, 3/6; yellows, 7/6; hens, 4/6; young greens, 4/- and 5/- pair; Half-mask Weavers, 3/- each; Cutthroats, cocks, 2/6; also Canaries, cock Bramble, 2/6: Sapsford, Stanley-rd., Teddington. (316)

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Green and Yellow variety, which have been awarded more gold cups than any other kinds; bred in our outdoor aviary, the largest aviary outdoors in the county; Greens 5/6 pair, Yellows 7/6 pair; cash or easy payment. (123)

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TALKING PARROTS OF ALL KINDS

On our 4 months' trial system. Our risk. Talking warranty; for cash or easy payments; holder thousand testimonials, bear

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Yellow and Green Budgerigars in England; also nesting husks, aviaries, breeding cages, besides genuine Parrots; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

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Young, tame, full-plumaged Grey Parrots (red tails), first and best of the season, 35/- each; direct importer; similar birds retailed elsewhere at double, Finger-tame Amazon, 30/-; Talking Blue-front Amazon, 2 years house, 70/-; finger-tame, excellent talking Nosicus Cockatoo, bare-eyed Cockatoo, talks, dances, tricks, 50/- each; Sulphur-crest Cockatoo, £1; Blue Buff Macaw, £5; Red Macaw, £5; choice Banded Alexandrine, Canarywing Parrakeets, Levaillant's Parrot, Jardines Parrot, Red-vented Parrot, pair Nanday Conures, 70/-; pair finger-tame Senegal Parrots, talking, £5; pair Cuban Conures, £3; pair Red-naped Lorics, £8; most wonderful talking Grey Parrot in England, £10; Tortoises, 2/- couple; twenty thousand bedding-out plants to be sold cheap.

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outside all winter and breeding now, both Green and Yellow birds. Nest eggs and young can be seen any time. Green, 6/-; Yellow, 8/-; all birds on big estate, and not in congested cages or small shop. Twenty thousand bedding-out plants to be sold cheap.

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Pairs: Yellow Rumps, 30/-; Californian Quail cock, 7/6; Saffron Finches, 7/6; Hybrid Ribbon and Amadine Finches, 15/-; Red-billed Weavers, 5/-; pair cage-moulted White Java Sparrows, 25/-; Blue Java Sparrows, 7/6; Bay Cow Birds, 10/-; Vinaceous Doves, 20/-; Half-collared Senegal Doves, 20/-; Ring Doves, 5/-; Triangular Spotted Pigeons, 50/-; pairs Peafowl, 40/-; Silver Pheasants, 35/-; Razorbill Currassows, £10; Senegal Bustard, £5; African Owl Pigeons, Nuns, Almond Tumblers, Blue Tumblers, Montaubins, Fantails; Crown Cranes, etc. All on large estate; no small cages or shop crowding. Twenty thousand bedding-out plants to be sold cheap. Tortoises, 2/- couple.

Pair Spotbill Toucanettes, £10.

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DOVES.

WANTED, any variety for cash: Royal Menageries, 190, Shaftesbury-aven., London. (313)

TWO pairs of Ring Doves for sale, 2 3 pair; also one cock, 1/6: Pimm, 5, Tavistock-rd., Harlesden.

VARIOUS BIRDS.

GREEN Yorkshire cock, full song, 8/6; H.M. Greenfinch and hen Canary, 5/-, or offers: Tillman, Old Town, Kempston, Bedford. (311)

NORWICH hen, Greenfinch cock, 4/-; Norwich hen, Yellowhammer cock, 4/-; Border hen, Twite cock, 3/-: Ballantyne, The Square, Melrose. (318)

SALE, Norwich and British, all my winners for sale, seen any time; stamp reply: W. Evans, No. 65, Highfields, North Wingfield, Clay Cross. (315)

THREE untried Green Roller hen Canaries, housemoulted cock Greenfinch, and hen Bullfinch, nesting; exchange long unflighted buff Yorkshire cock; yours first: George Potter, 29, Broseley Wood, Salop. (316)

BUFF Norwich hen, large, 5 -; buff Sib. hen, 4/-; cock Goldfinch, muler, beauty, 8 -; H.M. cock Greenfinch, 2 -; cock Green Crest, 8/6; exchange Roller cocks; yours first: Collins, 192, Windmill-lane, Smethwick. (313)

WANTED.

WANTED, a good hen Cockatiel: Dewe, Clock House, Abingdon. (311)

WANTED, weekly supply, all kinds British birds: Goldin, 120, Tib-st., Manchester. (318)

EVERY variety of Canary wanted for cash, large or small quantity: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (259)

WANTED, adult cock Cockatiel, in good breeding condition, for cash: T. Gray, 41, Sutherland-st., Kirkcaldy, Fife. (318)

WANTED, 22in. cycle frame, also Cuckoo clock; exchange hen Canaries, foreigners: Bell, 21, Beaufoy-rd., Tottenham. (312)

WANTED, pair of Cockatiels for outdoor aviary; approval, if possible: K. M. Bean, Sinton Court, Hallow, Worcester. (313)

WANTED for cash, Canaries, British and Foreign birds; state what you have for sale to: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (319)

WANTED, Rose Cockatoo or Parrot, cheap for cash; send price and particulars: Mrs. Jones, 7, George-st., Aberystwyth. (319)

WANTED Canaries; exchange new 12/6 ¼-plate hand camera, or sell cheap; offers: Fox, "Charts," Fairgreen, Mitcham, Surrey. (317)

WOULD buy few young Budgies or any other foreign birds, if reasonable: Vernon, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham, next Carnegie Library. (319)

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, cocks and hens; state lowest price; also Bullfinches: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green, London. (316)

WANTED, Parrots or aviary foreigners in exchange for smart Fox Terrier bitch with cash: Davies, Pawnbroker, Great Bridge. (311)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Coweaddens-st., Glasgow. (241)

WANTED, Yorkshires or birdroom appliances, fronts, for prize-bred canics, approval: Johnson, Victoria-st., Ravensthorpe, Dewsbury. (311)

WANTED, Canaries, Parrots, monkeys, mice, guinea pigs, pigeons, dogs, birds, rabbits; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (318)

WANTED immediately, any variety of Canaries or toy dogs; cash immediately; state price and particulars to 134, Havelock-st., Leicester.

WANTED, Yorkshire show case, exchange Goldfinches or Bullfinches, fit for show; approval: Williams, Sillans, Dolgarrog, Tal-y-cain, North Wales.

NOTICE.—All varieties Canaries, British and foreign birds; prices must be reasonable; cash sent with order: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.

WANTED, loud, incessant singing bird, will give lady's or gent's keyless watch, or gramophone records in exchange: Lewis, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (318)

WANTED, Roller cock Canaries, in full song, quality wanted, exchange pen B. Minorca pullets and cock, or sell, 20 -: R. Davidson, Baldastard, Largo, Fife shire. (309)

WANTED, cock Yorkshires, mules, give 5/6, 6/3; colour fed; also 1915 young, 5 - couple; any quantity; cash deposited; stamp: Oliver, 2, Bridport-place, Hoxton. (264)

WANTED, hen Zebras, grey singing Finches, Avadavats, Cordon Bleu (cock), Orange-cheeked Waxbills, for disposal Spice birds, Green Singing Finch: 20, Clarence-rd., Windsor. (315)

WANTED, Goldfinch and Linnet Mules, in full song, 6 - to 8 - each; also young Mules, cash on receipt of birds, or deposit with Editor; straightforward dealings; stamp, reply: Miss Davis, 141, Kings-rd., Camden Town, London. (316)

WANTED

1,000 Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinch Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, Chaffinches, rabbits, cavies, puppies, monkeys, chickens, Persian kittens, or anything alive for spot cash, by return; also Parrots and foreign birds; will give best price accordingly: E. Power, Bird Specialist, 89 and 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

THIS IS GENUINE,

Wanted for export, old cocks, hens, or pairs of Yorkshire, Norwich, and Roller Canaries, for prompt cash, large or small quantities; best price given; state number, sex and price required to "C," c o J. G. King and Son, 10, Bolt Court, London, E.C.

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

CORN Bunting will be exchanged for Cirl, or will buy latter: H. Kenrick, 3, Trinity-place, Hoxton, N. (312)

TWO cock Linnets, singing, 1/6; 3 Flemish giant youngsters, Stevens' strain, 5/6; exchange: Hutton, Holbeach. (319)

H.M. cock Siskin, 3 hen Canaries, Yorkshires, for Goldfinches or Linnets: Carpenter, Palmerston-rd., Weald-tone, Harrow. (315)

COCK Bullfinch, 2/6; house-moulted cock Linnet, in song, 3/6; exchange anything: Winstone, 4, Soundwell-rd., Staplehill, Bristol. (313)

SALE or exchange, Goldfinch Mule, 7/6; Linnet Mule, 6/-, Goldfinch and hen Canary, breeding, 6/-, exchange poultry Bevan, 23, Victoria-rd., Cambridge (309)

WILL exchange my beautiful seven-stringed banjo, with plated hoop, very fine instrument, for British bird, to value, 35/-; approval: Hayward, Church-street, Chard. (319)

EXCHANGE large Welsh cock Goldie, big square blaze, caged as Greypate, for Norwich, Yorkshire, or Lizard cock; yours first: Hurrey, Baker, Kington, Herefordshire. (318)

EXCHANGE cock Greenfinch, warranted Muler, also hen Bullfinch and a good cock Goldfinch, for a yellow Yorkshire cock, 1914; approval Collins, Stokenchurch, Bucks. (316)

Mainly Canaries.

LARGE Crestbred hen, untried, 10 -, or exchange Goldfinch Mule, full song: Tuthill, 20, Clementina-rd., Leyton, London. (31-

WANTED, incessant singing Canary or Mule, in exchange for jewellery to value: A. Lewis, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone, E. (318)

YELLOW Yorkshire hen, also Roller hen, 1914, breeding condition; cock Cutthroat, take 7/6: Pratt, Coleshill, Warwickshire. (313)

GRAND buff Norwich, large yellow cinnamon hen, exchange field glasses or gramophone; anything useful: Jones, Vaynol, Harlech. (319)

LARGE Norwich hen, 3/6; also Border, 3/-; variegated buff -; exchange yellow marked Yorkshire cock; offers: A. March, Evesham. (318)

EXCHANGE good pair Norwich Canaries, value 10/6, for anything useful, live stock considered: Gadsby, Wood-st., Ashby-de-la-Zouch. (319)

TWO yellow Yorkshire hens, 1 buff hen, double breeding cage, 1 single; exchange anything: Lever, 64, Garforth-st., Chadderton, Oldham. (316)

PAIR C.B. Norwich Canaries for lever watch, gramophone and records, or sell £3; approval: R. M'Culloch, No. 20, Irish-st., Dumfries. (313)

GRAND variegated yellow Norwich cock, full song, 12/6; cash or exchange; pair 28 x 1½ outer covers, beaded edge: Harris, 3.4, Berridge-rd., Nottingham. (316)

WANTED, offers in Yorkshires or foreign birds for pair of high-class Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, sell 25 -: Mr. Peters, Ivy Cottage, Dobb Brow, Westhoughton. (316)

SALE, yellow Seifert Roller cock, solid brass drawing-room cage, 15/-; exchange 1913 green Seifert Roller cock or two house-moulted Mulling Goldies: 5, Ansonia-pl., Leeds. (315)

EXCHANGE buff cock and yellow marked hen Yorkshires for six holed case and cages, no rubbish wanted or given; yours first, please: Sharp, 8, Upper Sturges-st., Bradford. (318)

FOX Terrier dog, long, perfect, evenly marked head, correct body, £3 10/-; sewing machine, equal new, cost £7 10/-, sell £3 10/-; exchange foreign birds, large Norwich, long Yorkshires, Mules, cocks, colour-fed preferred: Lanham, 36, Walcot-st., Bath. (318)

GOOD pair Yorkshires (cock winner), breeders, 4 youngsters from above, 2 pairs Rollers (Randall's strain), breeders, 2 good cocks (trained), three cock Goldfinch Mules (one winner), sell cheap, or exchange new clothing, drapery, boots, hosiery, cycle tyres, or inner tubes, or offers: Soper 22, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey. (318)

Mainly Foreign.

FOR sale or exchange, pair of Cockatiels, never laid, also Pitman's Journal, 1d., from Nov. 16th, 1912, up to date: Arthur Frankland, Rawdon. (318)

VIOLET-NECKED Lory, acclimatised, 45/-; or exchange for Parrot or Cockatoo, young African Grey preferred: V. Bentinck, 78, Harley-st., London, W. (313)

Miscellaneous.

½-PLATE Camera, equal new, all complete, accept 25/-, or exchange birds, fowls, etc.: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (316)

EXCHANGE John Forrest watch and fob albert for pair colour-fed Canaries: E. Balmer, Calderbank by Airdrie. (304)

EXCHANGE, good medical coil in case, with battery, for Norwich cock Canary: Houghton, Forehill, Ely, Cambs. (311)

EXCHANGE good knitting machine for pullets, or best offers, or sell £5 5 -, cost £8: Flatt, Hickling, Stalham, Norfolk. (319)

EXCHANGE lady's bangle, 22-carat rolled gold, for a pair of yellow or green Budgerigars: Balmer, Calderbank, Airdrie. (315)

SINGING cock Canaries, laying pullets, incubator chicks, given in exchange for other fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (318)

AIREDALE bitch, 9 months, 12/6, or exchange young live stock, or bird nets, 6ft. deep: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield Woodhouse. (315)

SMALL Yorkshire bitch, 18 months, lady's ideal pet, 25 -; or exchange young Belgians: 71, Old Millane, Mansfield Woodhouse. (315)

DARK brown spaniel bitch, six months, well trained: exchange for Canaries, or sell 15/-; Kinnble, Horcham-rd., Sussex. (315)

EXCHANGE electric iron, 12 lamps, coil of lead cable, new, for aviary, large breeder, or live stock: Clark, 78, Alexandra-rd., Windsor. (316)

FOR sale or exchange, bar-bell disc loading weights, about 160lbs., price 15/-: W. Charlton, Virginia Cottage, Clayton, Bradford, Yorks. (311)

EXCHANGE for beaded tyres, 28 x 1½, or cycle, stamp camera, 7/6; background, 15 -, 10 x 10ft.: Hart, Kingsley-rd., Ellesmere Port. (318)

LOP doe, splendid mother, 8lbs., 5 -, or nearest; exchange considered, birds preferred; birds first: J. Palmer, jun., Enderby, Leicester. (315)

CERT. winning black Dutch doe, 11 weeks, 5/6; exchange for trap cages, nets, fishing tackle: Middleton, 98, Northgate, Canterbury. (316)

GRAND specimen, smooth-coated Retriever dog, 8 months, will exchange for Canaries or offers; sell 30 -: Fraser, Rose Cottage, Auldearn, N.B. (319)

FIVE-GUINEA English lever, nearly new, 20/- cash; exchange singing cocks, anything; genuine, stamp: Knell, 19, Montreal-buildings, Poplar, E.

EXCHANGE, Bull-Terrier dog, age 12 months, for Yorkshire Canaries; particulars apply: Horace Woollin, 32, Hill Top, West Ardsley, nr. Wakefield. (311)

GOOD toned violin, bow, case, sell, 15 -; exchange pair big Norwich or Rollers; offers; approval: Gor, 3, Danby-place, Reservoir-rd., Ladywood, Birmingham. (316)

NOTICE.—We want birds, Parrots, anything alive or gramophone records, etc., in exchange for cutlery or plate: Write, Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (318)

NOTICE, birds of any description taken in exchange for punch-bar wire fronts, any size made; state offers and wants: Leigh, 37, Everton-terrace, Liverpool. (313)

BEAUTIFUL large, fat, young goose, weighs about 13lbs.: exchange for good cock Canary and nice cage, or anything: Motley Grocers, Blagofield, Pateley Bridge. (319)

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Twitterings.

The Annual Open Show of the Abertillery C.B.S. is fixed for Oct. 20 next. The hon. sec. is Mr. H. M. Mortimer, 4, Granville Street.

The members and friends of the Sheffield O.S. will ramble to Grenoside on June 6; leave Park Hotel 2.30, writes Mr. E. C. Job, hon. sec. Everybody invited.

The Liverpool B.B.A. has decided to add two classes in the Norwich section in this year's syllabus, namely unevenly mkd. or varieg. yellow, ditto, buff, writes Mr. T. R. Jones, hon. sec.

I would like to express my appreciation of that very interesting and instructive article on Parrot-keeping by the Marquis of Tavistock, which was concluded in this week's CAGE BIRDS, writes Mr. James Mair, Jun., Buckie.

I have undertaken the duties of secretary to Denton C.B.S. in place of Mr. W. Redfern resigned, writes Mr. Andrew Wright, 64, Seymour Street, Denton, Manchester. The members will be pleased to welcome any new members residing in the district.

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The Twite in Wales.

The Twite, or Mountain Linnet, as it is sometimes called, is reported to be plentiful this year in North Wales. It is not usually recognised as breeding freely in the principality, but "W.C." in the "Manchester Dispatch" says he has this season found nests in the gorse, heather, fern beds, and brambles on the mountain sides and valleys of North Wales, and another correspondent says the bird is numerous between Norbreck and the Wyre.

The 2nd annual report and balance-sheet of the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League are to hand from the hon. sec., Mr. A. Silver, 303, Streatham High Road, S.W. Notwithstanding the payment of £22 odd in special prizes and share of loss on the autumn show there is only a small reduction amounting to £1 6s. 1d. in cash balance in hand, £35 4s. 4d. being brought forward from 1914, and £33 18s. 3d. remaining at bank. Besides this, there is an asset of £11 in subscriptions not yet paid, so that the League seems to be starting a new season upon a very sound basis. The report contains a list of winners of diplomas for new species, and of the special prizes at the club show.

He Took the Biscuit.

The story of the artist who painted a basket of fruit so realistically that the birds pecked at it recently found parallel in the Spratt's biscuit which is represented at the bottom of the water-troughs issued to shopkeepers and others by the well known firm. A big dog having slaked his thirst essayed to get the "biscuit" out. The attempt failed, and the dog went off, only to return a second and third time for further tries at the elusive delicacy. Ultimately a real biscuit from the owner of the trough sent him away rejoicing.

OBITUARY.

MR. THOS. TODD (Glasgow).

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. J. Young, sec. City of Glasgow O.A., that I have to inform you of the death of Mr. Thomas Todd, on May 22. He was laid to rest in the Western Necropolis, on Wednesday, May 26, the remains being followed to the grave by a very large number of relatives and friends, the City of Glasgow O.A. being represented by Messrs. T. Thomson (President), Mr. McClure, and A. Renfrew. Mr. Todd was a life long fancier, his special favourite being the Scotch Fancy Canary, which he bred and exhibited with pronounced success for many years. He was associated with City of Glasgow O.A. for many years, and had filled all offices from president down. Of a seemingly rough exterior he was of a kindly and warm nature, and those who knew him best will miss him most. I am sure I am voicing the sentiments of all members of City of Glasgow O.A. and the entire Fancy when I say the deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Todd and family in their great bereavement.

MR. J. L. WARD, M.A. (Glasgow).

Fancier friends of Mr. James Ward, Main Street, Shettleston, for many years a successful Scotch Fancy breeder, will regret to learn that his son, Mr. James L. Ward, M.A., perished in the Lusitania disaster, as recorded in the report published in CAGE BIRDS of May 22 of the meeting of the Shettleston and Carntyne C.B.S., writes Mr. W. A. Howieson. A gradnate of Glasgow University, Mr. Ward was by profession a teacher. On leaving the University five years ago, he accepted a position in Barrhead H.G. School, which he afterwards relinquished to go to Canada, there to continue his scholastic duties. While there he held the important positions of English and mathematical master in Edmonton Technical School, Alberta, and Principal of Wilkie High School, Saskatchewan. Being associated with the Fancy from boyhood, Mr. Ward was a good judge of a bird, and though still young, had officiated several times successfully as a judge at some of the smaller shows. He was highly popular among all his scholastic and other friends. All fanciers will extend their deepest sympathy to his relatives and friends who mourn for one cut off in the full vigour of young manhood and on the threshold of a promising career.

Mr. John S. Clarke's Son Wounded.

It may interest your readers who have been members of the outings to Epping Forest, writes Mr. J. S. Clarke, to know that my son, D. H. Clarke (Harold), who went to Australia, and volunteered at the outbreak of the war, has been wounded in the left forearm, four or five places, by shrapnel, whilst fighting for the old country in the Dardanelles. He is in hospital, and expects a few weeks leisure.

[We are sure that the many of our readers whose full enjoyment of bird-watching rambles in Epping Forest has been so often dependent upon the keen knowledge and helpful services of Mr. Clarke and his son Harold, will join us in our hope for the speedy recovery of the latter from his injuries.—EDITOR CAGE BIRDS.]

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IT may interest many to know how I first came to take up Canary breeding. Firstly, I should ask readers kindly to believe my little tale, it is only too true, and may or may not be quite a novel experience.

I must date back to June, 1913, so as to get at the root of my story, for during that month I purchased a Canary from a dealer, and gave the price of 5s. for it. I, of course, wanted a songster, and was given to understand that he was only a few months old, and in a month's time I should have him in full song. I placed him in a cage, and fed him in an ignorant manner, penny packet seed being ever before him, with an over-abundance of groundsel of more than one quality.

I will not weary the reader by going into all details, but now I come to the time when some sweet song was due. None did I obtain. Cheep! Cheep!! was all I could get out of him, then I tried with the plate and wet cork method; but perhaps a little difference in the bird's voice induced me to keep up this monotonous practice. Then I came to the conclusion that "he" was a hen; but still one in the family persisted it was a cock bird, and if I waited till the spring—it was well advanced autumn by this time—I should hear the song that I had waited so long for. What was more annoying, the bird did not grow in the least little bit.

I have not yet come to the most idiotic part of my story, for idiotic it is. Before I relate this particular part let me again impress on the reader that this is perfectly true—each word. Early spring arrived, 1914, and this "splendid" bird, as we termed him here, still refused to sing; time rolled on and still it was doing nothing for its living. Then June came, and at the bottom of the brass cage one morning I found—an egg! You may guess the excitement, one of us saying, "I told you so. Didn't I say 'he' was a hen?" and so on, till it became the talk of the breakfast table.

This sent me hastening to the dealer, whom I stormed at for misrepresenting the bird, and after a certain amount of argument I was induced to buy a mate for her, and a double-compartment breeding cage, so I thought of doing wonders. I was told to put the birds in the separate compartments, and more rigmarole of advice about them was given. When I saw them talking to one another through the wires, I was to let them fly together. I did as instructed, and at last they were together; some material was placed in the cage for nest building (there was already a nest-box provided with the cage), and it was not very long before the "cock" bird started to build a nest.

Still in ignorance, I let "him" get on with it, each day looking for results, arguing that "he" was building a home for his "wife." The nest at last was completed, and to my great surprise the next morn I discovered an egg; this baffled me, as I had never seen the hen go near the nest at any time, and the reader may well imagine how I keenly watched the birds. Next morn yet another egg, and I discovered that the "cock" bird had been laying the eggs! I felt so disgusted that I was determined I would not work my "promising hobby" in the dark, so I resolved to find some journal or book on the matter. Let me mention one incident. When I discovered I was entirely on the wrong track, I took the eggs and nest completely away from the birds, with the result that the poor things kept up a continuous and wearysome "cheep, cheep, cheep," and my sister, who is very naturally kind to dumb animals, told me I was cruel to take the nest away, mentioning something to the effect that I should not like it if I had my home taken away from me. So she coolly put the nest back again.

On looking round the bookstalls I soon discovered the weekly journal CAGE BIRDS, and I purchased a copy. After it had been in my possession for about an hour I had learnt a lot, and shortly afterwards discovered I had been playing with two Roller Canary hens, then generally advertised as "Hartz Mountain Rollers." Now I must mention that my brother came to the rescue, and among the pages of CAGE BIRDS we hit upon a good advert. sent for a matched pair of Yorkshires, and while they were being dispatched ordered, by post, "Canary Breeding for Beginners." At the end of the first week—it was the latter part of June—we had the pair well matched, and by thoroughly reading the book I have mentioned we were very soon on the right road to success. By the end of the season we had reared five bonny birds, three of which were clear yellow cocks. I have them now in breeding condition. I often laugh over my early experiences, and I now advise anyone who is about to take up this most fascinating hobby to get birds from genuine fanciers to save disappointment, and rely on the thoroughly good information of CAGE BIRDS and its associates.

As a finish to my story I must say that it is through the medium of this magnificent journal that I owe my success in the "Disorderly Bird-Room" Competition. So far this year I have had great success, and in a short time from now I hope to have quite a number of chicks. I have not yet put any birds into shows, but I shall not be satisfied until I get there.—S. C. Tucker (Dover).

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"When the Cat's Away."

The Carrion Crow is fairly numerous here (on the Welsh hills), says "W.C." in the "Manchester Dispatch," and there are complaints of the destruction done to the Grouse by Carrion, the nests, eggs, and young birds being all destroyed. The absence of the usual custodians of the hills seems to be known to Crows, and this may be the cause of the increase in his activity.

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WILD FOODS FOR SEED-EATING BIRDS.

By CHAS. PRIOR (Ropley).

The useful greenfoods, etc., available during June are herein described. Previous articles appeared in our issues of April 10 and May 1, and we have, we are pleased to say, been able to arrange with the Author to contribute a continuation in the first issue of each month.

MERRY, laughing May, blowing kisses after the retreating winter, skips blithely along her verdant path, and bounds joyously into the embrace of June. Glorious, leafy June; the last month of the springtime. Summer migrants are congregating in the woodlands; the evening air is vibrant with their tuneful song. The Cuckoo's notes alone are losing tone.

All the Finches that have liberty are now become almost wholly insectivorous. This does not mean that they have taken to devouring the horny cockchafer, nor to sapping for the slimy slug. Their taste is nicer, more delicate, and more discriminating, and it falls upon those minute examples of insect life that are parasitical to vegetation, and which, by summer-time, are propagating in hordes. Some of the wild foods of June provide the means of conveying this class of live food to domesticated Finches also, and it will then be found that the most exclusively seed-eating species—theoretically—(Greenfinches, Linnets, and Canaries, for examples) have an appetite for insect life of an acceptable kind which convincingly refutes theories of exclusive seed diet.

The Best Weed and Its Best Time.

Shepherd's purse is such a food. May has seen this plant sending up its first seed-arms; June finds it growing taller, and branching freely. If conditions are favourable, it will reach a height of two feet or more; otherwise it may be but from nine to eighteen inches. In either case the time arrives when growth is suspended, and the lower seed pouches turn yellow and ripen. That is the time when the bird-keeper should lay heavy hands upon it.

He will need as accessories a sharp knife and a calico bag. With his left hand he grasps the entire plant, and severs it, close to the root, with the ready knife in his right. He will then at once, with the minimum of shaking, and without further unnecessary handling, transfer it to the bag. The reason for this procedure is that the value of shepherd's purse lies in its ripe, yellow seed pouches, which, when they *are* yellow and ripe, break at a touch and spill their contents. Hence the utility of the bag. If they were taken along on their stems in bunches, most of their value would be lost in transit; but inside the bag everything is safe, and the more knocking about it gets, the better.

Upon arrival home, the bag is emptied into a rather coarse seed sieve, and the contents are riddled, with some vigour, over a sheet of paper. The golden seed soon comes tumbling out, and with it the most amazing medley of almost microscopic insect life it is possible to conceive. Even the emptied "shucks" left behind in the sieve are undulatory with the creeping and squirming of the discomfited parasites.

An Aid to Matrimony.

This is an extraordinary food, and the effect it has in the bird room is remarkable. In the breeding section, if the aim be to produce hybrids, the mated pairs must be in very advanced breeding form before the first condition essential to success can be established, as every breeder knows. Even with this vital point assured, there still remain instances of partners who rebel against the breeder's arbitrary mating. The use of shepherd's-purse puts these things right. Couples that have hitherto been truculent suspend hostilities, and the riot act is shelved. The hens take sudden interest in wisps of likely nesting stuff, and start to practise their seductive mating calls. The males respond with drooping wings and bursting throat; ardent compliance now swiftly ousting their previous cold aversion.

In honest truth, this jumble of wild seed and insect life is a veritable super-food; one of the very few to successfully challenge, overthrow, and supersede the now declining chickweed. Linnets, above all other birds, are passionately fond of it, and, with the single exception of Goldfinches, who ignore it, there is no seed-eating bird but will find in it something tasty and beneficial. Canaries, Greenfinches, Twites, Redpolls, and Bullfinches in particular, all crowd hard upon the Linnet in their appreciation of its virtues.

Another example of this dual class of wild food is furnished by the finer grasses, many of which commence to seed in June. Not those stout grasses whose yard long seed stems tell so heavily in the farmers' hay stack, and, of course, not the harsh couch grass nor the tough reed, but the sweet, bottom grazing grasses, which are quite well grown if, seed stalk and plume all told, they attain a height of half a foot. These fine grasses bear flowers —or what are the equivalent of flowers—before seeding, and close examination is needed to distinguish the flowering from the seeding stage.

When the distinction is apparent, that is to say, when the grass is actually seeding and not merely flowering, it is ready for the birds. For, coincident with the seeding period, these fine grasses are invariably infested by innumerable parasites of the same minute character as those that are peculiar to shepherd's-purse, and, in collecting them, the bird-keeper is able to annex the highly useful ripening grass seed reinforced by the invaluable element of animal matter contained in the barely visible living insects.

Gives Universal Delight.

All seed-eating birds, quite appropriately, take very readily to this perfectly natural and wholesome fare. The fastidious Goldfinch this time falls into line with the dainty Linnet and the hearty Greenfinch. The Chaffinch and Bramblefinch, even the Buntings, invite themselves to a modest helping. Canaries vie with them all in eager recognition of a real good thing, and adopt it, if they are rearing young, as a substitute which bears quite favourable comparison with chickweed even when that weed is seeding its hardest.

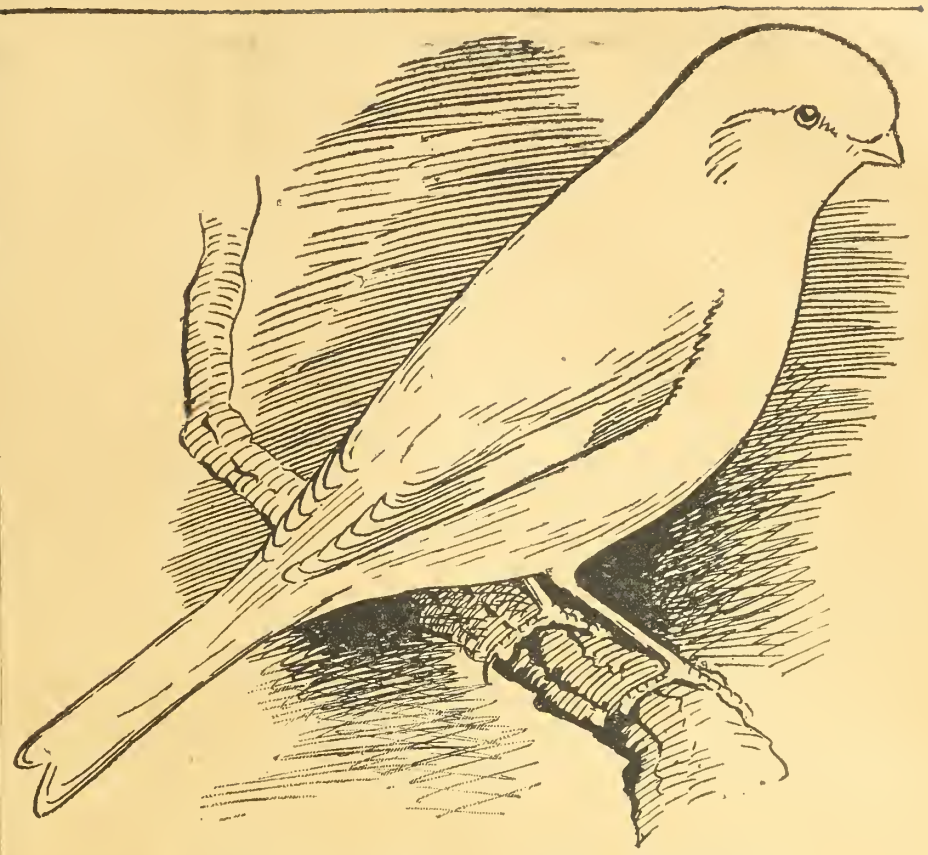
There is no difficulty about conveying these seeding grasses to the Finches. Usually the plants of grass are easily detached from the soil in clumps four or six inches in diameter, which, packed in shallow boxes of convenient size, can be placed on the floor of aviary or flight. This is an excellent method of using these seeding grasses to the best advantage, and it is astonishing how little will be left uneaten by any mixed collection of seed-eaters. If the cages are not roomy enough to allow of this arrangement, it is perhaps best to gather only those stalks of grass that carry seeds, tie them in bunches with cotton, and arrange them as circumstances permit along the cage fronts.

Some Supplies Declining.

Other earlier items of spring dietary are now ending their innings. Broadly speaking, the advent of June marks the exit of chickweed. The yield of dandelion seed-heads also is by this time greatly reduced, soon they, too, will disappear. Whatever supply is yet available may as well be dedicated entirely to the Goldfinches. Groundsel there will still be, though the continuity of its growth is now dependent upon weather conditions; alternate sunshine and showers are favourable to it. So long as it is still to be had in good seeding form it continues as a useful and beneficial auxiliary.

So the principal wild foods of June, named in order of merit, will be shepherd's-purse and the fine seeding grasses—with their attendant parasites, and the seeding heads of groundsel and dandelion; and if the list is not very extensive, it is, all the same, entirely adequate.

The increasing geniality of the season speeds up the development of house-flies, bluebottles, earwigs, caterpillars, ground vermin, etc., which, with the exercise of a little ingenuity, the enterprising bird-keeper will be able to bring into the menu of his Chaffinches, Bramblings, and Buntings.



A BIRD WITH A FINE RECORD.

This typical Buff Norwich Cock won in its first year, 1913, four challenge cups for unflighted birds, also 1st Gillingham, 1st and cup for best bird Deal, 1st and cup best bird Dover, 1st and special Ramsgate, and was instrumental in winning the Kent County Cup for its owner, Mr. F. Pilcher, of Walmer. Last season it won 1st Deal, 3rd Horticultural Hall and 1st Watford Shows.

SOME POPULAR BRITISH BIRDS

Timely Hints on their Hand-rearing, and Feeding and Management in Captivity.

By R. BLAKE (Ross-on-Wye).

I WILL first deal with two favourite Softbills, namely, the Song Thrush (Turdus musicus) and the Blackbird (Turdus merula). Those who wish to hand-rear these birds should now be on the look-out for nests. They are very early nesters; in mild winters I have found their nests as early as February. It is usually placed rather low down in the fork of a young tree, or in a thick hedge, and frequently in an old yew tree. The young should be taken when nicely feathered, about 10 days old; if left after that they become shy, and will not "gape" so readily as the younger birds. I find it best to place them in an old nest, in a basket with a lid, then when you open it the youngsters will at once open their mouths for food.

Feeding the Baby Birds.

There are many different kinds of foods used to rear these birds. The one I generally use is crushed puppy biscuits—Spratts' Ovals, for preference. I then put some bread crusts in the oven, bake them until nicely brown, and crush fairly fine with a rolling pin. I mix equal parts of this and the puppy biscuit together, and pour scalding milk over it, taking care not to have it too sloppy or too dry. Also give a few mealworms, cut up, or small earthworms, slugs, or anything in the way of insect life.

Always bear in mind when hand rearing birds of any kind that they must not be crammed with food; little and often is the motto. Do not think that by stuffing their crops full they will last twice as long—it will only do them harm. If you notice any trace of diarrhœa, add a little pea meal and Indian meal to the biscuit, and give rather dry, with a spot of water in the mouth after; this, I find, will usually correct any looseness. I may say I have reared both Thrushes and Blackbirds solely on pea meal and Indian meal, moistened with hot milk, but I do not care for it so much as the food mentioned above.

The Importance of a Tutor.

The youngsters must be kept scrupulously clean and dry, or cramp will result, and death will surely follow. As soon as the young birds are feeding themselves, I place them in a large cage out of doors, where they can hear the wild birds singing. If they do not hear them they will never have a song worth listening to. Of course, if you have a good adult bird, singing pure wild notes, place the youngsters near his cage for a lesson.

As regards cages for adults, I think there is nothing to beat a large packing case about 4ft. long, 2ft. or 3ft. high, and 2ft. deep, and 1in. mesh wire-netting on the front, and a good coat of tar all over. I keep them out in the garden all the year round, and have a piece of canvas well tarred, to drop over the front at night. In this kind of cage they will keep in excellent health, condition, and song.

I give a good big bath daily, and plenty of earth on the bottom of the cage, and turf about half of it. It is a treat to see the birds searching amongst the earth for worms and other insects when it is freshly put in. I have a board about 5in. or 6in. deep along the bottom to lift up for cleaning out purposes. Don't be led away with the idea that birds will not sing so well in large cages—that's all stuff. No bird sings unless it is healthy and happy, and a large cage where it can take plenty of exercise ensures both health and happiness.

A good house cage is of the box pattern, 30in. to 36in. long, 24in. high, and 18in. deep, with two perches only, and a loose sand tray. It should have two doors, one in front for hanging the bath on and for general use, and one in the side for running the bird into a show cage or a spare cage when necessary. The food I give to adult birds is one part dog meal, such as Spratt's, half-part crissel, and half-part of any good maker's Thrush food. Mix it all together, soften with boiling water, mash it up, and add a little boiled potato, grated carrot, or chopped green-food. Give live food of all kinds; do not forget, when taking a country walk, to carry a small tin with you. If you come across an old, partly decayed log, pull some pieces of bark off it, and you will find a plentiful supply of centipedes, woodlice, etc., that will be greatly relished by the birds. Use also earthworms, maggots, mealworms, slugs, snails, and anything alive in the insect line. Do not forget to keep a stone in the Thrush's cage for him to break the snail shells on.

Points for the Show Bench

The Thrush for exhibition should be large and shapely, and stand well up on the legs. The spots must be small and distinct, and carried well down, while the back, wings, and tail should be a rich olive. A good Thrush should have bright and fearless eyes. The wings should be well carried, and not crossed at the tips. I do not think that the Thrush is improved by colour feeding. Give him through the moult a plentiful supply of fruit, berries of various kinds, and insect food, and he will moult out a grand colour.

The Blackbird for show should be as large as possible, and perfectly steady. The plumage throughout should be glossy black, and very tight. He should have a deep, broad chest, and show a nice curve from beak to vent. Wings should be well braced, and carried evenly. The beak and eye cere must be deep orange in colour; this can be improved by adding a little colour food when about half-way through the moult. A little high grade insectivorous food will be found most useful to put on the final polish.

I will next deal with my favourite Finches, the Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Chaffinch, and Greenfinch. To see the Goldfinch at his best we must see him in his wild state. Nothing is more beautiful than a flock of, say, a dozen Goldies settled on a patch of thistles pulling away at the down to get at the seeds. Then off they go all at once, with a merry twitter, and find a fresh feeding ground—this time perhaps, a patch of groundsel. And so they go on.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

Wagtails in Ireland.

SIR,—The birds I saw last November, and again with young ones, as stated in my letter in CAGE BIRDS of May 22, were most certainly Yellow Wagtails; I could not possibly mistake them for Grey ones, which are quite common here. I was so glad to see the young ones that I called my sister to see them, and we had a splendid view of them picking amongst the young seeds. They are a much more vivid yellow than the Yellowhammer.

SHAMA.

Eleven Eggs in a Clutch.

SIR,—I have a Norwich hen, unflighted, which has laid 11 eggs in one clutch. She missed one day, between sixth and seventh eggs. I have never heard of this before, and I have wondered if this has happened to anyone else. I have read "C.B." for five years, but I never have read of such a clutch in the correspondence columns during that time.

D. ROWLEY.

When Was the First Open Show?

SIR,—My friend, Mr. Butterworth, is quite correct, and I was quite aware of the facts and conditions, and, sorry to say, its general failure. In my remarks at Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S. I should have been reported to have said "the first show held by a Manchester Society" the latter show was held in the same hall, and was an immense success. I know Levi will quite understand me. Nevertheless, his remarks will have revived old records.

BARKER CLEGG.

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

SIR,—Allow me a little space to outradict "Hyson Green" and plainly tell him there is not a word of truth in his statement. I never inferred I had the monopoly of Hyson Green. I don't want to back out of anything I have said, but I like the truth above all things, especially as he, like his friends, stands behind a wall to throw his mud. I did say there are too many men posing as judges who don't know as much about the birds as the exhibitors themselves, and can back my opinion with a score of cases, both in British and Foreign. I know of cases in the Foreign section where the judges have had to ask the names of the birds. I cannot attempt to defend myself here (it would take too much of your valuable space) but let "Hyson Green" come to our next meeting and bring his backers with him, and I will argue the point personally. Let the Fancy draw their conclusions from that.

"Come one, come all, this rock shall fly,
From its firm base as soon as I."

J. W. SAYWELL.

SIR.—Instead of discussing White Rose, Mr. Parlett appears to have got excited about suppers, Kaisers, baskets, Paddy, spoons, mascots, etc., all of which would no doubt be interesting subjects if discussed in the proper place, but in CAGE BIRDS let us discuss birds, and not abuse persons because they have an opinion contrary to our own. Mr. Parlett draws attention to an alleged challenge of Dec. 6, 1913. Fanciers that I heard speak about it did not regard it as a challenge but as a scheme to influence judges to accept "White Rose" as a Canary-Bullfinch. Another letter appeared just about the same date, giving particulars of the breeding of "White Rose," the letter stated that both a cock Greenfinch and a cock Canary were with the hen Bullfinch.

Further discussion on this bird's parentage should no longer be needed after the very life-like picture your artist has given us on the front page of CAGE BIRDS; to observant fanciers with experience and an unbiassed mind, the picture ought to be sufficient evidence. Such a massive head, large bold eye, large stout beak, and massive build of body never was seen on a bird bred from a Canary and a British Bullfinch. The picture also proves the truth of my assertion that it is a badly splashed bird. Splashes are on the saddle, wing coverts, breast and flanks, tail, and, last but not least, the left wing, where the outer flights are dark and the inner flights light, which latter is quite contrary to the markings of Canary Mules, but is of frequent occurrence among British birds. There is one point that your artist has been unable to give us in his grand picture, and that is the very distinct Greenfinch yellow bar on the flight and tail feathers. Those bars are quite conspicuous on the bird itself, and it is utterly impossible to get those yellow bars from a Canary or a Bullfinch, for neither of these birds possess them.

PATRICK.

Concerning the Cuckoo.

SIR,—In "Country Life" of May 29, I notice the following editorial reply to a correspondent who asks "Have cuckoos ever been kept alive in confinement for any considerable time—say a year?" "Yes; you may very frequently see Cuckoos exhibited at shows of cage birds, though the practice of keeping them so is not to be commended. An exhibitor at the Crystal Palace informed the writer that he had been successful in keeping a bird for three years."

Is it really a fact that Cuckoos are "very frequently" exhibited, and can they be kept in captivity for three years? I have never seen one at any show, and I have understood that it is impossible to keep these birds.

BIRD KEEPER.

A Linnet and Canary Club for Burley.

SIR,—It is intended to form a Linnet and Canary singing club, with headquarters at "Pressers Arms," Wordsworth Street, Kirkstall Road, Leeds. As there are a great many fanciers at this side of Leeds, it is to be hoped that there will be a good turn-up of intending members on June 6, at 3, when some definite arrangements can be made re election of officials, etc. Mr. Copley, the proprietor, has promised a substantial prize to be sung for, open to all comers—that is, providing a good membership can be got together. "The Pressers" is well known for its long-established Lark singing club, and in forming the Linnet and Canary Club it is not intended in any way to interfere with the working of the Skylark Club, but to work in harmony together, choosing alternative dates each week for the respective contests. Linnet fanciers, now, hustle a bit; do it now; come along on Saturday afternoon, not forgetting to bring a bird with you. If you do not fancy Linnets, the Lark fanciers will extend the hand of fellowship to you. It is desirable that the intended club should be placed on a good financial basis, and a hearty invitation is extended to all fanciers to come and help to make it a success.

W. SMITH, Hon. Sec.

A Homing Greenfinch.

SIR,—As a constant reader of your interesting paper CAGE BIRDS, I write to tell you of an experience I had this afternoon, May 26. Having three cock Greenfinches caged by themselves (two wild caught and one home-bred), and being in want of room, I decided to liberate them. I opened the door of the inner compartment of the aviary, and after a few minutes the house-bred bird flew out and straight away, and was not seen afterwards. Then one of the wild-caught birds came out, perched in small tree, and started singing, and after a few minutes he flew away over the house tops clean out of sight. To my amazement he soon returned, flew down into the garden, and on to the wire front of the aviary, trying to get in. Six or seven times the bird flew away and returned. Being so astonished I called out my wife and daughter, but the bird was gone again, so we all sat in garden and waited. In a few minutes the bird came back just like a homing Pigeon, over the house tops, and then down into the garden and through the side door of the inner compartment to its cage. The third bird would not come out, except as far as the entrance and back again. I might say that the flight where the birds were shut off is five feet back from entrance door, and cannot be seen from the outside. Considering we are almost in the centre of a large town, with thousands of houses all round, I think this is extraordinary. The bird is now in its cage, and a lovely specimen it is. If any of your readers doubt, and would like to call any Saturday afternoon, I am willing to liberate the bird again, for I am convinced it would return. I might say that the bird has not been paired this year, but bred two Mules the year before last. The time between the bird's coming out and its return to its cage was only about half an hour, and I think this goes to prove that if birds are properly cared for they are happy in confinement.

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The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

SIR.—I am disappointed to see what promised to be an interesting and instructive controversy spoiled by the actions of a few jealous fanciers. The motives of such fanciers must be obvious to all interested in Plainheads, and not persons. Why did they all rush to the Fancy Press criticising another fancier's efforts, and yet are themselves unable to find words appertaining to the subject under discussion? They gladly tell us of the number of years they have been in the Fancy, and of the honours their birds have won; but have they produced these champions from their own brains, or otherwise, for not one word will they say as to how they have been produced? It was with pleasure I noted Mr. Allsopp's real sporting offer to his critics. May there be many who "fancy their chance"; also may we have many more of his interesting and original articles.

OBSERVER.

SIR,—If Mr. Bastock is still inclined to his views that the modern Plainhead cannot be produced without the Crest-bred, he could not, I am sure, do better than read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest the article of Mr. Brown, of Plymouth; although in passing I may say I note with surprise the Crest and Cinnamon breeders in this important matter of size are held up as "paragons of virtue," or at least their respective breeds, as examples of size attained without recourse to alien blood—an exalted position I do not begrudge them, but nevertheless think undeserved. What would have been of great interest would have been the views of Mr. Bastock upon why the Crest-bred was the only desirable cross to ensure the correct head properties in our breed, and I hope he will yet favour us. I thank him for his kind invitation to call when next in Birmingham to see a good sample reeking with Crest-bred blood; but what I should really like to see is a good up-to-date sample, guaranteed pure and unadulterated, and not requiring any outside assistance.

E. W. ALLSOPP.

Sad Havoc Among Young Birds.

Many Thrushes Drowned in Their Nests.

SIR,—For many years past I have been a keen observer of birds and their nests, but never have I seen such havoc as during the past week or two. This village in North Somerset was visited on Friday, May 7, by a very violent thunderstorm, accompanied by tremendously heavy rain and hail—such as I never remember at this time of the year. On visiting the nests the next day I found about a dozen containing young, all of which were dead, having been drowned by the heavy rain. The Thrushes suffered most; their nests being lined with mud, the water could not soak through them so quickly. It struck me as curious that the nests of small birds, such as Robins, Chaffinches, Wrens, etc., had escaped destruction. This I could not account for, but perhaps some of your readers have known the same thing happen, and could enlighten me. I thought perhaps, being so much smaller in circumference, they would not admit the same quantity of rain. Most of the nests which contained eggs had been deserted. On Thursday last, the 13th, after a heavy day's rain, I found three more nests of young which had suffered the same fate as those on the 7th. It was piteous to see the parent birds bringing food; when they found what had happened they would keep flying around uttering the most plaintive cries.

ROBERT WILLS.

The Craze for Size in Norwich Plainheads.

SIR,—I have read with great satisfaction Mr. Brown's notes on the Norwich Plainhead in your last issue, and whilst agreeing with him in his main conclusions, I think that he assumes that it is only the Norwich that is open to argument. Is Mr. Brown right in suggesting that the Lancashire, the Crest, and the Cinnamon are any nearer to Standard than the Norwich? Judges differ in their estimate of points in the three latter breeds quite as much as in the Norwich, and in my own opinion the average winner in the Plainhead classes is really nearer to standard than in most breeds. To me it is a healthy sign that there is a desire to better the standard of judging in the Norwich rather than the apathy generally shown in the Lancashire, Cinnamon, and to some extent in the Crest Fancies. It has been my lot to judge several western shows during the last three or four years, and I fully realise the difficulties that face a judge when he has to discriminate between birds which differ in type, and, whilst no one likes size better than myself, I think it quite easy to differentiate between size and length, and it is the latter fault which is so detrimental to the Norwich Plainhead—a bird can be too small for the show bench; he cannot be too big, but he may be too long. Browy heads, again, are a blemish, but so are small narrow heads, and I would rather have the former fault in my stock than the latter, but it should only appear when over the second moult.

To illustrate my point, I might take two buff cocks shown by those well-known old Cornish fanciers, Messrs. Stephens and Gaved in 1914. One was a good sized, big headed bird, a trifle browy, and perhaps a bit long, the other was smaller, more shapely, and had about the best feather I have ever seen on a buff cock, but he was very weak in head. At Exeter show the smaller bird won, with the other, I think, 3rd. At Plymouth, a week later, the larger bird was 4th in a very strong class, and the other unnoticed, while at Bodmin and other Cornish shows the positions were again reversed. Most of the Norwich Fanciers at Plymouth greatly preferred the larger bird, myself amongst them, but on a balance of points, I hardly know which should be the winner, though I think a small head a fatal blemish in good company. In the W.C.O.S. at Plymouth, and I have no doubt in other societies, there are fanciers who have built and are building up strains of Plainheads, big in size and true to type without giving extortionate prices for their stock birds, but, as Mr. Brown says, it takes time. It cannot be done by using small headed cock birds, however good in other points, and my experience from enquiries I get is that most Norwich fanciers have come to this conclusion. Mr. Brown's opinion about outside crosses is, I believe, the opinion of most of the Plymouth fanciers. We all have come to the conclusion that after all the Norwich Plainhead is really bigger, where size and not length is required, than either the Lancashire, the Crest bred or the Cinnamon.

I have always thought that although the standard of a breed must apply to all of the breed, yet we should make some difference between yellows and buffs, and cocks and hens in our estimate of the value of points. I consider size, especially in head, necessary in the cocks, but should not take so much notice of lack of same in hens. This would also apply to colour; shape, quality, and tightness of feather being the points to be looked for in the hen. I should always expect to get a bigger chest in the buff, and should allow something for a slight fullness between the thighs in the buff, as compared with the yellow. The yellow should be clean cut behind, and be allowed a point or so if not so bold in front as the Buff. These remarks of course only apply to the bird that is not perfection, the perfect bird requires no allowances.

THOS. POPE.

Our Front Page of Last Week.

SIR,—Kindly accept my thanks for the glorious picture of your artist, produced last week, of two magnificent birds. Seldom, if ever, has such a picture been produced before. We have one of the best Greenfinch Mules, if not the best, ever put on the show bench, winner of 88 first prizes, and not done yet, alongside the sensation of the cage bird Fancy "White Rose." The Greenfinch Mule shows the yellow flush of the Greenfinch wings and tail to perfection, and the type and shape also of Greenfinch. The Canary-Bullfinch shows the yellow only of the Canary; certainly something more on the black feathers, but no more than the Canary on the light feathers. He has the size, type and quality of that most expert breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Canary, W. Vardy, from whom its father originally came. I heard a fancier at the Horticultural Hall say: "Chance what it is, I would pay something for two Norwich hens like it!" The "White Rose" is certainly superior in size, type and quality (in fact, everything but colour) to any Canary-Bullfinch yet bred. Who can expect to get the high colour on so clear a bird as you find on a dark specimen of any breed? When I called for my CAGE BIRDS last week, I asked if I could have a few extra copies; the clerk told me he had had a job to save this one, even though it was ordered. He asked: Is there something special in it? I replied: I don't know yet. On receiving it I said: Well, there's something in it the Germans have not produced yet, and both were made in Yorkshire. Good luck, old lad!

R. D. PARLETT.

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SIR,—I am pleased to inform you that through the medium of your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, I have sold 90 Seifert Rollers, cocks and hens, and have many letters of thanks for quality and condition of my birds. I hope the Roller fanciers will bestir themselves and keep the tours of the Rollers up to contest pitch. I have always found the British-bred birds superior to the imported ones. I am looking forward to a successful breeding season, and wish the same to all Roller fanciers.

(MISS) M. THOMAS.

A Cage Bird Society for Pontypool.

SIR,—I thank you sincerely for the help you have rendered us in the formation of our society in placing it before the public through the medium of your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, and I can assure you I advise every member to take the same weekly. I may tell you that Abersychan C.B.S. is about midway between Pontypool and Blaenavon, and Blaenavon is about five miles away, up on the mountains. Pontypool is the centre pivot, as it were, and it seems the place for a society, as I was a member of Abersychan myself, but could not induce fanciers to join, as it was going away from the town altogether, but many promised to join a society in Pontypool, so you will see the reason we started here and the result of only two meetings.

H. H. VAUGHAN.

Do Small Fosters Mean Small Birds?

SIR,—I should be glad if any of the readers of CAGE BIRDS would tell me if they have ever tried the Border Fancy Canaries as feeders for rearing exhibition Norwich Plainheads. Last season I tried a pair or two, but though the eggs were from good-sized Norwich, I found the young did not come up to the size I thought they ought to have done. The Borders seemed to have fed well, but I wondered if they are considered large enough for the feeding of exhibition Norwich, and I should be pleased if anyone could enlighten me on the subject.

A BREEDER OF NORWICH.

Birds in the Firing Line.

A Skylark's Nest Between the Trenches.

SIR,—Having been a regular reader of CAGE BIRDS, I thought the following would interest your readers. I might say that I am only a few yards from the German trenches, and while on sentry, looking for Germans, I noticed a pair of Skylarks hovering overhead; the hen bird seemed to be carrying food for her nestlings, while the cock bird was sky high, singing for all he was worth. The most remarkable thing was that their nest is in between our trench and the Germans', and the birds work all day seeking food for their little ones, heedless of the shelling and rifle fire, which goes on nearly all day. Since being out here I have noticed close to the firing lines the following birds: Chaffinches, Linnets, Yellowhammers, and Larks, also our friend the Blackbird, and they are all in full song. Another bird I saw was a Cuckoo flying very low towards a wood, and he was "cuckooing" all the time. This bird was the last in the world I thought of seeing anywhere near here. I will write again, so good-bye for the present, and good luck to CAGE BIRDS.

PTE. WM. HARPER
(2nd Scottish Rifles).

Club Reports.

PORTH AND RHONDDA C.B.S.

Meeting May 18, headquarters, Mr. Bevan chair. Poor attendance; it seems no good trying to get members to attend. A good amount of business was gone through. Mr. Davies (Cardiff) was elected judge for F.F. show; one new member was elected. Members please note that birds must be staged by four at latest. Mr. Legg show manager. Also, please attend meetings and help us to make our show a success, as we intend to have an open show in the near future.

Meeting, May 26th, Porth Hotel, Mr. Hillman chair, and a poor attendance. A good amount of show business was gone through; it was decided to alter the time of staging birds to 5 o'clock so as to give everyone a chance. Members who have not paid their subs. by the last meeting in June will not be allowed to show. Members please attend next meeting, June 9, as we have very important business on hand.—J. S. Jones, Hon. Sec.

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CAMBUSLANG C.B.A.

Meeting, May 29, Free Gardeners' Hall, Mr. A. Crawford chair. Classification for annual show was made: 19 classes for Canaries, 12 British, the Mule and Hybrid section being left until a later meeting. Decided to have a Saturday afternoon ramble to Crossford, June 19, leaving place of meeting at 1 o'clock. Also agreed to hold F.F. show July 31. Arrangements to be made next meeting, June 26.—S. Lindsay, Sec.

CLYDEBANK C.B.C.

Meeting, May 20, 81, Kilbowie Rd., Mr. McGown presiding. Judges engaged for annual show: Mr. R. Jeffrey, Catcheart, and Mr. P. McQuiston, Ayr. Classes agreed for F.F. show as follows: Nor. 4, Bord. 1, Yorks. 1, A.O.V. 1, Light or Var. Mules 1, Dark 1, Hyb. 1, Crests 1, C.-B. 1. Birds staged 2.30. Entry 3d. Mr. R. Jeffrey judge. It was left to see and treas. to engage the hall for annual show, and it was agreed to have classes open to clubs in Dumbartonshire at annual show; details to be fixed at further meetings.—Wm. Kane, Sec.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Lecture on colour feeding given by Mr. J. W. Ramsden, May 18. A very fine attendance of members and several friends were present. Mr. Ramsden was given a very hearty welcome, and his lecture was heartily received. There was not much, said Mr. Ramsden, that had not already been said in reference to colour feeding, so he (the lecturer) had brought a specimen colour bird and specimens and samples of natural and prepared colour food. A discussion followed, with great interest. A vote of thanks to Mr. Ramsden was carried. Mr. Ramsden replied, and a pleasant evening closed.—D. Keeps, Hon. Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

May meeting held Maskell's Hotel, Mr. Whetton presiding. Resolved to hold the young bird show June 16, at Naish's Royal Stores, The Hayes; judges: Nor., Mr. A. Maggs; Yorks., Mr. S. F. Whetton; remainder, Mr. E. J. Davies. Points for special prizes to count as in cup competitions—that is, backwards from commended. The following members promised specials: Messrs. E. J. Banks, A. Ball, Brailli, H. C. Smith, Whetton, and E. J. Davies. I trust all members will make an effort to attend next meeting; subs are now due for 1915-16. —E. Thomas Sec.

MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.

Meeting headquarters, May 27, Mr. Willows chair. New members accepted: Messrs. Heatherley, Smith, Thompson. Only a few members were present for the important business of fixing show date and selection of judges. Decided to hold the annual show Nov. 4 and 5, and we hope members and Roller fanciers will notice date. New rule books for 1915 will be sent out in a week. Breeding results are very favourable, and close upon 1,000 rings have been disposed of by the society. Next meeting a lecture will be given by Mr. Willows on the Training of the Roller for Exhibition. Vote of thanks to chair terminated an enjoyable meeting.—J. W. Thomson, Hon. Sec.

PONTYPOOL C.B.S.

Meeting, Osborne Restaurant, Crane Street, May 29, Mr. W. Amphlet chair. Decided to make the restaurant our headquarters. All our members were present and six new ones were added: Messrs. Mason, Curtis, Smith, Prosser, Welsh and Dowell. These now make up our membership to 17, and we still hope to have a few more. A good deal of business was done in connection with the formation of the rules, etc., and a member kindly promised a donation of one guinea to our funds. A few questions were asked concerning colour feeding, and our chairman kindly consented to give an exhibition on the mixing of the same at next meeting June 19.—H. H. Vaughan, Hon. Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

At the May meeting further arrangements were made for the Young Bird Show, June 19, at headquarters. Decided to ask Mr. F. Bate to judge. Birds staged at 10 a.m. The suggestion to hold a second show in July at Longton was left for consideration at next meeting. Entry fee fixed at 7d. per cage, 1d. deducted towards staging fund. Extra classes were added for F.M. Linnet, Goldf. and Siskin, etc., Mr. Pitchford offers a brass cage, and Mr. Alcock a Wedgwood teapot for first and second most points with four highest birds at one N.F. Show and Annual Members' Winter Show, the highest point winner to have first choice. The thanks of the members were accorded to the donors of these prizes. Next meeting, June 7.—J. Pitchford.

HALIFAX C.B.S.

An air gun shooting match, Open v. Novices, was held May 26 in the King Cross Band Room, and proved very interesting. There was a capital turn-up of members, and the shooting was excellent, considering that most had not previously handled a gun, and some splendid scores were made. Out of a possible 40, with eight shots, the lowest score was 27 and the highest 35, while several 34 scores were made. The Open competitors proved the victors by 42 points. One of the novices has to shoot off yet, but even if he got a full score the open section wins. It is hoped that another match will soon be arranged. Thanks were given to the Trafalgar Air Gun Club for the use of the rifles and range.—A. Sutcliffe, Sec.

YORKSHIRE UNION OF C.B.S.

Council meeting, May 29, Mr. J. Butler chair. A good deal of discussion took place with regard to next season's shows and the sliding scale, some delegates being of the opinion that all entry money in classes of 14 and under should be paid in prizes, pointing out that the exhibitor was badly treated last season, and if this continued we should drive them away instead of encouraging them. On the other hand, delegates were anxious to know how societies were going to make ends meet in paying all entry money in prizes. The result of the voting was in favour of the sliding scale as last year viz., a penny in the shilling deducted in classes of fourteen and under, but that societies be allowed to give what specials they think fit, in lieu of paying money specials. Mr. J. Firth (Tong) was elected on the sub-committee in place of Mr. Brown. Mr. Errington again offered two valuable specials in each section for birds fed on his colour food, which were accepted with thanks. Full patronage was granted to the Bradford National Show, Dec. 3 and 4, where points for all the Union competitors will count. Tenders for printing the Union handbook were gone through, Mr. J. C. Southwart proving successful. A very interesting topic came up at the close of the meeting: "What are the qualifications of a novice?" I hope to give a few notes about it next week.—S. Midgley, Hon. Sec.

QUEEN'S PARK (Glasgow) C.B.S.

Meeting, Marie Stuart Halls, Govanhill, May 26, Mr. R. Heggie chair. The attendance was very small. Final arrangements for F.F. Show were made, and it is hoped that members will endeavour to make it a record. A good number of specials have been promised. Any member changing his address might notify Secretary next meeting, July 3, at 3.—Edward Holliday, Sec.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Meeting and lecture, Amalgamated Musician's Hall, Napiershall Street, May 25, Mr. Gibb presiding over a good attendance. Mr. Watson, Dennistoun, entertained the members to a very enjoyable and instructive lecture on British birds, dealing on wild seeds and hand-rearing and moulting of British birds. Mr. Watson had a very hot time with questions, and answered the same in a very practical manner. Ramble fixed for June 26, to Lochwinnock, train leaving St. Enoch 2.1; members and friends cordially invited. Further particulars can be had from secretary. Vote of thanks to chairman and lecturer brought a pleasant meeting to a close. —J. Houston, Sec.

SHEFFIELD (Amalgamated).

A full representative meeting of committee was held May 20, delegates from the Sheffield C.B.S., Walkley C.B.S., Attercliffe C.B.S., and Rotherham being present. Mr. Jones presided. The Foresters' Hall, Trippet Lane, was to be engaged for the show, and date fixed for Oct. 30. Messrs. Barnes and Mason, judges. No delegates being present from the Sheffield O.S., it was unanimously decided that the societies represented go on with the show without the S.O.S. Prizes, 6s., 4s., 2s., 1s., if 8 entries; 7 or less, half prize money; no cancelling or amalgamation. Entry fee 9d. Profits from the show will be given to the fund in most urgent need at the time. Classification: 4 classes each, young Yorks., old do., young Nor., old do., viz.: cl. or tkd. yell.; do. buff; mkd., yell. or buff; hen, any col. The Attercliffe delegates went strong for some classes for Green Yorks., and a separate section is to be allowed. Delegates to report at next meeting what was required. Crests and Mules were left, under the same conditions, to the Sheffield C.B.S. British: Goldf. or Bulif.; Greenf.; Linnet; Redpoll, Siskin, or Twite; A.O. Hardbill; Softbills, larger than Wheatear; do. Wheatear and smaller. Foreign were left on same conditions as Greens and Crests. No selling classes. Gift class, no entry fee; no prize money, but cards given. 10s. was promised towards a team trophy, the form to be considered later. Rules for same: 4 highest awards in the young Canary sections or British to count, and members to state distinctly on entry form which society they are showing for. Young Canaries to have been bred by exhibitor. Next meeting June 23, at 8.30. Each society is allowed three delegates. Vote of thanks to chair closed a very enthusiastic meeting.—C. Tomlinson, Assist. Sec. and Press

Country Rambles

LEYTON C.B.A.

About 30 members and friends turned up for the annual ramble to Loughton, May 15. The day was fine, but rather dull, so not very much song was heard. Nests were found of the Blackbird, Thrush, Bullfinch, Linnet, Longtailed Tit, Chaffinch, Goldcrested Wren, and several others. Those of the Bullfinch were very scarce, whilst Linnets were plentiful. Arriving at the "Owl," an excellent repast was found ready, after which a musical evening was spent. Songs were well rendered by Messrs. Jeremiah, Bramble, East, Wilkins, Withers, Collinge, and Rhodes, and a clever character sketch was given by Mr. Perry. Mr. Carr presided at the piano. After singing the National Anthem, the party left for home at 9.30, the song of the Nightingale being heard on the way.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

LAISTERDYKE, BOWLING AND TONG COMBINATION.

Ramble, May 23, to the Washburn Valley District, with only a very moderate turn-up. Under the guidance of Mr. G. Pownall, who had the route mapped out, we went across the moor, then visited the Almcliffs Craggs, a very enjoyable sight. Then we cut across the valley to Farnley, where we had tea. After all the outing was one of the best. Everybody enjoyed it, and are looking forward to Bank Holiday Sunday, to make another. But it is hoped that it will then comprise rather more train or tram, so that members can take their wives. I might say to those members who did not turn up and who wanted it to be a full day's ramble, that we started from home at 8 o'clock a.m., returned 12.10 midnight. I think this was full enough.—J. E. Hudson, Hon. Sec.

COLINTON & CURRIE PARISHES.

Fourth annual ramble (in conjunction with Edin. C.B.S. and Leith C.B.S.) through the woods of Dryhorn estate, Colinton, permission being kindly granted by Miss Stewart Clark. A good muster left Colinton station and walked to Dryhorn, where they met their guide, Mr. Smith, head gardener on the estate, who had kindly consented to accompany us. We took to the woods right away and were in our glory, nests in galore being seen. We had discovered twenty nests after we had been 15 minutes in the grounds, and we had to call a halt several times to gather our party together, so keen were they on the nests and so many being successful in getting finds. It fell to Mr. Brown, Sec. of the Leith Club, to have the find of the day, a nest containing four young Bullfinches about 10 days old; Bullfinches are very rare in this quarter. After another halt we set off on another strip of wood, and I think we would be safe to name this piece of wood the Chaffinch wood, as seldom have so many Chaffinch nests been seen together; in one bush alone there were three such nests, in fact 20 were found in about 50 yards. We found here a nest of eggs which caused quite a debate as to the bird they belonged to; but unfortunately we did not get a look at the bird. After finishing this strip of wood we arrived at the gardens, and here the gardener showed us two flower-pots, one containing a Wren's nest and the other a Swallow's; the two pots were hanging side by side, and the gardener told us these flower-pots have been occupied for the last fifteen years by a Wren and a Swallow. After passing through the gardens we came to another strip of wood, but by this time the company were beginning to feel the effects of hunger; nearly four hours romping in the woods had had its effect on them, and this strip of wood was not searched as it would have been earlier in the day. It was impossible to keep account of all the nests found; they were so plentiful that all agreed we had seen nearer 200 than 100. At Juniper Green tea was provided by the Juniper Green Co-op. Society, Ltd., in the Village Hall, and we did ample justice to it. After tea we spent an hour in song, songs being rendered by Messrs. Charlton, Brown, Napier, Hay, Ferguson, Galloway, Preston, Dickson and others, but as the members of the Edinburgh and Leith clubs had to catch the train we had to get a move on. The members of the Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S. accompanied them to the station, and all were delighted with their day's outing. It is hoped that another ramble will be arranged for July or August, when the gardens are in full bloom, Mr. Smith, our guide, being very anxious that we should come and see the place at its best, and if Miss Stewart-Clark will kindly grant us permission we shall be delighted to accept Mr. Smith's invitation.—J. Napier.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, May 29, Headquarters, Commercial Hotel. 31 birds entered for three prizes. 1, Plows; 2, Collinson; 3, Cooper. Timekeepers, O. Potter, R. Plows; tappers, A. Cooper, J. Wallis. The best singing of the season was heard.—R. Plows, Sec. (See rule above as to advertisements.—Ed.)

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, open sing, May 29; 44 birds entered for four prizes, four minutes' time singing, five seconds a break; 1, Scotson, 90; 2, Scott, 72; 3, Evans, 57; 4, Blackshear, 54. Open sing, May 30; 37 birds entered for four prizes, three minutes' time singing; 1, Jones, 159; 2, Williams, 88; 3, Pugh, 75; 4, Beard, 71.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEIGH.

Open contest, Globe Inn, May 29, for time and quality; 36 birds, 5 minutes sing. Quality: 1, J. W. Jones; 2, T. Statham; 3, Bates; 4, Cowburn. Time: 1, Fairhurst and Knowles, dead heat, 109 each; 3, T. Knowles, 95; 4, S. Rigby, 88. Timers, J. Statham, W. Meadows; minutes, J. Whittle; tappers, Cursley, Cornish; judges, Gibbons and Jones. Hindsford Inn contest is postponed till June 13, when we hope to see all old friends.—R. Disley, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge St., May 22; four mins. time singing for eight copper kettles and a special; 1, Watkiss 2, Nelson; 3, Morley; 4, Brindley; 5, Wainwright; 6, Plows; 7, Smith; 8, Cpl. Liversidge; 9, Ratcliff. Open sing May 24 at Pointer Potteries for four prizes; 1, Williams; 2, Wainwright; 3, Morley; Plows and Watkiss shared fourth. Open sing May 25, George and Dragon, for four prizes; 1, Morley; 2, Nelson; 3, Watkiss; 4, Wainwright. Members' sing May 29; 1, Watkiss; 2, Nelson; 3, Brindley. One of our members would like to make a match, time singing, for five or ten pounds a side, one minute spring, three minutes bluff, five seconds a break; open to any bird in Yorkshire.—S. Morley, Sec.

SPENNYMOOR.

Linnet singing contest, Butcher's Arms, May 22, and the largest entry for two years. We had to divide the singing to let singers get home with the trains. Divided: Dixon, Spennymoor; Wear, Newcastle; Henry, Broom Park; Jackson, Merrington Lane. Judge, Fairless; timekeeper, Telford. Linnet singing, May 24, Spennymoor; 24 birds faced judge; 1, Vincent, Spennymoor; 2, Bendelow, Cornforth; 3, Booth, Merrington Lane. Judge Fairless. Timekeeper, Telford.—Jackson, Sec.

On account of having so many birds on the 22nd, we did not get a meeting on, so have had to put it off until June 5. A meeting will be held at Butcher's Arms, Merrington Lane, Spennymoor, June 5, at 7. Anyone wishing to become a member, please send name to Wm. Fairless, 5, Pit Row, East Howle, Ferryhill, Durham.

LEEDS.

Annual open contest, Old Bird House, Skinners Arms, Buslingthorpe. The singing was beautiful, and when the numbers were called out there was a thunder of applause from the crowded room, each bird having been judged to perfection. 1, King; 2, Binns; 3, Laycock; 4, Hullin; 5, Appleyard; 6, Blackburn. Judges were C. Clayton and J. Sellars. We are open now for fresh members; Saturday contests till further notice. Birds to be hung at 3.—C. Clayton, Sec.

Series of quality Linnet singing matches held by the Leeds and Dist. Quality Singing Linnet Club at Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds, during the holidays. Championship match, Whit Monday, 1st and 2nd dividod, Lorriman and Turner; 3, Hayes; 4, Robinson; 5, Wigfield; 6, Bamfield; 8, 10, Turner; 9, Playforth; 11, Boyd; 12, Solomon. Judges, C. Cooper, P. Madden. Specials were given by Messrs. Woodhead Bros. and M. H. Dickinson which were divided amongst the competitors. May 25, 30 competed: 1, Wigfield; 2, Turner; 3, Hayes; 4, Playforth. Judges S. Butterfield, P. Madden, J. Wright. May 29, 34 birds; 1, Hayes; 2, Lawrence; 3, Wigfield; 4, Lorriman. Judges, H. Playforth, P. Madden, J. Wright. May 30, 40 birds; 1, C. Lorriman; 2, Wigfield; 3, A. Lorriman; 4, 5, divided Hayes and Turner. Judges, Lorriman, Butterfield, and Madden. We were pleased to enrol the old-time members, Mr. Dearlove and Mr. Tom Summers.—Fred Turner, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., 26th annual all-England contest for quality Linnet singing, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, May 24; 48 birds sang for 14 prizes; 1, 13, Gomersall; 2, S. Johnson; 3, C. Ward; 4, T. Chadwick; 5, W. Sissons; 6, J. Chadwick; 7, J. Chippendale; 8, J. Hollingworth; 9, T. Johnson; 10, T. Stead; 11, Richardson; 12, 14, Butler. Judges, Hardcastle, Naylor and Jennings. May 25; 28 sang for four prizes; 1, S. Johnson; 2, Appleyard; 3, C. Ward; 4, J. Chadwick. Judges, Naylor and Condliffe. May 29, 18 birds sang for three prizes; 1, C. Ward; 2, S. Johnson; 3, W. Sissons. Judges, Crane and Lacy. May 30; 27 sang for four prizes; 1 C. Ward; 2, S. Johnson; 3, Richardson; 4, Chippendale. Judges, Jennings, Naylor, Grant.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

TREE FOR AVIARY (E. P.).—A small fir or yew, or a large bushy plant of common box would be as suitable a thing in evergreens as you could have for your indoor aviary. In either case it would be best to have the shrub growing in a large pot or tub, so that you could take it into the open now and again to give it a good wash, as they are apt to become unsightly after a short stay in a well-stocked aviary. It would be a still better plan to have two separate shrubs grown in this manner, so that you could keep one in the open air to recuperate a little whilst the other was doing duty in the aviary, as the birds generally make short work of plants in an aviary.

SWELLING ROUND EYE (John Pawley).—You cannot properly treat the hen whilst she is bringing up a brood of young. Wait until the young are sufficiently developed to be left for the cock to finish their upbringing, which will be soon after they can get out of the nest. Then cage the hen alone, give every second day for a week or so, to clear the blood, a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flour ot sulphur and then sprinkled with maw seed. Also make a decoction by placing six or eight camomile flowers in a breakfast cup, fill up with boiling water, and allow it to infuse, covered over, beside the fire for an hour. Then strain off the clear liquor, and add a small teaspoonful of boracic acid to it. Bathe the eye with a little of this decoction once daily, using a drop of fresh liquor and a fresh wad of wool each time to bathe with, and burn at once that which you have used. See that the cage and perches are kept as clear as possible.

CANNOT PERCH (C. Taylor).—I hope your confidence in the advice you receive will be suitably rewarded, but, really, I am afraid you do not give me sufficient particulars about the bird's condition, especially about the condition of its feet and legs, for me to have so much confidence in the advice, which I can only give on somewhat general lines. Examine first the feet, to see if the claws are much overgrown, and if this is the case trim them back to a proper length with a small pair of nail scissors, after first bathing them well in warm water to clean them. If claws are not overgrown, bathe feet for a few minutes daily for a few days in a warm solution of wych hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing, dry gently, and anoint them sparingly with boracic ointment. Also see that the perches are of a proper size and shape, and securely fixed in position. For three days add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water, and after this give instead twenty drops of Chemical Food in the water two days in every three for a month. Give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it every third day for a month, and a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats twice a week, in addition to its staple diet of plain canary seed.

SITTING WITHOUT LAYING (J. Tabraham).—Sorry to discourage you, but I do not think you have a ghost of a chance of succeeding this season with these birds, even if you do any good with them any more. They are probably past their utility stage as breeding stock, and the best advice I can give you is to clear them out and start afresh with a stud of healthy, vigorous, young stock. The hens may be turned to some useful account if you have any clutches of eggs deserted by other hens, by placing them under these hens, which will in all probability hatch out and rear the young quite well. If you have no such eggs, try to get a clutch of wild Finch's eggs—Linnet or Greenfinch—and give them to hatch and rear. It is just probable that after rearing a brood in this way they may nest and lay on their own account, although I am not over-sanguine about it.

NOT FEEDING (Roby, 146).—As the hen has failed you twice, both with and without the cock being left with her to assist in the rearing, the only rational method is to endeavour to have another hen available to undertake the duty of rearing the next brood of young. If this is not practicable, you must tempt her as much as possible with a variety of green food and soft foods. In a general way, treat her the same as advised to "Trip" in last issue, and for green food give a small strip young leaf of lettuce, or a few of the flowering tips of groundsel. Do not omit the calin bath; be very careful that the caked rape does not become sour; and do not interfere with her more than is quite unavoidable. Take the cock away again as soon as she commences to sit.

LOSS OF VOICE (G. Hayden).—Giving a bath daily through the winter would not necessarily cause a robust bird to lose its voice. You should see that it does not hang where it is exposed to a direct cold draught, nor the fumes of burning lights. Especially, you should avoid hanging it in a window. Every third day, for a month if necessary, give, in addition to the usual seed diet, half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. Add five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre to the drinking water every second day for a fortnight. After this give instead for another fortnight as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice every second day. For green food give either seedy chickweed or the green seed heads of shepherd's purse as soon as you can get them.

Mrs. A. M. WALKER.—Replied to by post.

PULLS HIS FEATHERS (Rochester).—If you are quite satisfied that the cage and its surroundings are free from red mites and have also examined the bird and found it free from grey lice, now give it a staple diet of plain canary seed only, with just a pinch of summer rape placed on top of it every second day, and on the alternating days give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts niger, teazle, and millet. Give a spray of chickweed or groundsel daily, and allow the bird to bathe as freely as it likes. In the drinking water add twelve drops of fluid magnesia every second day for a fortnight. Stick a piece of cuttlefish in the wires for it to peck at, and thus help to prevent the feather picking becoming a habit.

LIE FLAT ON PERCH (Jack, Watford).—I'm afraid I cannot tell you why your young Yorkshires lie flat on the perch or bottom of cage without some details to go on. Are the feet in perfect condition, or the toes cramped or deformed. See that the perches are of a proper size and shape, and that they are securely fixed so that they do not wobble about when the birds move on them. Stop giving soaked canary seed. Give a staple of plain, dry canary seed. Each morning place on top of this a teaspoonful of dry summer rape for each four birds. Give also a heaped teaspoonful of egg food to each four birds each morning, and in the afternoon throw out any that is left, and give in its place a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts lightly cracked hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Give a few seed heads of dandelion or seedy sprays of chickweed daily, and keep a piece of cuttlefish stuck in the wires for them to peck at. Offer the bath daily now the weather is more reliable and settled. For three consecutive days you may add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water.

A QUARTETTE (V. H. Jackson).—(1) Treat the Yorkshire cock the same as advised to "R.W.J." in this issue for two or three weeks. I cannot advise you to mate him until at least two or three weeks after he has quite recovered from the moulting. Neither do I think you would be well advised to mate the Norwich hen that keeps bare of feathers with him. If mated at all she should have as mate a profuse and densely feathered cock, but as the bareness seems to be the result of a weakly condition it would be best not to mate her at all. (2) The Border hen is clearly out of breeding condition, and I doubt if you will be able to do anything with her. Give a small teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame mixed in it to the pair every second day for a month if necessary, or until she has gone to nest. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet, and a quarter part of mustard. Give a young growing stool of dandelion daily. Add 20 drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water for one day, and then give six drops of aromatic sulphuric acid and three of tincture of steel for three or four days. (3) Treat this hen the same as No. 2 for two or three weeks, or until she has laid her clutch of eggs. (4) Treat the Mules the same as advised to "Rochester" in this issue, and if not better in, say a month, send a separate query for Mr. Norman's department, to which it properly belongs.

ROAD TO SUCCESS (Outdoor Aviary).—I certainly think that the use of the egg yolk only, without any other admixture, may be the cause of your losses. One can have too much of a good thing. As you have the birds all flying together, it is useless to try to supply any particular modifications in the diet or general management, to suit young at different ages, neither is it so necessary with birds bred under these conditions. As regards the bath, you may put this in daily for an hour or so, irrespective of the age of young ones in the nests or of hens that may be sitting. In like manner you may disregard the principle of supplying only yolk of egg and no green food during the first three or four days after hatching. Give an unlimited supply of canary and summer rape seed, in separate vessels to avoid waste. Give a little mixed seed two or three times a week. When young in nests are very numerous you may put in a fair supply of cracked hemp daily. If you still prefer to use the desiccated egg yolk, add to half a pound of it a pound of crushed maizena wafer biscuits, or bread crumb dried to a light brown in an oven. The latter forms an excellent food. Slightly damp sufficient quantity of this for immediate use, sprinkle with maw seed, and put in the aviary every morning and afternoon; or fresh three times a day if time permits. Give also a liberal supply of seedy greenstuff fresh twice a day, and a little soaked rape or bread, and milk may be given according to your discretion. But if the former is given you must be careful not to allow it to remain in aviary long, as it becomes sour in an exceedingly short time in warm weather. If you follow these few general hints you should have no difficulty in rearing the young to maturity.

COLOUR FOR SHOW CAGE (A. Williams).—The proper colour of a show cage for clear buff and ticked yellow Norwich is just the same, viz., sky blue, or what is sometimes termed a bluey-green, for the inside, the colour of a Hedge sparrow's egg is a good type to follow. The outsides and the wires should be painted black.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

STARTING THE HOBBY (C.G.D.).—You cannot do better than thoroughly digest the contents of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which you say you have ordered. If you mean that you feed wholly upon egg food this is not correct. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape mixed together. In addition to this, give each pair a teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it every second day until they have laid their clutches of eggs. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats, with just a sprinkling of mustard seed. Give a few dandelion seed heads or a stool of young growing dandelion daily. Keep a piece of cuttlefish in the cages for them to peck at. Beyond this I think the elder pair of birds require only a little patience, and they will get to work before long. At the same time if you are sure that the younger couple are a true pair, I think you would do better to mix the two pairs, mating the last year's cock with the old hen, and vice versa, unless the old hen shows signs of nesting at once, in which case leave them alone.

DISTEMPER AND COLOUR (F. H. P.).—Hall's Distemper is quite suitable for doing the insides of show and stock cages, and is not injurious. I daresay the same can be said of the other brand you name, or of any well-known brand on the market, but I have no personal experience with the second brand you name. For stock cage I prefer a light shade of electric green or autumn green, though a light blue or bluish-grey gives a nice appearance, and in badly lighted rooms white may be the most suitable colour in order to make the most of what light is available. For show cages sky blue is the most useful colour, but for gold Lizards asure blue is best, and for silver Lizards a moss green. By the way, a good enamel, with little gloss, is much better than distemper for show cages, on account of its extra wearing qualities.

DROPPING FEATHERS (R. W. J.).—Certainly it will be wise to stop the feathers falling, as this is not a proper moult. See that the bird is not exposed to direct draughts nor to extremes of heat and cold. In addition to its staple seed diet give a small teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight. On the alternate days give a morsel of banana and a young growing stool of dandelion. In the drinking water dissolve a crystal of sulphate of iron the size of a split pea every second day, and on the alternating days give instead six drops of dilute sulphuric acid and four of tincture of gentian, until the feathers cease dropping. Allow the bird to bathe freely every day if it desires to do so.

YOUNG DYING (Outdoor). — Sorry, but without more details as to the circumstances attending the deaths, I cannot tell just why your young birds should all have died. I expect the hens did not feed them, and if that is so, it would have been useful to know whether the cocks were left with them whilst the hens were sitting. Your dietary does not seem to be at all suitable, and this may be indirectly the cause of the trouble. As it is not possible to go into all details in this column I cannot advise you better than to get a copy of our handbook, "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager will send you for 7d., post free, and follow the directions therein implicitly. Meantime give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape only, and mixed seed and egg-food only when they are preparing to nest or have young to feed at this season. Drop all linseed out of the dietary, and do not give these birds dandelion as green food. If the cocks were left with the hens last time remove them next as soon as the hens commence to sit, and leave the hens to hatch out and rear the young by themselves. You might also see reply to "Roby, 146," in this issue.

HEN LOST VOICE (E. A., Bristol).—See reply to "G. Hayden" in this issue, which will apply equally well to your case, and you can follow advice given therein entirely. If not successful in two or three weeks write again, and I will advise you further.

BROKEN EGGS, ETC. (W. H. S.).—(1) I cannot say why the hen dropped her eggs from the perch instead of laying them in the nest. It is an idiosyncrasy which even our wild birds are not wholly free from. But in the case of this hen, it might have well been due to an abnormal condition of the oviduct which eventually resulted in an attack of anal prolapse, which is what the bird suffered from after laying the third egg. The condition is due to a variety of causes—general weakness, efforts to expel an obnormally large egg, or an egg without shell. You might have relieved the condition, but it is not easily curable, and if a bird is not of any exceptional value it is better to mercifully end its existence. (2) With ordinary attention to cleanliness you could keep from 20 to 25 birds the size of a Norwich Canary in this aviary, therefore a dozen will not be too many. By the way, you should have said whether you refer to British or Foreign birds in this query. If you repeat the query, giving this information, the proper expert will gladly tell you what birds you can mix together in order to avoid quarrelling.

HOLE IN NECK (J. Marsden).—I am not clear whether the bird has had an abscess removed from its neck, or whether the skin merely presents that appearance. If the latter it may simply be due to a wasting of the tissues causing the bird to be exceedingly thin. Try the following treatment for two or three weeks, and note result. If bird is not considerably better, please write again, and give full details as to the appearance of the skin. Also say if an abscess has really been removed from that part. First examine the feet to see if any deformity, or overgrown claws, is the cause of the bird not perching, and look also into the condition of the eyes, and see that the perches are of a proper size and shape, well-fitting, and made of a nice soft wood. In addition to the usual seed diet give a morsel of bread and milk with three drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with maw seed, every second day, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Give a little green food daily. In the drinking water add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and six drops of syrup of rhubarb, every second day for a week, and after this give instead six drops each of tincture of gentian and aromatic sulphuric acid, every second day for a fortnight. Offer the bath on fine days.

A QUESTION OF FITNESS (H.R.).—Many thanks for your letter and kind remarks. Am very glad to know the advice given was so helpful. As regards the noise the bird still makes, it may take some little time for it to quite disappear. If it quite throws off this trouble and remains healthy and active, there is no reason why he should not be quite fit for breeding next season. Only too pleased to be of assistance any time.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BREEDING BULLFINCH-CANARY HYBRIDS (Redmond O'Hanlan).—The chances are very much against your eggs being fertile, as you are mating the wrong way to produce this cross. The cock Bullfinch is a notoriously bad breeder when in confinement, consequently the hen only is used by hybrid breeders. Should any of your eggs be fertile, you must supply the hen with egg food, made with hard-boiled eggs, stale sponge cake, and a little best insectile food as used for Warblers. She should also have plenty of seeding grass and other wild food. I shall be glad to hear if you are successful in hatching young, but I am somewhat doubtful.

FITTING UP INDOOR AVIARY (H. T. H.).—Before going too far with your aviary, it would pay you to get our book on the subject, as there are many little items dealt with in it that it is impossible to give you in these limited replies. Perches should be plentiful, and placed mostly at the ends of the aviary, so as to give the birds plenty of exercise in flying from one to the other; they should be of various thicknesses. Branches of trees are particularly suitable, and assist in giving the place a rustic appearance. Self-filling seed boxes are mostly used, and these should be placed so as to be quite out of reach of mice. If you can manage it, put the water vessels outside as they are not so liable to become contaminated with the birds' droppings, and they are much more easily attended to. Nesting boxes should be plentiful, and mostly placed in quiet corners, and see that a suitable perch is fixed near them.

BREEDING LINNET-CANARY MULES (W. H. Bird).—As you are quite a novice in Mule rearing, I would advise you to get our book on "The Secrets of Hybrid Breeding," 1s. 2d. post free. (1) The eggs take fourteen days to incubate. (2) It is almost impossible to say how much pepper it takes to colour feed a single bird, because some birds require more than others, and as a rule a fancier mixes his food for quite a number at once, but, speaking generally, a 1lb. tin would colour feed about a dozen birds. (2) All young birds moult in the autumn, the early hatched ones having a longer period between their leaving the nest and the moult than the later ones. Young birds usually commence to cast their nest feathers when from eight to ten weeks old. Much depends upon the health and constitution of the bird as to the duration of the moult. A strong, healthy, robust bird gets over it much more quickly than a delicate specimen. As a rule, it is finished before cold weather sets in, excepting in the case of very late hatched birds.

TREATING A BULLFINCH (A.M.).—(1) The hen Skylark certainly warbles a little, but it is nothing compared to the glorious melody of the cock bird. (2) I am glad to hear you have a really good Bullfinch, but as to treatment I think you would do well to get our Nutshell No. 11, which deals with this bird, and gives you all the information you require in much more detail than I can in these short answers. Until you get it, feed him on canary, teazle, and rape, with plenty of seeding wild food, such as chickweed, shepherd's purse, groundsel, seeding grass, etc., and let him bathe frequently. If after you have read the booklet there should be any little point you are not quite clear about, I shall be pleased to assist you.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

GOLDFINCH AND CANARY NOT NESTING (C.H.).—You cannot do better than continue your method of feeding, added to it a spoonful of soaked seeds three times a week. Many Goldfinches do not breed until late in the season, and for this reason most fanciers take a brood of Canaries from the hen before mating her with the Goldie. (2) Dandelion heads are without doubt one of the best foods we have at this time of the

year for Finches. These would not be the cause of the death of your birds unless you gave them to them very early in the morning. For several mornings now we have had sharp frosts, and any food gathered before the sun has dispersed frost is dangerous to birds.

CHAFFINCHES UNDER CANARIES (J.W.B.).—These are about the most difficult of the Finches to rear under Canaries, but it has been successfully accomplished, and there is no reason why you should not succeed if you happen to have a good feeding hen. Procure a pound of the best insectile food as used for Nightingales, etc., and while the hen is sitting give her just a pinch of this, made crumbly moist, so that she gets quite used to it, as a soft food. When the young hatch make a mixture of hard-boiled egg, stale sponge cake, and insectile food, and slightly damp it with fresh new milk or diluted condensed. After the first three or four days hunt round your garden for colonies of green fly, scrape these off, or break the twig off upon which they are, and hand-feed the young ones with them two or three times a day, giving small caterpillars later in addition. When you find a twig nicely loaded with green fly stick it between the front bars of the cage and see if the Canary will take them. I once had a couple of hens that would feed the young ones with them whenever offered, and if yours will do so it saves disturbing the hen and brood.

PAINTING SHOW CAGES (A. Williams).—The colour to paiut the interior of your cage to exhibit the cock Goldie, cock Bullie, and Goldfinch-Bullfinch hybrid would be a rather bright middle green. A good guide for the tone is a fresh laurel leaf, not the ones at the end of the branch, but about three or four leaves down. Copy this as near as you can, being careful not to make it too yellow in tone. For the other two mules a light blue-grey is admirable, making it a shade darker for the Light Goldfinch, so as to form a contrast in tone between bird and background. The way to test it is to place the bird in the cage, stand four or five feet away, and look at it with half-closed eyes; you will then easily detect if you have the right depth. Remember the bird is the main object to be seen, not the background.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

NOT TALKING (Oldham).—From your enclosures you certainly would have a claim against the vendor; you would only have to prove that it had not talked since you received it to succeed, unless the second guarantee, of which the later communication speaks, is of a different character. So far, so good, and you must make your own decision as to whether you retain the bird or not. A tame, healthy bird, such as you describe, is worth the sum named, but I am really surprised such a bird has not mimicked some of the calls, noises and words it has heard while with you, even supposing, for the sake of argument, that it was not a talker previous to coming to you. Even now my opinion is that it will yet prove responsive and pick up the various words and calls it hears. From the enclosures I should say the person concerned would change the bird for you if you wish it—it is a pity you cannot go over and pick out a bird which you hear talk. However, as your bird is healthy, tame, and also a young one, I am almost inclined to advise you to keep it, and talk to it whenever you feed and fuss about with it generally, also keep it in your living room, where it will have plenty of company and hear much conversation, and it should ultimately talk. It is not cruel to chain them to a stand if you procure a proper chain and swivel, but a daily fly round the room is of great benefit to a bird, even though it may be inconvenient for them to be left to go in and out of cage at will. Finally, if you are not satisfied to wait for the bird to pick up words with you, you must compel (if necessary) the vendor to exchauge it, and I certainly advise, even if it is inconvenient, your going over unannounced and picking out a bird you hear talk, and which generally meets your requirements.

DIETARY FOR GREEN PARROT (Heywood).—It is really best to keep two stock mixtures: No. 1, equal parts of giaut canary seed and white millet. No. 2, equal parts of oats, safflower, sunflower, hemp, dari and shelled nuts. You can either supply these two mixtures in separate tins, and leave the bird to help itself from either at will, or take equal parts of each mixture and mix them together for use. In addition, you can supply any kind of ripe fruit it will take, also a handful of flowering grass and weeds for it to pick over, while you can get them untainted by frost; pieces of biscuit, crusts of stale bread, and plain cake. If the bird prefers the crust or biscuit moistened, then lightly moisten it with chemical food and water. Clear water must be its drink, and any time you notice any signs of constipation, put one teaspoonful of fluid magnesia into it for one day; in fact, so long as there is not undue looseness. It is a good plan to give the magnesia once a week as a corrective. Cuttle bone and grit must be continually in the cage. It is also good practice to keep a fairly thick piece of a branch in the cage for it to exercise its beak upon. The above will keep up a sufficiently varied range of dietary.

SAMPLES OF SAND (E. A. B. N.).—So far as one can judge from an ordinary examination, the sand, as cleaned and mixed by you, is suitable for use in your cages. Of course, sand gathered from a sewage polluted river or estuary should be avoided, but this is a risk one has to take, and the samples sent, unless obtained from polluted ground, are very suitable for your purpose.

BUDGERIGAR WHEEZING (Miss Leake).—I am afraid the trouble has almost become chronic, and that in every sudden change from warm to cool it will become apparent. It would be better to separate the pair for about fourteen days, and better still, to keep them in separate rooms out of hearing of each other. Keep the ailing bird in a warmish room, yet where it can get light and air without draught. Every third day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water; and on the intervening days put half-a teaspoonful of the following mixture in the water: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine, in equal parts. Supply the usual dietary and a handful of seeding and flowering grass daily. Then if the trouble is relieved, you could put them together again (i.e., after the fourteen days), and put into their drinking water, every other day, half-a teaspoonful syrup of phosphates, and one teaspoonful of the fluid magnesia in the water once a week, continuing same for a month at least. If the bird is weak and thin, it would be well to give it several drops of cod liver oil emulsion direct to the beak daily, till it is in condition again.

BUDGERICARS NOT NESTING (Ditton).—You do not say how long they have been in their present quarters; it may be they have not as yet settled down, or they are not yet in breeding condition. When in breeding condition the cere, round the nostrils, is bright blue in the male, and varies from cream colour to ruddy brown in the female. You have space to accommodate about 30 Budgerigars in your aviary, and it would be well to add two more pairs, but procure each of these pairs from a different source, and do not get either from the same source as you got the first two pairs. The aviary arrangements promise well, and the open part, unless there is a draught, need only be covered during exceptionally severe weather. Of course, if the open part occasions a draught, it will be bad for the birds at all seasons of the year, but unless there are open windows or gaps in the front part of the shed, which occasion a through current from the back portion to the front, there should not be any trouble from this cause. Give them a liberal supply of green food, including plenty of seeding and flowering grass. The nesting season for them in captivity extends from March to October,, and often is even longer, so there is plenty of time for you. But get your extra pairs at once, and do uot accept any save those of large size, perfect feather and silken plumage (do not be persuaded to have any which are in poor feather, or said to he in moult, even at a gift), and are clear and alert in every respect.

BREEDING ROSELLAS (J. M., jun.).—Providing the eggs prove fertile, any young hatched out should be duly reared. The seed mixture you are giving will suffice in that respect, supply green food fresh twice daily, a little fruit, banana, and sweet apple, if they will eat it, and keep a saucer of broken biscuits in the aviary. It would perhaps be well to supply oats separately under your conditions and keep up a continuous supply. While young are being fed to ensure food to their liking, the biscuit could be lightly watered with a fine rose watercan, not to make it soppy, merely to slightly moisten it. You might also supply a little sunflower seed if you can obtain same in your locality.

WHAT PARROT, VALUE, ETC.? (I. R. F.).—I can now give you a definite reply. It is, as I suggested in my first reply, an Alexandrine Parrakeet, a hen bird I should say. Values are very variable, but as it is a talented bird, it should have a minimum value of 50s., and a maximum of 80s. A seed mixture of canary, white millet, oats, wheat, dari, hemp, and sunflower seeds will about meet its requirements; if you take 2 parts of each of the first three kinds, and one part each of others, and well mix together; then mix a pint of shelled monkey nuts to each gallon of mixture. Also supply pieces of biscuit, plain cake, stale crusts, ripe fruit, and a little green food. Grit (not sand), water and cuttlebone should always be in the cage, also a thick piece of a branch for it to exercise its mandibles upon. It will pick up other words from the conversation it hears going on around it, also special phrases by the constant repetition method.

WHAT PARROTS? (Novice A. S.).—Your birds are Roseate Cockatoos, and though many individuals scarcely talk at all, some make really talented birds, and yours being quite young, they should develop into birds of the latter category. You cannot sex them till they become adult—the colour of their irises will vary, and the beak of the female will be a little short and stouter, and the upper mandible with a shorter terminal hook, than that of the male. A seed mixture of giant canary seed, white millet, oats, wheat, maize, hemp, and sunflower seeds; when mixed, add a pint of shelled monkey nuts to each gallon of the mixture. It can also have ripe fruit (any kind it will take), apple and banana are good; stale crusts, biscuit, plain cake, walnuts and occasioual Brazil nuts, green food. Grit, cuttlebone and water should be continually in the cage, also a thick piece of a branch for it to exercise its mandibles upon. It is a hardy species, but must not be subjected to draught. By the way, you must not change the diet they have been accustomed to too suddenly; such changes should be gradual.

BUDGERIGARS IN AVIARY CAGE (Espliance).—You should not get any more, as your cage is fully stocked; will be overcrowded while young are being reared once nesting begins. Keep the cage where there will not be a current of air through it—such currents usually exist between door and window, and fireplace and window—at the same time the birds must have light and air. Tufts of flowering and seeding grass are the best green food you can give them, and if you can get the tufts with the roots on, so that the grass will stand up on its roots, they will take to it the sooner. Grass seeds (half-ripe and ripe) are their natural food, and in Australia they only breed when it is available. So long as they are not subjected to draught they are absolutely hardy, and do not need coddling, but the muslin fastened over the back would ensure them more privacy for nesting purposes. They will settle down ultimately; you will have to exercise patience, and let them take their own time. Do not take out either of the husks, leave all three in; they do not use any nesting material.

COLD AND CONSTIPATION (E. E. C.).—I am pleased to hear of so great an improvement. As regards the stopped nostril there are two courses open to you (1) to spray it daily with the glycothymoline solution, and leave time and nature to do the rest; or (2) to let a vet. see and remove the obstruction for you. You have done quite right in ceasing to give the sop. Keep it strictly out of draught, yet where it will get light and air, and in a fairly warm room. I should continue the treatment for a little longer, of course, omitting the sop. You must keep a close watch against constipation, and at the least sign of the voiding becoming still and hard, give a dose, or doses, of fluid magnesia to correct same. Seed mixture: one pint each giaut canary, white millet, hemp, oats, and shelled monkey nuts; half a pint each of wheat, dari, safflower and sunflower seeds—well mix, and keep a supply in the cage. So long as obtainable, give fresh fruit, apple and banana are very wholesome, most Parrots prefer the former, and it could have a fair sized piece daily. You can give it green peas and lettuce; cut away the fleshy centre rib from the lettuce before supplying to the bird; also give it garden weeds and flowering and seeding grass to pick over . You must not forget to keep up a constant supply of grit and cuttlebone, and also a thick piece of a branch of a tree for it to exercise its mandibles upon. During the warm weather give it a light spraying daily, using tepid water and a little quassia solution—when the air is chilly, omit the spraying. During the cold months, once or twice a week, choosing a genial day, is often enough to spray it.

GREENHOUSE TO AVIARY (Ishmael).—The first step is, cover the whole of the glass with wire netting on the inside. Then you must cover the roof glass with felt on the outside for the purpose of keeping it cool in summer, and as warm as possible in winter. A good large sash in the front, or the whole of one end, should be made to open outwardly, to be left open during the summer months, but closed at night during the winter; it can be open during genial weather in winter in the day time. You will require to take out the staging and to line the back with twiggy branches. You had better get two pairs of Budgerigars for a beginning, a cock Red-crested Cardinal (for variety), and a pair of White Java Sparrows. Do not put in more at first, as once they begin to breed your stock of Budgerigars will soon increase. By the way, procure each pair from a different source, then your young birds can be left to interbreed without fear of deterioration. If you care to send me a rough plan of the greenhouse showing position of window and door, together with a stamped addressed envelope per the Editor, I will send you a rough diagram showing how it should be fitted up.

BUDGERIGARS NOT BREEDING (Little Jap).—A single pair of Budgerigars will ultimately breed in a cage, but take longer to settle down to nesting than two or three pairs would in a larger cage or flight. Again, if the temperature of the conservatory is very variable, owing to the effect of the sun's rays, etc., this would be likely to set up irregular moults, and throw them back in other ways. Place the cage in the coolest, airiest and lightest part of the conservatory, but, though absolutely hardy, they must not be in a draught. When the cere of the hen is ruddy brown, it indicates breeding condition, and the cere going bluish indicates that it has gone out of condition for the time being. See other replies on Budgerigars in this issue. You will have to exercise your patience; the breeding season in captivity extends to October and even later.

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Attercliffe C.B.S.—June 11, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.30. Conclusion of N.F. Show business and other important bus.—E. Johnson.

Abersychan C.B.S.—June 5, Queen's Hotel, 7. Re N.F. Show, advert. of same, and other bus.—W. T. Couch.

Ayr C.B.C.—June 8, Wallace Town Hall, 8. Sec.'s report; appointing new sec., etc.—J. Murray.

Annfield Plain C.B.S.—June 5, Mr. Hanagan's, 6.30. Judge for Y.B. Show July 3.—W. Thompson.

Barnsley C.B.S.—June 5, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Important.—E. Toulson.

Birmingham South O.S.—Juue 9, Marlboro' Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for Y.B. Shows; specials, etc.—J. Sheppard.

Abertillery C.B.S.—June 10, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. Last meeting before F.F. show.—H. H. Mortimer .

Bowling B.F.A.—June 7, Napoleon Hotel, 7.30. Important.—J. Nicholl.

Bolton Roller C.S.—June 8, Joiners' Arms, 8. General Club and Show business.—J. Kilshaw.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—June 5, Victoria Hotel, 7.30. Lecture on colour-feeding by Mr. H. J. Chittenden.—H. Bryant.

Choppington, Scotland Gate C.B.S.—June 5, Social Club, 7. Final arrangements for N.F. Show; new members invited.—H. Seely.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—June 9, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 8. Schedule for F.F. Show; accounts; lecture on colour-feeding by Mr. J. S. Fairman.—W. D. Fryett.

Cambois C.B.S.—June 9, Institute Cambois, 7.30. Special meeting; business very important. Now fanciers, it is left to you whether we carry on our show or not. Intending members please take note.—G. Hutchinson.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—June 7, Bennet's Tea Rooms, 8.—J. Southworth.

Denton C.B.S.—June 8, Silver Springs, 8. Important business; F.F. Show, etc.—A. Wright.

Derwent Valley C.B.S.—June 5, Co-op. Hall, 7.—Jameson and Johnson.

Eccleshill C.B.S.—June 5, Fountain Inn, 6.30. Arranging stewards for F.F. Shows, and very important business.—S. Wilcock.

Edmonton F.A.—June 10, Charity Schools, Church St., 8.30. Important.—W. H. Jackson.

East Stanley Club.—Juue 6, Club Room, 7.30. To consider schedule.—J. Armitage.

Farnworth C.B.S.—June 9, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Final arrangement for F.F. show, etc.—W. Dawson.

Great Horton O.S.—June 5, Station Hotel, 3. F.F. Show; judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill.—A. W. Hartley.

Hanley C.B.S.—June 9, 28, Mayer St., 8. N.F. Shows and colour food, also new members.—C. Bickett.

Holytown New Stevenston. June 10, Masonic Hall, 7.30.—J. Lamb.

Houghton le Spring C.B.S.—June 5, Queen's Head Inn 7.—R. H. Dixon.

Halifax O.S.—June 5, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Meeting and lecture by Mr. T. Tidswell on Colour Feeding, also to decide about colour food and Specialist Clubs' patronage for open show.—H. Clegg.

Hull C.B.S.—June 7, Oddfellows' Hall, 7.30. N.F. Show; annual ramble June 26, to Newport and District.—W. Furnandiz.

Islington F.A.—June 7, School Rooms, Warlters Road, Holloway, 8.30. Report of Interclub Show and poultry lecture by Mr. C. W. Mead. Fanciers invited.—W. A. Bibb.

Keighley C.B.S.—June 8, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Stewards for show.—C. W. Town.

Liverpool B.B.A.—June 10, Oldham Hall, 8. N.F. Night Show; judges, Messrs. J. McDermott and J. Lloyd; local fanciers and friends cordially invited.—T. R. Jones.

Laisterdyke, Bowling, and Tong.—June 5, Napoleon Hotel, 3. F.F. Show; judge, Mr. J. Bailey, Allerton. Entries Friday, 7 to 9, or Sat. morning post.—J. E. Hudson.

Larkhall C.B.A.—June 12, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7. Fix up Y.B. Show, and discuss ramble; new members invited.—T. J. McGregor.

Leeds Roller C.C.—June 5, Lockhart's, 7.30. Ordinary bus.—H. Best.

Leeds C.B.S.—June 5, Lockhart's, Briggate, next door to Hope Bros. ,7.30. Table Show of N.F. and Brit.; judge, Mr. W. Hall; this is the first show to count for table show specials; for classification, etc., see syllabus.—E. Norton.

Lancaster C.B.S.—June 5, Market Hall Coffee Tavern, 7.30. Final arrangements for N.F. show and general business.—H. Hoyle.

London C.B.A.—June 8, "El Vino," Piccadilly Place, 7.30. Egg food demonstration; lecture by Mr. Allen Silver on the feeding of foreign and insectivorous birds.—A. Wallington.

London and Counties A.C.B.—June 5, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse St. F.F. Show, birds staged 7.30; four members judging; fanciers and friends welcomed.—W. Gilbert.

Leyton C.B.A.—June 5, New Headquarters, Parish Hall, Church Road. F.F. Show; judge, Mr. J. Robson; open to public at 5.—A. W. Farmer.

Lochgelly C.B.S.—June 7. Ramble to Blairadam; leave Cross 9 a.m.—R. Muir.

Leigh C.B.S.—June 9, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Singing contest, any kind of birds, 3d. entry. Judge, Mr. H. Taylor.—R. Charleson.

Loanhead C.B.S.—June 12, Masons' Arms, 7.30. Replies from judges and other business.—W. B. Smart.

Manchester Fanciers' C.S.C.—June 9, 32, Victoria Street, City, 8.30. Important.—R. J. Metcalfe.

Middleton C.B.S.—June 7, Old Boar's Head, 8. Young bird show business.—J. Hulton.

Manningham C.B.A.—June 5, Mowbray Arms, 8. Drawing up of schedules for open Show and other business.—F. Darwent.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—June 7, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Paper, "Is the Norwich Plainhead progressing?" by Mr. T. Johnson, Southport, and classification of N.F. Show.—F. Wilkinson.

Newcastle-on-Tyne, East End C.B.S.—Having been unable to secure a suitable room for our N.F. Show we have been compelled to abandon same. June and July meetings also cancelled. Next meeting Aug. 25. Members who have not yet paid their subs. please forward same at earliest convenience.—J. W. Coutts.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—June 8, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. Open discussion on "White Rose." See correspondence columns: J. W. Saywell v. "Hyson Green."—J. G. Royce.

Openshaw and Gorton C.B.S.—June 16, Clubroom, Alhambra Buildings, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Entries F.F. show and gen. bus. Ramble, Marple and district, June 6. Meet Gorton station, 2.15 prompt.—A. W. Newton.

Oldham C.B.S.—June 8, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Business for N.F. Show.—G. Mills.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—June 9, Porth Hotel, 5. Show business and other matters of importance.—J. S. Jones.

Perth City and County C.B.S.—Juue 7, Laidlaws Rooms, Leonard St., 8. Annual club show; business important.—J. L. Smith.

Pudsey and Stanningley C.B.S.—June 7, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 7.30. Arrangements for F.F. Show on June 12.—R. Kell.

Pelton Fell C.B.S.—June 5, Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell. A.S. business. Election of judge for shows, and other business.—J. Robinson.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—June 10. Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road, 8. Questions and answers on young birds and final arangements for F.F. Show.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—June 7, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for Y.B. Show.—J. Pitchford.

Spen Valley C.B.S.—June 7, Commercial Hotel, 7.30. N.F. Show; delegates report, colour feed, etc.—S. B. Grayshon.

Sittingbourne C.B.S.—June 7, Headquarters, 8. Classification N.F.S. and general bus.—T. Monday.

South Shields.—June 5, Cyprus, 7.—W. L. Smith.

South-East London F. and F.A.—June 7, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. General meeting, schedule ready for Young Stock Show; fanciers invited; subs, 2s. 6d. now due.—R. Jackson.

South Moor Social Club.—June 6, Headquarters. Confirm schedule and other important business.—Geo. Lane.

Swansea C.B.S.—June 12, Headquarters, 7.30. In regard to F.F. Show, a hearty welcome to all in the Fancy.—Rees and Hitchings.

Springburn, Possil Park C.B.C.—June 9, Reid Hall, 8.—J. Waugh.

South Moor C.B.S.—June 5, Oxley's Hotel, 6. Table Show, Nor., Yorks., Border, all 1915; Redpoll, Siskin or Twite, Linnet, F. or H.M., A.O. Brit., silver medal most points.—G. F. Bates.

Sheffield O.S.—June 6, Leam Park Hotel, Hillsborough, 2.30. Ramble, tea at Norfolk Arms, Grenoside. All members and friends invited. E. C. Job.

South London Col. and F.A.—June 10. Headquarters, 7.30. General meeting and show.—Geo. Burton.

Tong C.B.S.—June 8, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.30.—W. Walker.

Wibsey C.B.S.—June 5, Horse and Groom, 7. Monthly business; arrangements for F.F. Show.—W. Chapman.

Windhill C.B.S.—June 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members F.F. Show; judge, Mr. Dan Sutcliffe, Wibsey; entries Friday 6.30 to 9 p.m. Subs. due for half year.—J. Taylor.

Walkley C.B.S.—June 10, Westmorland St., Mission Hall, 8. Table Show young birds, 3 Nov. Yorks., 3 Nov. Nor; judges, Yorks, T. Ridal; Nor., J. Woolhouse.—C. Tomlinson.

Wigan C.B.S.—June 5, Legs of Man Hotel, 7. Arranging schedule for Young Show, etc.; important.—E. Pall.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—June 7, Headquarters, 6, The Broadway, 8. Presentation to Mr. W. H. Stoakley on retiring from the chair; judging competition, Bord., Nor., and Yorks. bred 1915 (three classes). Prizes if not less than six entries each. Members please bring birds. Fanciers and friends welcome.—G. Griffiths.

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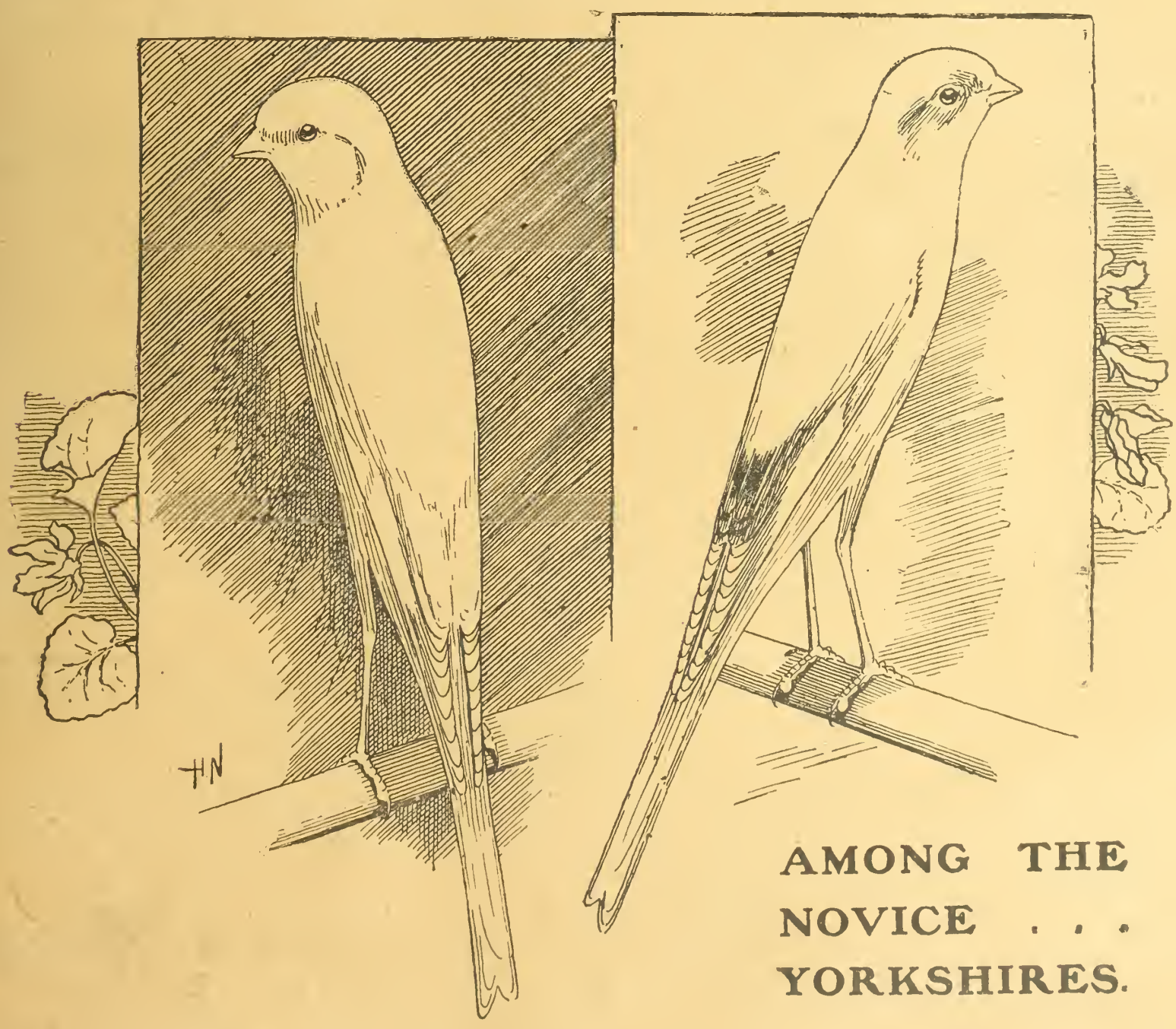

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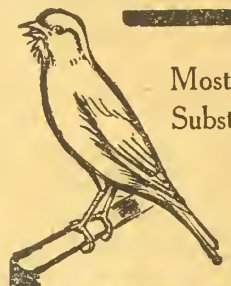

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Twitterings.

I have taken over the duties of sec. to Darlington and Dis. C.B.S., and all communications should be addressed to me, writes Mr. F. Stothard, 81, Beaconsfield Street, Darlington.

Societies who require the patronage of the Northern Crested Club kindly send in their applications to me, writes Geo. Dobson, hon. sec., 103, James Street, Blaydon-on-Tyne.

The Darlington C.B.S. has fixed the date of its next open show for Nov. 27. We should be glad, writes Mr. F. Stothard, sec., if other societies will take note, to avoid clashing as far as possible, in their own interest as well as ours.

We shall be very pleased to hear of anyone wishing to take part in any of our rambles, which we hope to hold every third week, writes Mr. J. Alderslade, sec., Eastleigh C.B.S., 64, Desborough Road, Eastleigh. (See Club Report).

Kindly inform members of the Northern Yorkshire C.C., writes Mr. R. Tindale, the hon. sec., that Mr. Crawhall has a stock of Ramsden's colour food at same price as in previous years. Members are advised that it will not be possible to obtain more at the old price.

The Cage Birds watch I bought from you several months ago is a splendid timekeeper. I would recommend all who want a cheap and reliable watch to go in for one; Mr. Hostler, of Halstead, tells me he is perfectly satisfied, and thanks me for my recommendation. A. Draper, Halstead.

Societies desirous of obtaining the patronage of the Northern Border Fancy C.C. are invited to send in their applications with classification and judges as soon as possible, writes Mr. Chas. Farrer, hon. sec., 222, Jefferson Street, Newcastle. The patronage is open to all societies in the five Northern Counties. Lovers of the "wee gem" inside radius are invited to become members; subs., 2s. 6d.

The Guisbro' Priory C.B.S. is having its first young stock show on June 12, judge Mr. G. R. Barker, writes Mr. A. Knaggs, Sec. Fanciers and friends in district invited.

The North Liverpool C.B.S. will ramble to Simonswood on Sunday, June 13, writes Mr. E. S. Broadbent, Hon. Sec. Meet at Fazakerley car terminus at 11. Friends and local club members heartily welcomed.

The Blaenavon C.B.S. is running a young bird show on July 10, at 5, at the Crown Hotel; some very good specials have been given, writes Mr. G. T. Jones, sec.

Will Roller Club secretaries please send me dates of forthcoming contests, so that there will be no clashing? writes P. Greenall, sec. Wigan Roller Club, 2, Short Street, Pemberton, Wigan.

The London and P.O.S. is holding a table show of young birds with classes for British, Foreign, and Mules, at the Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street, E.C., on June 17, writes Mr. H. L. Huggins, hon. sec. All fanciers welcome; admission free. Open at 8.

Societies desiring the patronage of the Yorkshire C.C. should apply on or before June 19, giving date of show and name of judge, writes Mr. John Greaves, sec., 279, Hollings Road, Bradford. A meeting of the committee will be held on that date to allocate same.

In "Twitterings" of May 22, writes Mr. J. Peacock, hon. sec. Sunderland C.B.A., you stated I had moved from 6 to 20, Whitburn Terr., Sunderland, which should be 20, Whitburn Terr., Fulwell, Sunderland. I would thank you to correct this as there is such an address in Sunderland as well.

The Sheffield O.S. will held the annual Nest Feather show June 26. Mr. J. Robson judge, writes Dr. W. Craig. Through the generosity of the treasurer all exhibitors will be presented with a ticket for free tea at Cordwell Valley on Aug. 1st, when the next ramble will take place. Full particulars by personal application only from the Sec. on the show day at Foresters' Hall.

Kindly accept thanks for the splendid drawing of my winning Blackbird; there is no doubt about it, it is like life, and a credit to your artist, Mr. Norman. The bird is quite a youngster, just two years of age, so looks like having a good time yet amongst the prizes. I am sorry to say that I lost my old Palace winner at the great age of 9½ years; he died during last moult, not a bad age was it? On the frontispiece you have me hailing from Swansea; kindly state that Cardiff has been my domicile this last 30 years. H. J. Ford, Cardiff.

Watford C.B.S. has arranged for a ramble on Sunday next, June 14, to Ley Hill Common, near Chesham, Bucks; friends who would like to participate will be heartily welcomed. Train leaves Baker Street Station (Met. Rly.), 9.45, for Chalfont Road. The Watford party leave High Street Station at 9.30 for Rickmansworth to meet this train. The Common abounds in bird life, and there will be ample scope for those who are experts in locating nests of such as the Stonechat, Meadow Pipit, Whitethroat and Bullfinch, these species being greatly in evidence in the neighbourhood.

Owing to delays on rail, customers should place their orders for Ramsden's Pure Peppers at once—present stock cannot be replaced except at heavy increase in price. I believe I am the only importer who has been able to land a stock of this season's tasteless pepper. A search of the Customs entry failed to trace any other importation. Any bonafide trader can supply Ramsden's Pure Peppers provided he is satisfied with a reasonable commission, and is prepared to pay cash with order during the continuance of the war.—J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London.

Come Along: Hybrid Breeders.

Thanks for your very kind letter received last week congratulating me on my success in rearing the Song Thrush Blackbird Hybrids, writes Mr. T. H. Anderson, Darvel. I will be pleased to receive the medal, and will prize it as coming from such an authority as the Editor of Cage Birds. I appreciate your kind offer, and trust that such an offer will encourage others to try for other rare crosses among our feathered pets.

The Starling Outlawed

In a discussion by the Worcestershire Chamber of Agriculture on the desirability of erasing the Starling from the list of birds in the Wild Birds' Protection Act, the chairman said this bird did an immense amount of damage, but before any steps were taken proof to that effect was required. Ultimately a resolution to the effect that the Starling should not be included in the list of protected birds was carried.

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The June number of "British Birds," Messrs. Weatherby and Co., High Holborn, 1s. monthly, opens a new volume, No. 9. It contains an important list of alterations and additions to the "Hand-list of British Birds, 1912," which is, of course, indispensable to all possessors of that work. There is an article by Miss Haviland, "Notes on the Breeding-Habits of the Grey Phalarope," with photographs by the author, and the number contains a most interesting list by Mr. R. M. Barrington extending back to 1885, recording the occurrences of Redstarts at light stations in Ireland. From this we gather that the earliest date of arrival of the common Redstart is April 22, and its latest departure Nov. 19, while the earliest arrival of the Black Redstart is Sept. 19, and the latest departure June 15.

Southern Border F.C. Patronage

As several Secs. of Societies have written me to say that they have not yet fixed the date for their annual show, but wish for the S.B.F.C. patronage, writes Mr. Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec., 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E., it has been decided to postpone the alloting of patronage till the June meeting. I shall be pleased to receive other applications on or before June 22, more especially from societies who have had our patronage in the past. I am sure they only require this reminder to apply, as our section is always the attraction of any show, and the classes always fill.

OBITUARY.

MR. THOS. ARNOT (Hawick).

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, sec. Border Fancy C.C., that I have to inform you of the death of one of the oldest members of the B.F.C.C., Mr. Thomas Arnot, Hawick, who passed away on June 5, and was buried to-day, June 7. Mr. Arnot was a life-long fancier, his favourites being the "Wee Gems." He was a great breeder of Greens, and for a number of years was the leading man in this variety. He was associated with the Border Fancy Club from its formation, and always up to the last took a very keen interest in its welfare. As a judge he was always very popular, and gave his decisions without fear or favour. He always took a great interest in the welfare of novice members. He was of a kindly nature, and those who knew him best will miss him most. I am sure I am voicing the feelings of every member of the Club, and the Fancy generally, when I say the deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Arnot and family in their sad bereavement.

Mr. G. W. Brown, Leith, also sends a sympathetic reference to the decease of this well-known and highly-respected fancier and judge.—Editor, "C.B."

"Joe" the Kensington Gardens Magpie.

Where Joe came from nobody knows, but he suddenly appeared one bright spring day, and proceeded to make all his own a patch of the woodland some distance west of the Albert Memorial. He has been six years in the gardens, and the story of his life is one long record of infamy. In the years he has been in the gardens no fewer than six wives have been found. But Joe has assassinated the lot, and at last it is recognised that he is a misogynist. He will be provided with no more wives. At present Joe is undisputed lord of his neighbourhood. A nice gentleman in a silk hat feeds him every morning with little pieces of meat, and Joe, now that he is not bothered with fussy lady Magpies, is quite happy. He is known to have a nest of wonderful treasures somewhere, but nobody knows where it is.—"Evening Standard."

The Travels of Six Song Thrushes.

A friend of mine ringed many young Thrushes in the Fylde last year, and no fewer than six, all ringed as fledglings, have been recovered. One, found this April near Preston, may, or may not, have been a journey, but three found near Blackpool and Fleetwood in November and February had probably remained within a few miles of their home, for during the winter migratory Thrushes are abroad. A fifth bird had taken a short sea journey, for it was found in Roscommon in December; but a sixth had left our islands altogether, and was recovered in Spain in its first autumn. The conclusion is obvious; it is useless to lay down rules and make dogmatic statements about the movements of birds, at any rate of Song Thrushes. Birds have far more individuality than many ornithologists give them credit for, and one may elect to stay near home, another wander for a short distance only, whilst a third may indulge in extended travel. When I hazarded this suggestion some years ago in a little book on "Migration," critics flouted me, but critics are not always right.—F.Z.S. in the "Liverpool Daily Post and Mercury."

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

The Wagtail's Curving Flight.

The Finches and Wagtails are good fliers, and have a method of their own, not, we think, to be observed in any larger bird except the Magpie. In their longer flights they ascend the air at an easy angle, and then fall with closed wings, and so progress, rising and falling alternately. It is a pretty sight to see a Pied Wagtail, in the blue of the summer sky, rising and dipping in perfect cadence with its own faintly falling notes, and to realise the exquisite curving line of its invisible pathway through the air. Amongst the smaller birds, the Corn Bunting has, perhaps, the most indifferent wing-power. The Rook and the Crow are awkward risers, and appear to have difficulty in dealing with their legs. They never seem to have mastered the art of alighting gracefully, and usually complete their descent with an awkward jerk.—"Yorkshire Post."

Didn't "Hanker" After Crow.

A correspondent sends us another version of the Crow story published in our issue of May 29. It is taken from a letter from "Senex" to "Country Life," referring particularly to Pigeons as Food. The writer says:—"Pigeon pie suppers were at one time common, and the landladies of most village inns were willing to prepare pigeon pie suppers for their regular customers, for the sake of the ale which was certain to be called for in extra quantity, and the more strong ale used to wash the 'john-pies' down, the more easily would the 'john-pies' suit the stomach. I remember a case in which at one pigeon pie supper one of the party challenged the rest to eat a roasted Crow. It was accepted by one, and the company assembled the next night to see the Crow eaten, which it was in due course. As the last morsel was washed down, the eater said: 'Yis; Ah con ett Crow, but Aw'm danged if Ah hanker for it!' The Crow had been dosed while cooking with a very liberal dose of red pepper and Top Mill snuff. It was a joke which amused three villages for months."

FEATHERED HUNS MAKE A RAID.

Do Crows Spike Birds' Eggs?

I have rarely heard a bird so vociferous as on Thursday afternoon, says the contributor of "Nature Notes" to the "Birmingham Daily Mail" of May 29, when a Missel Thrush in a small oak tree attracted my attention while some distance away by its loud and long repeated scolding and cries of indignation. The cause of the disturbance was quickly realised when I observed a couple of Carrion Crows flying about the tree as if engaged in some sort of a concerted attack. On approaching closer I noticed there were three Crows, which is unusual, as these birds generally make their egg-stealing raids in pairs. Then I saw the nest itself in a fork of a tree, and the female making a desperate effort to defend it against overwhelming odds without even the aid of her mate. The bird fought bravely, scolding loudly all the time, but her efforts were unavailing, for while two of the Crows were menacing her from opposite sides, the third came up from behind, and I saw it fly off with an egg at the end of its beak and the other two Crows set off in pursuit.

The belief, which is firmly held by country folk, that Carrion Crows impale eggs on the point of the bill has often been discredited by ornithologists, but in the present instance I feel compelled to confirm it. I got a good view of the bird and the egg with my field-glasses, and the whole form of the egg was visible; in fact, it looked so large that if I had not seen the Crow come from the nest with it I should have thought it was too large for a Missel Thrush's. Thrushes seem to suffer from these attacks more than any other birds, both eggs and young being frequently taken. This, however, is the first time I have ever seen three Crows engaged in the act.

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THE CRESTED CANARY AND ITS BREEDING.

By G. M. DAVEY (Plymouth).

(Concluded from p. 307)

THE head should be large and broad, and the entrance wide, the feather rising suddenly from the very start of its growth, owing to its denseness at the base of the beak. This feathering should gradually expand in width as it gracefully falls over the skull to the back of the head, its density causing it to fall over the eyes at the sides, giving the bird a frowning appearance, which fanciers call lashing. This feather, falling over the sides of the head, gives a peculiarly wide appearance to the skull, finishing off with a good expanse at the back of the head. The bird should have a very short, neat beak, for this greatly adds to the beauty of the massively shaped skull.

Standard Points of the Crest Bred.

Here is the exact standard: The Crest-bred should have a body of Bullfinch type; the head should be large and round, and broad at every part; small beak, and abundance of long, broad feather, commencing at entrance of beak, continuing over the crown, and flowing well down the poll; and must be well browed. In a good bird the feather on the crown when turned over should reach to the end of the beak, or farther; the brows should give the bird a sulky appearance without any brushing (artificial aid) whatever.

The first rule to be observed in pairing birds for Crest breeding is to mate a Crest with a Crest-bred—that is, a bird bred from a Crest and a Plainhead. Pick the best Crest hen you have, and pair your best Crest-bred cock with her; by so doing you should get good results. The reason for pairing the Crest and Crest-bred is somewhat obvious, if we bear in mind that a Canary's crest is not a high spherical tuft, but a flat fimbriated arrangement of feathers on the top of the skull, which, radiating from a centre, would have their character entirely altered if any approach to a high tuft were to be produced. I have on more than one occasion seen such tufted form, and a crest without any centre is not so uncommon an occurrence as to excite surprise.

"Tuft-Crests," if I may so call them, seem to present no methodical arrangement of the feathers, and are very different in character from a radiated crest. They are more like rough mats than anything else, and the repeated pairing of two Crests would lead to this form of head-feather without any of the radiation which is so dear to the fancier's eye. Therefore we use the Crest-bred to retain radiation and droop.

Of course, this does not always follow as an immediate result; and the rule of pairing Crest to Crest-bred is at times departed from when it is found desirable to obtain excess of crest feather at the risk of sacrifice of form and radiation. The result of a first double cross greatly depends on the proper radiation and droop of the two Crests paired. Some of the best birds that have ever appeared on the show bench have been bred from two Crests, but ofttimes what is gained in feather is lost in symmetry, which has to be afterwards developed by mating Crest-breds with such Crests.

Consequences of Double Cresting.

As a result of such a mating of two Crested Canaries, besides some good Crests of approved type there will be some very objectionable forms which are not at all desirable of perpetuation. For instance, ugly partings on either side of the crest, called "splits," or "gutters," may occur, and these destroy radiation, this is by no means an uncommon defect; or a split in front, in which there is an absence of any centre, and it looks as if the crest has been parted with a comb, and this form of split is extremely difficult to breed out. The centres of some of the best crests have an inclination this way, only in a modified form, which does not interfere with the proper arrangement of the frontal crest; nevertheless, it has a tendency that way. These are called "running centres" and when pairing such birds a breeder requires to be very careful.

Again, there is the "broken" or "tucked-inside"; birds with this fault are described by most Crest breeders as having weak or short sides. Now we come to the Crest with the rough back which we very often see, and to pair such a bird with a Crest-bred which is rough or horned at the sides of the head, will further intensify the fault, while its pairing with a Crest bred having perfectly smooth feathers at the back will reduce the fault. Such pairing has also the tendency to reduce the size of the scar like patch on the back of the head of the Crest, and the smaller this is the smoother the Crest will be.

I have heard many say that the produce of two Crests will be more or less bald on the head, but I can positively say I have never had such a thing happen, nor have I seen such a specimen. I have bred birds apparently Crest-breds from two Crests, a thing easily accounted for, as the Crest has much of the Crest-bred in it, and I have seen more or less disturbance of the usual type, but never anything approaching baldness; it has always been the reverse. I therefore unhesitatingly say that to pair two Crests is a certain way to obtain a density of feather which can afterwards be regulated and brought into shape by pairing back to Crest-breds with nice, smooth feather over the head. One thing I will say, and that is if double-cresting is repeated to any extent there is a tendency to produce running ulcers at the back of the head or over the nostrils. This defect disappears from the offspring if such a bird be paired to a Crest-bred.

Why Not Colour and Markings?

What is wanted is crest, just as we must elsewhere have markings, and we must furnish this at all hazards; once obtained, it will rest with the breeder to restore and maintain a balance of other properties by the exercise of skill in his art. Owing to lack of attention by breeders the majority of our stock now are simply heavily variegated birds. When breeders succeeded in obtaining the large modern Crest they should have paid more attention to colour and markings; but even now it is not too late to mend.

Yellow blood should be used about every fourth season, double-buffing the three intermediate seasons. If yellow blood were used in this manner great benefits would ensue, without any loss in density of feather. Breeding from a buff bred from a yellow and buff, paired to a bird bred from double buffs, has most beneficial effects.

The Happy Go Lucky Method.

And now I must caution the beginner against thinking that all he has to do is to go to some show, buy a couple of first prize winners, and at once commence to breed Crests of merit equal, or anything like equal, to those he has purchased. Suitable partners must be selected, and this is where many novices come to grief; they think if they pair two first prize birds together success is bound to follow, and they are bitterly disappointed when it does not. They forget that possibly those first prize birds may not have been absolutely perfect in every point, and may both possess the same fault at one or more points. To pair birds together just because they happen to be first prize winners is only happy-go-lucky mating, for each should have a counter-balancing excellence against any fault in its partner.

Though everyone who can afford it wisely purchases the best stock he can find, my advice would be not always to buy show specimens, unless for show purposes, but rather to invest in real good stock birds; or, if you have already a stock of birds which need improvement, invest in such as show extreme development of the one point desired in your stock, for when a cultivated idea reaches its zenith it must be maintained or it will surely decline.

The Breeding of the Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrid.

Established Beyond Doubt This Time.

AS promised in my letter in CAGE BIRDS of May 29, I will now try to give an account of my experience with my birds, and especially with the breeding and rearing of the Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids.

It is now about nine years since I began keeping cage birds, and while I am by no means an authority, perhaps my experience may encourage others in the Fancy. I have been fairly successful in my attempts, though I have never done much at showing, unless at our club shows, where I have been able to secure some points at times.

First Love; Common Canaries.

My first attempt was with two pairs of common Canaries, from which I had three or four young. This was not much, yet even such a small success encouraged me, and gradually my aspirations grew. I then tried a few prize-bred Borders with fairly good results, but later Norwich Canaries claimed my attention and favour. I have to thank my friend Mr. Jas. Brown for introducing me to Norwich, which were his favourites, too, in the old days, when he did a good bit of winning in many parts of Scotland. At present I have about a dozen hens breeding, and my first young ones are just getting on the sticks.

About seven years ago I got built a good-sized garden aviary, of which I will try and send you a photograph later. In this I have gradually got together a nice collection of Britishers, with a few hardy foreigners to give colour and variety. Some people say they will not do together, but I have never had any trouble with them so far.

And Very Nice, Too.

My aviary is composed of three sections. The first is quite enclosed, and in it my Norwich Canaries are kept in box cages which can be made into long flight cages by drawing the movable partitions. This part is 11ft. by 9ft. The second section is enclosed on three sides and roof, with a net wire front, and measures 11ft. by 5ft. At one end of this there is a large flight where I can keep Hybrid pairs for breeding, and I find they do well. This flight will be about 5ft. by 4ft., by 5ft. high. The third section is quite open, except a little bit of roof covering about 5ft. or so, and this open flight, in which I have a lot of dead trees and shrubs (because the birds won't let live ones grow), is 11ft. by 15ft.

It is in the latter section that I keep most of my Britishers, including the Thrush and Blackbird which have bred and reared the Hybrids this year. In this there is a Thrush that has moulted seven times, and he is as fresh to-day, and singing, as a young one. Last summer I got another young Thrush which I took to be a hen and showed as such at our club shows. However, as the season advanced and the spring weather came on this young bird began to sing. This was quite a disappointment to me, for I thought I had got a mate for the old one, and expected to breed some young from them; I had no thought that there were better than young Song Thrushes to come.

A Glad Surprise.

About the middle of April the Blackbird hen, which has been in the aviary for three years, began to build her nest in her usual way, laid three eggs and began to sit. Not expecting anything but the usual empty eggs, I merely took note of the date on my register, and paid little more attention, and so you may understand my surprise and pleasure to find two newly-hatched chicks in the nest on the morning of the fourteenth day after. I soon procured a lot of small earthworms which I put in a pan with some soil in it, and was rewarded by seeing the mother bird get down almost at once and begin feeding the young.

This was on May 3, and from then until now, June 1, it has been a constant hunt for earthworms and slugs to keep these hungry youngsters going. On May 16 they left the nest, and the same day the Blackbird began making up the nest again. In two days she had it plastered and lined, and laid her first egg again on the 20th.

At It Again.

This time she has laid four eggs, and if fertile they should hatch out by the end of this week I think. On May 20 the young were showing an attempt to pick at food, and on the 22nd could kill and swallow small earthworms. The hen still kept feeding them, and even up till May 31 I saw her feeding. She has been a very busy bird.

Regarding feeding the young, the mother bird has done that entirely herself. We always kept a supply of worms and slugs in the pan, and it was no easy task during such dry weather; then we had soft bread always handy, and, lastly, oatmeal made into a paste with water, sometimes mixing a little finely chopped raw meat with it. This was all she got except whatever she could pick up in the aviary herself. I noticed she was very fond of the oatmeal paste to feed them with after they were on a bit.

I trust this may encourage others to try for this or other rare crosses, for we never know when success may come our way.

I find Hybrid breeding very interesting, and, though attended by many disappointments, I have found it very encouraging. In the last three years I have been able to breed the following: two Linnet Bullies, two Redpoll Goldfinches, two Linnet Greenies, and one Redpoll Greenie, all of which except the Redpoll Goldies, were successfully reared.

In closing I should like to thank the Editor of CAGE BIRDS for his kind letters of encouragement, and wish CAGE BIRDS the success it so well deserves.

LIGHT MULING CANARIES.

A Paper read by Mr. J. Maddison at the Newcastle C.B.S. Meeting, June 3rd.

HAVING been asked to say something to you on the subject of Mule or Hybrid breeding, I propose to give my views, and a bit of my experience, on the breeding of Canaries for the purpose of Light Mule-breeding, which I consider is the most interesting, because it is the most puzzling, branch of the whole Cage Bird Fancy. Puzzling, because some of the best Light Mules ever staged have been bred from hen Canaries which had not been sib-bred. Puzzling, because no one has yet been able satisfactorily to explain what it is that causes those hens to breed Light Mules, whilst some hen Canaries which have been bred from birds closely sib-bred for many generations will breed nothing but dark Mules. This latter fact, to my mind, goes to prove that sib-breeding is useless unless the birds you use will breed a fairly light Mule; you would then have some foundation to build upon.

The Quickest Way.

If any of you wish to go in for Light Mule breeding, your quickest way would be to get a hen Canary that has bred a light Mule. Having secured such a hen, the next thing required is a suitable mate for her. Although hen Canaries from recognised light Muling strains are seldom offered for sale, cocks from those strains can usually be bought at a reasonable price, and it is one of those cocks that is wanted for pairing to the hen that has bred the light Mule.

The young hens from this pair should be paired to Finches the following year; any that breed light Mules should be paired to their father, and also pair one of the young cocks to its mother. After that, it is simply a matter of selection, in using the biggest cocks and only breeding from those hens that breed light Mules. The hens which breed nothing but dark Mules should not be used for Canary breeding, or you will be perpetuating a fault which you should do your utmost to breed out; it is only by such weeding out that you can expect to improve your stock. I would even go further, and say when you have sufficient material to select from breed Canaries only from the hens that breed the lightest Mules. The tendency of the Mules to come lighter ought to be encouraged if you want to gain ground.

Where Sib-Breeding Helps.

It is at this point that the benefit of sib-breeding comes in. Such a process helps to fix the tendency to breed light Mules. To inbreed with birds that breed only dark Mules would only help to fix the tendency to breed dark Mules.

Of course it is not absolutely necessary to have a hen that will breed a light Mule to begin with. If unable to get such a hen, the next best thing is to get hens which you know have been clear bred for a few generations, and pair them to a cock bred from a reliable light Muling strain. Keep all the young hens, and pair them to Finches the following season. Some of them are almost sure to breed light Mules, and any that do so ought to be paired to their father, and the young hens tested with Finches the following season; those that breed the lightest Mules should be paired to their father; you then get young which are practically the same blood as their father. Of course where there is material to choose from, nothing but the biggest and most vigorous birds should be used for inbreeding. Small weedy hens, and hens that fail to breed light Mules, should not be used for Canary breeding so long as you have anything better for the purpose.

The Value of the Cock Bird.

From the foregoing you may see that I have great faith in the cock Canary for establishing a light Muling strain, and I have good reasons for doing so, because I have known of more than one instance where a sib-bred cock Canary has been the means of building up a good stock of light Mules.

I will tell you of one such instance which happened in this city some fifteen or more years ago. An old acquaintance of mine was very keen on breeding Mules; he was very successful in breeding numbers of Mules but could not breed a light feather. Being in the habit of taking his Mules to the bird market to sell, he one day got into conversation with a fancier who had bred several good light Mules and who, after listening to the old man's lament about not being able to breed anything but dark Mules, very generously promised that when the next breeding season came round he would fix him up with a cock Canary to pair with his hens. He kept his promise, and four hens were bred from the borrowed cock and a hen that had repeatedly bred nothing but dark Mules.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

Temporary Retirement of a Well-known Judge.

Sir,—It is with great regret that I have to ask you to announce through your valuable columns that owing to pressure of work I am compelled to resign all my judging engagements for the forthcoming season. I am taking over an important position on urgent Admiralty work, and I have been asked to give the whole of my time to seeing that this work is carried out. I have already been engaged to judge nine or ten shows next season, and I am writing to the respective secretaries asking them to accept my resignation and appoint another judge in my place. I might add that I have been rather unfortunate with my stock so far this season, not having the time to look after them properly, but I still hope to be able to put down a good young bird or two next season, as I have no intention of giving up my hobby, which I have been connected with for over seventeen years. W. Reid

Siamese Twin Canaries.

Sir,—I have been breeding Canaries as an amateur for three years, and I have now a bird which has nested twice this year. The first nest of three eggs all came off, and of the second nest of four eggs three birds came off. After two days I opened the remaining egg and found two birds inside; both birds were well formed, but one had no legs, the fully formed bird being joined by the head to the place where the legs of the other should have been. Will you kindly let me know if this is a common thing among Canaries? S. Abell.

[It is not a very uncommon occurrence for two birds to be formed within one egg, and such eggs occasionally hatch out. Less frequently, double yolked eggs will produce abnormalities, such as birds with two heads, or with extra feet or other limbs, and at rare intervals the double yolk results, as in the present case, in two more or less perfectly formed birds joined together.—Editor, Cage Birds.]

When Judges Disagree.

The Case of "White Rose."

Sir,—I had not intended to write again or take any further notice of Mr. Saywell's letters, but he accuses me of writing deliberate untruths. I thank him very much; he is a gentleman. He has evidently sat on that rock waiting for it to fly, until he has lost his memory. Read your own letters again, Mr. J. W. S., evidently you have forgotten since your proof-reader or secretary went through them, what they contain. I can therefore excuse you not remembering what you said twenty months ago. Practise what you preach, Mr. Saywell. How many writers have pointed out errors or mis-statements in your letters? Even Mr. Parlett has pulled you up on two occasions. It is unnecessary for me to defend myself, fanciers will understand that. As I am working on a Government contract for war materials I am unable to attend the meeting. Even if I had the time I have no particular desire to discuss this matter further with a person who talks in a more ungentlemanly manner than he writes. I thank the gentleman who made the appointment for me to attend the meeting re discussion; I had no knowledge of it until I saw it in the Club Notices column.

Hyson Green.

Sir,—There were five of us (including the owner of the "one and only"), and we met at a bird show not a thousand miles from Bradford. The conversation veered round to "White Rose." Some of the five expressed their firm conviction that it is not a Canary-Bullfinch, and gave their reasons for forming that opinion. The owner then declared that the cause of "White Rose" having more size and substance than any other Canary-Bullfinch was because it was bred from a Crestbred cock Canary. And now in Cage Birds of June 5, 1915, the owner tells us that "White Rose" was bred from a grand Norwich Canary, which came from a very prominent exhibitor of Norwich. It has always been admitted that the alleged father of "White Rose" was a buff Canary. Yet the owner, in his letter of June 5th, points out that the yellow bars on the wings and tail of "White Rose" come from the Canary. Such preposterous statements are not very flattering to the intelligence of your readers. Yellow bars on a buff Canary's wing; what next! Why they cannot even be found on a yellow Canary. He might as well tell us that the yellow bars on his Greenfinch Mule's wings came from the Canary; or that the yellow bar on the wings and tail of "White Rose" came from the black feathers of the Bullfinch. No, no; yellow cannot be produced by mixing black and buff

One of the Five.

Singing Finch-Canary Hybrids.

Sir,—It may interest you to know that I paired an African Grey Singing Finch cock with a Sib.-bred, Norwich type, hen Canary, and got four eggs, one of which was broken after they had been set two days, and one was unfertile. The remaining two, however, hatched out all right, and I have now two fine birds which will be three weeks old on June 11. Do you know of anyone who has reared this cross before? I have been told that no one has been successful before; I know of at least half a dozen fanciers who have tried.

H. Kay.

[Hybrids between Singing Finches, both Green and Grey, and Canaries have been successfully bred and reared, though neither of the crosses is a common one.—Ed. Cage Birds.]

Song Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids.

Confirmation by the President of the Darvel C.B.S.

Sir,—Mr. Anderson, one of our local bird-fanciers, has in his aviary two fine Song Thrush x Blackbird Hybrids which he has successfully reared. Both birds are in good condition, and show distinct trace of their parentage. The larger of the two is more of the Blackbird type, being dark brown on upper parts, but showing a beautiful speckled breast and flanks. The smaller one is more like its father, having the well-known speckled breast, but rather duller in colouration on the upper parts than a young Song Thrush. In fact, if it were flying about in the open, it would pass as a young Mavis, even to a close observer. Mr. Anderson has informed me that the Blackbird has again sat on four eggs. May his further endeavour give him further success.

Nicol C. Hopkins.

A Plea for Extra Selling Classes.

Sir,—Now that committees of bird societies are considering the schedules and classes for the forthcoming show season, I would like to emphasise the importance of putting on their schedule selling classes for Yorkshire and Norwich, flighted and unflighted, both cocks and hens, especially for open shows. There are hundreds like myself who have not the time nor sufficient acquaintance with numerous high-class breeders to visit their rooms individually and buy suitable birds. But, given the facility to buy good birds at open shows, we could make a point of attending and picking up a few. For instance, a good prize offered for most points in a selling class for cocks should bring out some good birds, and the same with hens. Being interested in Yorkshires, I specially commend this suggestion to Yorkshire societies; at all events, I intend to visit the shows that have the selling classes on their schedules, with a view to purchase good birds.

Yorkshire Clear.

Blue Tits in a Quarry.

Sir,—I have been greatly interested in reading the letters from the front relating to bird life, and no doubt your readers will be interested in a curious nesting place of a pair of blue tits. In the quarries of the Devon Balsalt Granite Co., at Trusham, Devon, where I am employed, there is a large crane which is on top of the rock about 20 feet high, and which pulls up the skips containing about 30 cwt. of stone. In this rock, just below the crane, a pair of Tits have built their nest in a hole, and have a clutch of young, although the skip is constantly bumping against the rock, when travelling up and down with stone for the breakers. The birds seem to watch the skips to see if all is clear for them to go in and out with food, which is nearly every minute. Below the nest, about 18 or 19 feet, large rocks are blasted out, and the blasting causes loud reports and great concussion. I cannot understand how the eggs could have been successfully hatched with the vibration of blasting; there are air drills working all day, and about 40 men employed, which causes a lot of noise. Other birds are breeding in bushes around the quarries and do not take any notice of the blasting which is carried out several times a day.

W. Back.

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The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—As an interested reader of Cage Birds, and especially of the correspondence on how to improve the Norwich Plainhead, I, like the writer of the letter in this week's number who signs himself "Observer," think it a pity that there should be so much of a bad spirit shown towards Mr. Allsopp, whose articles I fully enjoy as being very original, racy, and instructive. I may say I do not agree with all that Mr. Allsopp says, but all the same I hope to have the pleasure of reading more of his writings, and here let me ask others to stick to the improving of the Norwich Plainhead for the benefit of, I was going to say the novice, but I shall rather say the working-man fancier, who, having a love for the breed, has a sore struggle to keep in the Fancy. When I say working-man fancier I do not mean one who is earning about a fiver a week, but those who are earning a third of that sum. These are the men who would feel the benefit of some good practical advice which would not only improve their stud, but also their income. So come away, you stalwarts; stop mud-slinging, and instead of backing a fiver back up the backbone of the Fancy, the lowly working-man fancier. If this note should be the means of bringing out a bit of what our brother fanciers have up their sleeve I shall be well paid for the time spent. I hope to write you a little of my own experiences at some time soon.

T. R. Wallace.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Allsopp I may say I have read Mr. Brown's letter, but it would take time digesting. He says he does not consider it necessary to get large heads, better feather, increased colour, etc. His ambition is not great; mine always has been. In all hobbies I have taken up I improve upon existing varieties, and I have the reputation of doing it. Then he goes on to ask if the Crests and Cinnamons were always such big, bonny birds. Have these not been produced by crossing? I have bred and exhibited some of the best that ever graced the show bench of both varieties in their day, probably the best Cinnamons of all times, and I can tell your readers they were manufactured by direct crosses, introduced by your humble. If Mr. Brown or any other reader would like details I will give them. I think before one writes to this journal he should know something about the subject he is tackling; Mr. Brown does not appear to know much about improving the Norwich by crossing, or he would not talk of taking a lifetime to produce winning specimens. Now, Mr. Allsopp, I do not say the Crest is the only cross to ensure the correct head; I know good heads have been bred from the Cinnamon cross. But how were those good heads got? There's the rub; no Crest-bred in these. I hope you will be successful in finding a pure Norwich. What is it?

J. Bastock.

A Protection Association Proposed.

Sir,—Might I call the attention of British fanciers to the fact that a "Fanciers' Protection Association" is in the course of formation in Glasgow? The object of the Association will be to tackle the question of fraudulent dealers and others who impose on genuine bird fanciers. It is intended to counteract the operations of those who send dead or dying birds to purchasers at a distance, also dealers and others making false declaration as to sex, etc., of birds. The association, on satisfying itself that a deliberate and intentional wrong has been committed, will have the name of the individual or firm posted up in every bird club in Great Britain, and members will be asked to circulate the information amongst members not in attendance at the meetings. A nominal fee of one shilling per year will be charged for membership, and the various offices will be discharged voluntarily. In cases where an alleged offence has been committed, but where conclusive evidence of guilt is not established to the satisfaction of the Association, Cage Birds (provided you consent to act) will, after having been furnished with all the available information, be asked to decide. Members who are found guilty of any of the offences enumerated will be struck off the roll of membership of the Association.

The rules are not quite complete, but we shall be glad to hear from those interested, and thank you in anticipation for publication of this in your esteemed paper.

P. W. Lavin.

173, Thomson St., Dennistoun, Glasgow.

[We are publishing the above letter as received, although, in our opinion, our deposit system is quite an efficient safeguard against fraudulent practices, for no money is handed over by us to the seller until we receive notification from the buyer that he is satisfied with his purchase. It would not be possible for Cage Birds to take any active part in the proposed Association.—Editor "C.B."]

Eleven Eggs in a Clutch.

Sir,—In answer to D. Rowley, re eleven eggs in a clutch, I have had an unflighted Yorkshire hen lay eleven eggs in a clutch. I sat her when she had laid her third egg, and removed the cock, and I thought all was going on all right until one morning I went into the room and found blood all over the cage, and I was surprised to find a nest full of eleven eggs instead of the usual clutch of four or five. I am sorry to say I had to destroy her.

W. H. Buttle.

Rooks or Crows?

Sir,—The distinction between a Rook and a Crow seems to be a puzzle to many, and no matter how many times it is pointed out there seem always to be many who are thirsting for the information. For lucidity of explanation the answer given to an enquirer who has written to a North-county paper will take some beating. The contributor who vouchsafes the information made himself safe, according to his answer, by consulting three works of reference, and his researches have resulted in the settlement of the question for ever (?) He says:

"Crow, according to the generally accepted authorities, is the generic name of a number of birds. "Lloyd's Encyclopædia" gives this definition of it: 'Any one of various other birds belonging to the family Corvidæ.' The same work defines the Rook as the common Crow. 'Chambers's Encyclopædia' gives, under the head of 'Rook,' the explanation, 'A species of Crow'; and the 'Encyclopædia Britannica,' 'The commonest and best known of the Crow tribe.' Thus 'Crow' is the generic name—Rook, Carrion, Hooded, or Dun, as the case may be, the specific."

All the same, there will still be many of his readers who do not know the difference between a Rook and a Crow.

Corvidæ?

Birds in the Firing Line.

Sir,—Noting the several interesting letters from our soldiers at the Front which have been published in Cage Birds, I have thought your readers would like to know of a letter written by a soldier to his mother, and sent by the latter to "The Spectator." It is as follows:—

"I saw a Flycatcher here this afternoon, pretty little chap. . . . I have only seen one Bullfinch but heard several. This place is full of Nightingales. I have got one nest within four or five yards, but it is in a blackthorn thicket. My searches have so far disclosed a Magpie's nest with nine eggs. One I tried to blow, but it was too far advanced and smashed, so I have hopes of a tame one in about ten days' time. I have found heaps of Blackbirds' and Thrushes' nests. One lovely little nest roofed in blue feathers but not yet working. I think a Tit's of some kind. I saw Swallows here last Monday. Thursday afternoon I saw two Cuckoos for the first time this year; also a pair of Ravens. I think they are not nesting here but farther afield. Would you look up 'Morris' for any likely spots for Yellowhammers' nests? I have tramped through lots of gorse and crawled in banks and can't find one at all. I was surprised the other day sitting in my room reading to hear a noise like a cat having its tail trodden on. I got my glasses (guessing it was a bird) and hunted the tree-tops outside the window carefully and finally spotted a big bird nearly the size of a Jackdaw, certainly as big as a Jay, almost completely yellow, with long beak and some black on the wings and tail. I have heard it since, but not seen it, and must put it down as a Yellow Oriole. The bird was right on top of a tall beech tree and remained about three minutes, and flew off. I revisited the small closed-in nest made of moss I found ten days ago in a furze patch, and it is now feather-lined and contains eight eggs, white, with at the large end rust red spots fairly sprinkled and but a few towards the other end. It may be a Tit of some kind; not a long-tailed Tit, as there is no lichen on the nest."

A Reader.

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CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge-st., June 5, for three prizes: 1, Morley; 2, 3, Brindley; also June 6, for three prizes: 1, Watkiss; 2, Wainwright; 3, Longfield.—S. Morley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Kippax Linnet Club members' sing, Commercial Hotel, June 5; 28 birds entered for three prizes. 1, Cooper; 2, Liversedge; 3, Collinson. 13 of the 28 failed to sing a break of 5 seconds. Timekeepers, O. Potter, J. Cooper; tappers, R. Collinson, W. Perkin.—R. Plows, Sec.

Open sing, Saturday, June 12, at 3.—(Advt.)

FEATHERSTONE.

Open Linnet contest, Featherstone Hotel, June 5; 33 birds entered for 4 prizes, and there was some good singing. 1, Alf. Bull; 2, Scott; 3, Nelson; Wattkiss and Longfield shared 4. Open contest, Featherstone Hotel, June 12. Anyone wanting to be a member, please send his name to Alf. Bull, 19, Crossley Street, Featherstone.

BLACKBURN.

Blackburn quality Linnet Singing Assoc.—Club cup contest for quality, June 5, Club House, Empire Hotel, Boston-road, 30 birds competed for 6 good prizes: J, cup, sp. Statham, Leigh; 2, 4, Dobson; 3, Topping; 5, Pickering, Preston; 6, Rigby, Leigh. The cup winner won easily. Next contest, consolation for members June 19 at 2 prompt.—G. Hayhurst, Sec.

SPENNYMOOR.

Meeting held June 5, Butchers' Arms, Spennymoor. Rules were made up and 14 members elected. We had no time to do other business so we had to put it off to June 19. Hoping we will get more members.—W. Fairless.

Linnet singing will be held at Butchers' Arms, Merrington-lane, Spennymoor, on June 19, at 2.—(Advt.)

LEEDS.

To Linnet Fanciers.—Open contest for quality singing will be held at the Clarence Hotel, Skinner-lane, Leeds, on June 12, when good prizes will be given.—(Advt.).

Leeds Quality Singing Linnet Club.—Contest, Plasterer's Arms, June 5, 20 birds: 1, 2, C. Lorriman; 3, Turner, A. Lorriman share. Judges, H. Wigfield and H. Playforth. June 6, 34 birds sang, and it was the best match for some time. P. Madder, the judge, said that he had not judged better singing. 1, Wigfield; 2, Chipendale; 3, Turner; 4, Booth.—F. Turner, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-rd. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, June 5; 20 birds sang for 3 prizes: 1, Gomersall; 2, Sissons; 3, Hayes. Judges, Crane and Lacy. June 6, 28 sang for 4 prizes: 1, Buttery; 2, Sissons; 3, Naylor; 4, Richardson. Judges, Hardcastle, Butler, and Jennings.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Open contest June 6 for quality Linnet singing, the Pressers' Arms, Wordsworth-st., Kirkstall-rd. 16 birds faced the judges. 1, B. Smith; 2, J. Gallaway; 3, Smith. Judges, C. Tower and W. Smith. W. Smith, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing contests Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Bushiugthorpe, June 5; 19 competed. 1, Binns; 2, Green; 3, Hullen. Also June 6, a very fine contest was heard, the winner singing most beautifully. 1, Binns; 2, Green; 3, King. Judges, C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Commercial Inn, New Street, May 24. Lark contest. Landlord gave a special prize for 5 minutes' time sing; Shepherd, timer; A. Warering, chalker. Joblin, 3 mins. 48 secs.; Jones, 3.9; D. Fysh, 1.24; Peters, 1.3. May 29, Lark contest for 5 minutes' time sing: Fysh, 2 min. 40 secs.; Jones, 2.17; Fysh, 1.10. Matches, same day, for a special; first match, Jones, 1 min, 9 secs.; Fysh, 0. Second match, Jones, 3 mins. 48 secs.; Fysh, 3.38, all in one break, best this season. Linnet contest, May 29: Jones, 2 mins. 17 secs.; Roberts, 2.12; Jones, 1.44. Contest for Larks, June 5, with a moderate company; Shepherd timer, Warering chalker. The Landlord went to box his Lark and opened the wrong end of the box, when out Lobbed his bird, so he cannot sing any more. Thackra, 4 mins. 12 secs; Brushy, 3.39; D. Fysh, 3.15. Linnet sing, June 6, for novices: Brushy, 3 mins. 45 secs; Jones, 2.25; Ginger, 2.10.—Hardman, Sec.

The Shows.

WANSTEAD F. AND F.S.

Show, Cambridge Park Hall, May 29. Mr. G. King Judged. YORK.: 1, 4, vhc, Purday; 2, 3, Harris. NOR.: 1, certificate, best in section, 2, Taylor. BRIT.: 1, Marsh.—H. S. Lofthouse, Hon. Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

First N.F. Show, June 2, Oddfellow' Hall, Morley Street, 41 birds were staged, York hires and Norwich being the best represented. In Yorks. Mr. Crayn's winning variegated yellow and Mr Lus combe's leading buff were greatly admired; Mr. Ough's team in Norwich were excellent and a credit for a novice. Crests were poor in numbers but teeming in quality. Cinnamons were very poor only two being entered. Some very fine Britis were exhibited. Mr Cheney taking most of the honours. Judge: Norr, Mr. Pope; Crest and C.B., Mr. French; Brit. and For., Mr. Pridham; Romand er, Mr Cheney. Principal winner: York, Craven, Lucombe, Nor., Ough, Hamley, Brown; Crests and C.B., Bavage, Hutchings; Cinn., Brown, Pope; V.O.V., Powe, Brit., Hambley, Cheney; For., Hutchings.

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GRIMSBY O.S.

First N.F. and British table show, May 27, headquarters, 160, Freeman Street; 22 birds were staged. Mr. A. Towl judged, and seemed to give general satisfaction. Nov. Nor. Yell.: 1, Stead. Buff: 1, 2, Stead. Mule or Hyb.: 1, 2, 3, Watson; 4, Smith. Linnet: 1, 2, 3, Watson; 4, Smith. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, 2, 3, 4, C. H. Smith. Greenf.: 1, Watson. Siskin, etc.: 1, C. H. Smith. Bunting: 1, 2, Watson. A.O. Brit.: 1, 2, 3, C. H. Smith.—J. T. Cotterill.

EAST HAM F.S.

Second monthly show, headquarters, Earl of Wakefield, May 29: 121 exhibits. Mr. Fleet judged and gave every satisfaction. Mr. Bosher won silver spoon for best bird with a splendid Bullfinch. Yorks Cl.: 1, Potter. Variег.: 1, Potter; 2, Bosher. Nor. Cl.: 1, 2, Turner. Goldf.: 1, Thaler; 2, Turner; 3, Bosher; res, Potter. A.O. Hardhill: 1, sp, Bosher; 2, Turner. General meeting June 17; discussion by Mr. Harwood on the benefits of promoting inter-society contests, etc.—W. A. Harwood, Hon. Sec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

F.F. Show, June 5, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st., E.C. Four members judged Messrs. Harrison, Cullers, H. Bell, and Gilbert. 82 birds staged, novice Norwich making the best show of 16 entries. Member proposed Mr. Dyer. Champ. Nor, Cl. or Tkd. (2); Mkd. (2): all H. Bell. Yorks, Cl. or Tkd. (4): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Gilbert. Nov. Nor, Cl. or Tkd. (7): 1, 2, hc, Cullers; 3, M. A. Bell; vhc, Davey; c, Harrison. Mkd. or Var. (9): 1, c, Miss Cullers; 2, M. A. Bell; 3, Harrison; vhc, Davey. Yorks, Cl. or Tkd. (5): 1, 2, Stubbs; 3, vhc, hc, Durham. Mkd. or Var. (1): Stubb. A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Miss Cullers.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

WINDHILL C.B.S.

Members F.F. Show, June 5, Blue Bell Hotel. Only a moderate entry, but very good birds shown. Mr. D. Sutcliffe, Wibsey, judged to the satisfaction of all. Points for season's prizes.—Champ., Goodwin, 11; Fretwell, 14; Mason, 10; Garnett, 8. Novices: Bloomfield, 13; Baxter, 6; Ellis, 5; Broadley 5. Awards, Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (11): 1, vhc, W. Bloomfield; 2, 3, Goodwin; 4, hc, Mason; c, Fretwell. Buff (7): 1, 2, Fretwell; 3, Wilman. 4, Mason; vhc, Broadley; hc, Ellis; c, Hopwood. Green Mkd. Yell. (3): 1, Bloomfield; 2, 3, Ellis. Buff (5): 1, Baxter; 2, 3, Garnett; 4, vhc, Broadley. Cinn. Mkd. Buff (1): 1, Baxter.—J. Taylor, Sec.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

F.F. Show, Station Hotel, June 5; judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill. Champ., Class 1: 1, vhc, G. Midgley; 2, Ormonroyd; 3, 4, hc, Hartley. Class 2: 1, 2, Hartley; 3, Ormonroyd; 4, vhc, S. Midgley. Class 3: 1, vhc, Hartley; 2, 3, Ormonroyd; 4, S. Midgley. Class 4: 1, sp, Hartley; 2, 4, G. Midgley; 3, S. Midgley. Class 5: 1, 2, G. Midgley. Class 8: 1, G. Midgley. Nov., Class 1: 1, Collins Bros.; 2, Ellis Sell. Class 2: 1, Ellis Sell; 2, Shackleton. Class 3: 1, sp, Shackleton; 2, Ellis Self. Class 4: 1, Ellis Self; 2, Collins Bros. Class 5: 1, Ellis Self. Class 6: 1, Ellis Self. Class 8: 1, Shackleton.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

First young stock show "Salisbury," Lewisham, June 3. Entries were lower than in previous years, but considering the times this is not to be wondered at. Although Mr. J. Fuller, who is in France, managed to have a team out, the loss of entries was greatly felt from such keen exhibitors as Sergt. Joplin, C. Preece, P. Cooper, C. Young, and F. W. Burton, who are all with the Forces. An entry of 30 must therefore be considered very satisfactory, and quality throughout was very good. Special best in show went to Mr. W. H. Gardner's winning Nor., closely followed by Mr. A. J. Clarke's Yorks., and Mr. H. C. Humphries' Buff Bord., a real "wee gem," bred, we hear, from the L.C.B.A. diploma winner. Mr. R. A. Newley judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction.

CHAMP., 2 OR.: 1, 2, Gardner. YORKS., A.V.: 1, 2, Clarke. NOV. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Purcell; 2, 3, Fuller. BUFF: 1, Purcell. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, 3, Fuller; 2, Purcell; vhc, hc, c Adams. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Fuller; 2, vhc, Salmon BUFF: 1, 2, Fuller; 3, Adams. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Humphries. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc, Humphries; 3, Martin. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, Humphries; 2, Martin. Next show July 1; judge, Mr. J. Robson. Mr. Fred. Marcell, of Barnsbury, who has just become a member, is giving splendid specials, value 10s. 6d each, for best champion, and best novice, and we therefore hope for a large entry and keen competition.—Burton Bros.

Club Reports.

BORDER CITY (Carlisle) O.S.

Meeting, Headquarters, June 2, before a good attendance. Correspondence from CAGE BIRDS and O.N.P.C. was read. Subs. for cups handed in; first young bird show discussed. Proposed that this be held June 30, at 7, seven classes: Border cl. or tkd. yell., buff, variег., gr. or cinn., Nor. cl. or tkd. yell., buff, variег. J. C. Bell

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Meeting, June 1. A vote of thanks was accorded Sec. for having made arrangements for the annual outing, and it was regretted that he had been too unwell to be present at the outing. Mr. Morris was nominated for membership. Schedule for the young bird show arranged. It is practically the same as last year, but we are adding a cup for Dove.—A. R. Cox.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Meeting, St. John's Hall, May 31, Mr. W. H. Phipps, chair and only a small attendance due to the breeding season being in full swing. Decided not to purchase any closed ring this season. Proposed and seconded that there shall be three competitors, and not less than six entries for points to count for cups, and an amendment was moved to the effect that there be two competitors and six entries. The amendment was lost, but we pointed out that new rule could only be made at a general or special general meeting called for that purpose, and he was instructed to call a special general meeting for June to bring the matter to a final decision. Arranged to hold show early in July, 1st or 2nd Monday or Wednesday. New members made, Messrs. M. Crawley and C. E. Potter. Vote of thanks to chair brought the meeting to a close. Will members please take notice of the "Club and Society Notices" column in CAGE BIRDS, as after the next meeting no post cards will be sent.—G. R. Birch (Hon. Sec.)

ABERSYCHAN C.B.S.

June meeting, Queen's Hotel, Mr. Parry presiding. Resolved to have a radius of 20 miles for the N.F. Show, and to advertise same in "Cage Birds." Two new members elected, Mr. Simons and Mr. Johnson. Mr. Sweeting, the late Sec., produced all books, and these were received with thanks by the meeting.—W. T. Couch, Sec.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Meeting, with a fair turn-out. After routine business, Sec. was instructed to write for various club patronages. Agreed that Mr. H. W. Battye judge Nor. and Yorks. Members are complaining bitterly of ill-success in the first round, the eggs not hatching owing to the cold weather.—Geo. Havver, Hon. Sec.

PELTON FELL C.B.S.

Meeting June 5. Mr. R. Rowell was elected to judge N.F. show July 3. Judges for annual show left over to next meeting. Six new members nominated. Our treasurer and secretary have joined the colours, and we all wish them soon back. The books were handed over to the chairman, Mr. J. Stanger; those wishing to be members can join at any time, let them send a card to James Stanger, 59, Grange Terrace, Pelton Fell, Co. Durham.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S.

Meeting, June 1, Mr. Gibbins presided over a large attendance. Members expressed regret to hear of the deaths of Mr. J. B. Stone, and Mr. H. Colver; a great loss to the society and to the Fancy. Decided to hold N.F. Show June 26, with a small charge for admission; proceeds to be placed to the new trophy fund. Prizes won at the recent shows were handed to winners, and the rest of the evening was occupied in "Questions and Answers," a good discussion followed. The usual vote of thanks closed the meeting.—A. Freestone.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting June 5, Mr. Hutchinson chair, and a good turn up of new members. Schedule for young bird show arranged, and Mr. J. Calvert appointed judge. 2 Nor., 2 Yorks, 3 Bord., Goldf. and Bullf., Greenf., Linnet, F. or H.M., Mule or Hyb., Redpoll, Siskin, or Twite, British A.O.V. Decided to have another cup for this year, as R. Peart has won the other outright. We intend changing our meeting night to see if we can get a few more to attend. Please don't forget next meeting June 19.—W. Thompson

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting June 1, Headquarters, Mr. W. G. Fellows, chair. Mr. Downes was elected a member. A number of members regretted that war work would prevent their attendance at the ramble on June 9, but sufficient promises are to hand to ensure a successful outing. A number of special prizes were offered for the F.F. show in July, and the members present took a supply of tickets to sell for same. The hon. sec. would like to hear from any member who is anxious to give a special, or would help by disposing of a few tickets.—G. J. Slade, Hon. Assist. Sec.

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

Meeting June 5, Lockhart's, Mr. Walton chair, with a very good attendance for the time of the year. Members are doing very well with their breeding. We have already sold 700 rings and results up to date of birds on the sticks are: Kranner 20, Walton 20, Atkinson 12, Boyd 6, Hallam 14, Bew 22, Heron 16, Knapton 25, Bennett 10, Raine 6, Roberts 15, Heaton 13, Barnett 40 (it will be noted this member is having a very good season), Taylor 35, Spence 10, Condliffe 20, Thwaites 25, and Best 40: so given a bit of reasonable luck members should give a good account of themselves at the coming shows.—H. Best, Sec.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.

Meeting May 31, Boy Scouts Room, a good number turned up and some very interesting items were gone into. N.F. show fixed for July 14. Periodical rambles were discussed and voted unanimously. The first to take place June 13, weather permitting; friends are invited to join. Mr. E. Cook has promised to lead the way, being well acquainted with the surrounding country, so we are sure to have an enjoyable time. Meet outside of Eastleigh station 9.15 a.m. sharp. Ramble will occupy about four hours through an excellent piece of country thickly populated by our feathered friends. Second ramble July 1.—J. Alderslade, Sec.

BARROW C.B.S.

Meeting June 2, Gardner's Restaurant, Mr. A. Hudson presiding, and a poor turn out present. Decided to run the N.F. Show on July 10 in aid of the Mayor's Tobacco Fund for the local Territorials at the Front who are fighting for the maintenance of our safety and civilisation. It is to be hoped our members will rally round and make the show a gigantic success, and thus add to the comfort of our lads. The show will be opened by J. Fisher, Esq., at 2 o'clock. At our next meeting, June 16, all the printing will be in order, so let us have a bumping turn out, and get the tickets on sale, and thus relieve the anxiety of the committee.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE & LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Volunteer Inn, Oldham, May 15, only a moderate attendance. Sec. was unable to attend, and Mr. Joe Hampshire, Oldham, kindly performed the duties. Mr. Bradley was once again amongst us. The question of specials was gone into, all those present receiving theirs, the others being left over until claimed. Decided that Sec. write all last year's societies who gave us Lizard and Lancashire patronage, and try and arrange dates for coming shows. Time and place of next meeting to be left in secretary's hands. Show secretaries desiring the patronage of the Lancashire and Lizard F.A. should write at once to me at 44, Hall Carr Road, Rawtenstall, Lancs., for particulars. Members please try and attend meetings, and especially the next one, as business of importance will be gone into.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

ALTRINCHAM OPEN C.B.S.

Meeting June 2, Station Cafe, Mr. Broadhead presiding over a poor attendance. This is to be regretted, as Mr W. Robinson was present to give his postponed lecture on the Norwich Canary. Mr. Robinson gave a very full account of his method in breeding and general management, and a vote of thanks was accorded him at the close.

Decided to postpone the N.F. show to July 17, and time of meeting to be 8.30 instead of 8 during the summer months. Next meeting June 16. 10 minutes' papers on reasons for keeping different varieties of birds, by Messrs. Leah, Foster, Drinkwater, and Illingworth.—O. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Special meeting Kelvedon Hall, May 31, Mr. J. Jeffreys chair, and a good attendance. Decided to postpone the Young Bird Show to last Saturday in July, Mr. Robson judge. Next meeting June 17 when Mr. J. Jeffries will open a discussion on colour feeding.—H. F. Bowring, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Monthly meeting, 4th June, Mr. Jones presiding. After hearing a report on the progress of the combined show the papers on birdy matters were read. Eight competed and the winners, selected by voting, were Messrs. Sparkes, Sisson, and Jones. Mr. Harry Sanderson elected a member. Next meeting table show of young birds.—E. Sisson, Assist Sec.

READING C.B.S.

Meeting, June 2 with a good attendance. Sec. reported that Mr. T. Yates had kindly promised to judge F.F. Show, July 7. Members will receive schedules as soon as ready. Mr. Frewin and Sec. gave two different methods of colour food making. Mr. Frewin using egg and biscuit, and the Sec. Spratt's cod liver oil food and no egg. Both were much appreciated by members, the methods were considered as good as each other, so the prize was held over for a future competition. Members are reminded that all points in Canary classes at F.F. Show count towards points cup, so please send as many entries as possible.—O. C. Smith, Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER C.C.

Meeting, June 2, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Mr. A. Affleck, chair, before a good turn up. Mr. Coulthard was elected a member. Decided to have N.F. show at next meeting. Judges, Mr. Coulthard (champion), Mr. Montgomery (novice). The remainder of the evening was devoted to questions and answers, the whole of those present taking part. It was evident that members were out to enjoy themselves, as some of these were of a distinctly original and humorous character, and at times the meeting fairly rocked with laughter, especially when Mr. Potts, in replying to a question as to whether hens' eggs were best for soft food, said that "Not having used cocks' eggs he could not recommend them." Several others kept the meeting going with just that swing which is so essential for the building up of good fellowship.—C. Farrer, Hon. Sec.

Country Rambles

REDCAR C.B.S.

Members had a very pleasant ramble, June 6, on the Marske Whins, being ably escorted by Messrs. Clarke and Dunn. Arriving at our destination we were soon convinced of the presence of plenty of bird life, by the many songsters all round. Nests were found of many varieties, Thrushes, Blackbirds, Brown and Green Linnets, Chaffinches, Hedge Sparrows, and Redpolls, being fairly numerous, both with eggs and young. We also found or were shown nests of the Yellowhammer, Chiff-Chaff, and "Featherpoke"; also the nest of a Pheasant, with about six eggs within a day of hatching, the young being all dead in the shell. The hillsides were covered with bluebells, and members took advantage of this to take home a good supply. After having a good ramble, thanks to our escort, we plodded off, ready to do justice to a good dinner, after spending a very pleasant and instructive morning.—W. Boagey, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

The ramble on June 6 was a huge success; the atmospheric conditions were ideal, the sun shone brilliantly all day, and a refreshing breeze compensated for the heat. The minster was a good one, including nearly all our officials and many of their friends, even one journeyed from Bradford to join us, which is evidence how attractive the outing was. Starting from the Park Hotel, Hillsbro', we made for Whale's Jaw, via Wadsley Bridge and Penistone Old Road, where we met our guide, Mr. Joe Beever, a most interesting individual with a thorough knowledge of the district. We rested a few minutes to survey the wonderful scenery, and after swallowing a mass of information from "Joe," set off along Birley Edge to Greno Wood. Skirting the plantation to the top corner, we entered a most beautiful coppice, and in spite of the drought, the perfume of the bloom was exquisite. Passing along, our attention was drawn to a path, almost overgrown, along which, 60 years ago, the post-boy, Geo. Coggin, who is still alive, carried the letters to the farm houses on that memorable 9th of May when snow lay 15 inches deep. Meandering on, we left the Norfolk estate, and crossing a small stream we entered the Wharncliffe Wood, in which the foliage was really beautiful, and this was the most charming part of our ramble. Just then a Red start appeared, and I was informed by our guide that these birds were becoming more plentiful. There was abundance of bird life of many species which soon cleared away owing to the babbling of some of our noisy members. At the edge of the wood the advance guard waited for the laggard to arrive, and then we journeyed via Hollow Farm to Penistone Old Road and turned toward Sheffield. We had not gone far, the loiterers now leading in fine style, when we spotted a dray laden with all sorts of liquid refreshments, provided through the usual generosity of our Chairman (Mr. Dawn). We lounged in the wood by the roadside until all had been refreshed in a most acceptable manner, and a few snapshots had been taken, and then passed on through the wood, the large trees covered with foliage keeping out the hot rays of the sun. Suddenly we came upon some ant-hills, and there was a rush among British Birmen for the eggs, and what a harvest they reaped. Soon we emerged from the wood and arrived at the Norfolk Arms, Grenoside, where the ever accepted able Inn and egg tea was provided. A company of 26 sat down and thoroughly enjoyed the feast which was put on in the usual satisfactory style. At 8 p.m. a move was made towards home, all arriving in good time, and the verdict was one of the most enjoyable runs we have had.—E. C. Job, Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CAUSE OF UNFERTILE EGGS (Harrow, V.B.).—It is not always possible to discover the real cause of unfertile eggs, particularly when the birds, as in your case, appear to be in the best of health and condition. As the hens are now sitting on third clutches, you must have mated them up too early for one thing, and this, with the violent weather changes we have had this spring, may be responsible to a great extent for the lack of fertility. Another probable cause is an overfed condition, which I rather fancy is the most likely one, as it would also explain the condition of the hen which is so often egg bound; or the hens may not have been in quite good condition in spite of appearances, or mating may have taken place in the nest this season, an idiosyncrasy which almost invariably results in this way, or the hens may be past their prime of usefulness as stock birds. On the latter point you give me no clue to give any definite opinion, but some hens lose their powers much earlier than others. I should advise you altogether to discard the hen that is so often egg-bound, and if no results are obtained from the others this round, separate them for this season, give a liberal allowance of green food and seed heads of wild things, and add a pinch of Epsom salts and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water three times a week for a month or six weeks.

YOUNG DYING (E. C. Briggs).—I am afraid you have not made very good use of your study of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," or you would not be giving crushed hemp daily from the time the young are three days old. You might also have seen similar questions to yours answered in this column every week for many weeks past: vide replies to "Reby, 146," and "Outdoor" in last issue, and that to "Trier" in issue of May 29. If you read up these replies and act upon the information therein, and in "Canary Breeding," as it best applies to your own case, stop giving hemp until the young are about ten days old, substitute a little crisp young lettuce or the flowering tips of groundsel for the watercress, sprinkle the egg food with maw seed each time you give a fresh supply, offer the hen a saline bath, and dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea in the drinking water as soon as you see that she is flagging, I think you will get over your trouble and meet with a greater share of success. You may give a little soaked summer rape in a separate vessel when the young are a week old, but you must be very careful to see that this does not become sour. Give sufficient to last only about two hours at one time.

A RELAPSE (Mrs. J. P.).—It is unfortunate that the bird got so exposed just at the time when it was making such good headway. A relapse was only what might have been expected under such circumstances. The noises in the throat are of sufficient consequence to show that the bird is unfit for breeding, and probably also for any further outdoor life so long as they last. Keep the bird indoors for another month, in a room without fires, with plenty of fresh air, but not in direct draughts (the west room should do nicely if the temperature can be kept down fairly well in the day by open windows). Treat generally as advised in last reply, but try the effect of five drops each every third day of oxymel of squills, specacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia, and sweet spirit of nitre instead of the mixture advised in last reply. Then if the noises have disappeared, and the weather is still settled and warm, you may try it again in the outdoor aviary. It would, however, be a judicious policy to make a point, in any case, of bringing it indoors again in the autumn until next spring.

A BIT PANTIFIED (W. G. Owen).—I do not think this hen is at all a likely subject for breeding successfully. Assuming that she built the nest herself, she has doubtless an interrupted cycle of reproduction, a possibility which could not have been foreseen when you bought her, and the panting, though significant of more or less serious trouble, may not have been discernible until the hen began to sit. Every second day give a morsel of bread and milk on which you have dropped three drops of cod liver oil emulsion and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle, and linseed or chopped sunflower, and every third day add to the drinking water a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and ten drops of lemon juice. Give a liberal supply of seedy chickweed, flower tips of groundsel, or seed heads of dandelion daily. If this treatment does not result in starting her to nest more naturally in the course of a fortnight or so, go back to an ordinary diet and, if procurable, give the hen a clutch of common eggs to hatch out and rear, which she will probably do quite well, and she may then go to nest on her own account in a normal manner.

CONTINUAL MOULTING (H.).—It certainly looks as if you had not properly removed the exciting causes of the condition, such as the sudden and extreme changes of temperature, which you will get by hanging the bird in a window, or near or over a light which is burning for a few hours in the evenings, or high up near the ceiling, or where it is occasionally exposed to direct cold draughts. Attend to these points, and if the bird is in an overfed condition add to its drinking water every second day for a fortnight as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice, and afterwards treat as follows for a week or two, and note results. Stop the sponge cake, and every third day give instead a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut sprinkled with soft sugar, and on one of the intervening days each time give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Give a variety of green seedy things daily—chickweed, shepherd's purse, plantain stalks, and dandelion heads. In the drinking water add every third day a crystal of sulphate of iron the size of a split pea and ten drops of dilute sulphuric acid. If bird is not too fat, give the aperient for two consecutive days only, and then go on with the latter part of the treatment.

GRADUAL DIMINUTION (F. G. T.).—There is nothing in your letter that gives me any clue to the probable cause of the gradual dying off of the young brood. It occurs with some hens that are rather slack and negligent parents, but in these cases one or two of the strongest of the brood should survive, whereas yours died off to the last one. I take it you mix the chopped watercress with the soft food, which is a method I do not care for, though it is not sufficient to account for the loss of the young. When the next broods are hatched, feed for the first four days on equal parts of the soft food you name and yolk of hard-boiled egg. Then gradually add an increasing proportion of stale breadcrumbs until at the end of a week you are using equal parts breadcrumb, egg and the food in question, and slightly sprinkle it with maw seed. For green food give crisp young lettuce, chickweed, or flowering tips of groundsel in preference to watercress, though the latter must be given if the other things are not obtainable. When the young are a week old you may add in a separate vessel a teaspoonful of soaked summer rape daily, but if all this is not consumed in a couple of hours or so remove it, as it will sour in that time in warm weather. At about twelve days old add also a similar quantity of cracked rape daily, but see that this is sweet and sound in the kernel. See "Canary Breeding," which you say you have obtained, for further details, and follow this method with the next broods, and I think you should find things go along to a more successful issue.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); Rouse's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); Rouse's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

DOMESTIC BROILS (E. M. T.).—(1) It is not at all unusual for cocks caged together to be somewhat quarrelsome at this season. If they have a fair amount of "elbow room" no damage is likely to be done, but, still, they would be better caged separately now until it is time to mate them. (2) Of course it is possible to rear the young by hand without the parents' assistance. I have done it myself a number of times, and, as you have found, the trouble is well repaid in the tameness and familiarity of the birds so reared. (3) The silver Lizard which you thought a cock will probably prove a hen, although it is quite possible for a cock in high breeding condition to feed a cock that is out of condition. (4) I do not advise you to mate birds from the same nest. There is practically always considerable loss of size and otamina, and as you have no definite object in doing so, my advice is—don't. (5) About the end of March, if the weather is favourable, is the time to mate up the birds. (6) Yes, when a teaspoonful of mixed seed is prescribed in feeding up birds, it means that quantity for each bird.

NOT SINGING (Roller).—Possibly the bird has seen the best of his days, but try what the following will do for him in the course of a month or so. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed, and in addition give separately every third day half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape, and on the intervening days give first a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle, and a morsel of banana, or some green salad, and next a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake or its equivalent in bread and milk, sprinkled with soft sugar. In the water add, every second day for a week, as much Epsom salts as will cover a threepenny piece, and ten drops of lemon juice, and in the next week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the first two weeks' treatment in the same order. Offer it the bath four times a week in mild weather. Its behaviour when you offer it green food, etc., is simply a feature of tameness; it is merely making advances for play, or a sham fight.

BIRDS DYING (Downhearted).—After carefully considering your query, I am rather inclined to think you have a non-virulent type of septic fever among your stock, and would strongly advise you to get a post-mortem on the next that dies, in order to ascertain if this is the case. Otherwise it is doubtless bronchial trouble, but from the particulars you give of your room, it is difficult to see how this comes about, unless there is damp in the room. Give the affected birds half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape each every second day in addition to the staple diet, and on the alternate days give a piece of bread and milk, the size of a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and slightly sprinkled with soft sugar, and two crisp young dandelion leaves. Twice a week give also a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp niger millet, teazle, and broken groats. In the drinking water add 20 drops of Chemical Food four times a week. Continue this treatment for a month, and if there is not a considerable improvement write again, and I will advise you further.

A TRIO (C. C.).—(1) Yes, it probably would throw the birds into moult to remove them to a cold room now. Your best course is to keep them well away from the fire where the temperature is fairly equable, but away from cold draughts, for a week or two, until we get a spell of nice mild weather somewhere about the middle of March, as will most likely occur, and make the change then. This will prevent them going into moult when moved, unless the circumstances are quite exceptional. To stop the cock dropping casual feathers give, every second day, half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. In the water add six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel, every third day, until the feathers cease dropping. (2) Every second day for a week give the hen a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and on the alternate days add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea to the water. In the following week give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid, every second day. If not then well, write again, and give at least a few particulars, which you now quite omit. (3) Answered in No. 1.

BECOMING BALD (C.P.).—Carefully examine the bird to see if it is troubled with grey lice, and if so take the necessary steps to exterminate this pest. If no insects are present add 20 drops of fluid magnesia to the drinking water every second day for a week. After this give every third day for a month a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and then sprinkled with maw seed, and on the day following each time add to the water as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice. If there are any quite bald areas you may slightly anoint the skin over them twice a week with a little sulphur ointment, but do not daub the feathers more than is absolutely unavoidable. Allow the bird to bathe quite freely, and give a variety of green foods, and the half ripe seed heads of wild plants as they come in season. The feathers may not be reproduced until the natural moulting season, but if you consistently follow up the above course of treatment they will probably come all right at that season.

A BALD BORDER (T.B.).—Although the bird appears quite healthy, and has fertilised the eggs well, I doubt the wisdom of breeding with this type of bird. The trouble is certainly in no sense infectious, but there is a certain risk of the young from such birds inheriting a predisposition to the same trouble and of it becoming strongly hereditary. Treat this bird the same as advised to "C.P." in this issue. Treat the buff cock that is just going the same way in the same manner, except that there will be no necessity to anoint the skin if there are no conspicuous bare patches, as one does not want to disfigure a bird considerably until it moults.

COLOUR FEEDING (A.B.).—You omit to say whether you require the birds for exhibition, stock, or sale, or what breed you refer to, and these points materially affect the question. For exhibition, colour feeding, as generally understood, is totally prohibited for the Border Fancy, but to succeed with Norwich, Cinnamons, Lizards, or Yorkshires, though perhaps to a rather less extent with the latter, it is essential; with other breeds it is rather a matter of opinion, though colour probably always tells more or less in turning the scale when other points of merit are finely balanced. If the birds are for sale a little extra colour in all breeds save Borders will invariably add a little to the price which can be obtained for the birds. The colour-feeding of birds required only for stock, or one's own hobby, may be left entirely to each one's particular fancy. Perhaps this will enable you to decide for yourself whether you will "feed" the birds or not. If you decide to do so, you should get the brochure on "Colour Feeding," which our manager would send you for 3½d. post free, and read and digest its pages before the young stock begin to moult, which may be in about a month from now.

SHELLED SEED (John Bull).—The birds, and not mice, are undoubtedly the cause of the shelled seed, of which you send a sample. Sometimes, especially at this season, it is merely the result of mischief, a kind of ennui, but more generally arises from a deranged digestion. Give the birds in the cages where you find this seed a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternating days give, for each bird, half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Give a liberal supply of seedy greenstuff—chickweed, mouse-ear, shepherd's purse, plantain stalks, or seed heads of dandelion—daily. In the drinking water every second day for a week add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and after this give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for one or two weeks, as may seem necessary. A cube of hard common salt stuck in the wires for the birds to peck at when they like is often useful in these cases.

STRANGE DEATHS (Bewildered).—I am rather at a loss to name any definite cause of the deaths of so many of your young birds, as there is really very little to find fault with in your general treatment, and the circumstances are peculiar in other ways. Therefore, I think you would be well advised to get a post-mortem on one of the next that die. The sample of hemp, though it contains a rather large percentage of green unripened grains, is of very good quality, so I fail to see how that can be the cause, although you begin to give it earlier than is desirable in ordinary circumstances. Why the young should raise their heads to be fed and yet be unable to open their beaks I cannot quite understand. You should closely examine the beaks to see if there is any gluey secretion or particles of food dried about them which prevents their opening the mandibles, and if that is the case moisten with a drop of warm water, and then touch with a little unsalted butter. The only other likely cause that presents itself to me is constipation, or, possibly, the hens neglecting to keep the nest clean, which may cause caked vents, and in either case give rise to impaction of the bowels. With future broods vary your treatment as follows, and note results. After the first two days add an equal bulk of crushed sponge cake to the egg, and a day or two later add bread crumb, and finish off young with a mixture of equal parts egg, sponge cake, and bread crumb. Give a fair amount of green food from about the fifth day, giving a little, of course, on the two previous days, and give a proportion of crisp young lettuce and the flowering tips of young groundsel instead of all watercress, and do not begin to give hemp until the young are about eight to ten days old, and when you give it only crack it lightly, and not crush it entirely. You may give a little soaked summer rape when the young are about a week old, but be careful that it does not remain long enough to become sour. Offer the bath daily now that the weather is so warm, and if you can do it with safety from prowling vermin and change of air currents allow the window to remain open a little at night. Ventilate quite freely by day.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

HEN NOT LAYING (H).—I cannot see that you can make any alteration in your treatment that will hurry matters on. Hens are frequently some days before they lay even after the nest is built, and one sometimes gets tired of waiting. You might add a little lightly cracked hemp to the seed supply, and increase the wild food, particularly shepherds purse, and seeding chickweed and grasses. It might be advisable to part them for a couple of days, returning the Linnet afterwards during the evening.

FEEDING AN OWL (A.M.).—In a wild state Owls are flesh and insect eaters, feeding upon rats, mice, moles, young rabbits, small birds, beetles, etc., and I have never heard that they can be kept for any length of time upon anything but flesh food. I have had several at odd times, and have always fed them in this way, but then as I have not wanted them for long it was not a very difficult matter. I am inclined to think that if one was hand-rearing a specimen it could be given a certain quantity of insectile food with the meat, although as a rule when birds once get the taste of the stronger food, they refuse all other. The most simple way of feeding would be with odd pieces of meat from the butcher's, and set traps for mice and surplus sparrows. A beetle trap set at the baker's will add to his diet, the beetles should be given alive at sundown.

HAND-REARING LINNETS AND BULLFINCHES (Ranger).—Unless one is very careful, bread, when soaked, is liable to cause diarrhœa in young birds, particularly when given with rape-seed. If bread is used at all, it should be quite stale, then soaked in cold water for an hour, squeezed as dry as possible between the hands, and mixed with egg and biscuits; this makes a capital soft food when the young commence to feed themselves, care being taken that the glass or china vessel is washed clean twice a day. For hand-rearing you will find stale sponge cake, biscuit powder and hard-boiled egg much better. This should be mixed dry, and then a small quantity taken and made rather sloppy with new milk or diluted condensed. See that all the food given to the young ones is perfectly sweet. After a time add a little soaked rape and chopped green food to the mixture. If you can obtain a few live ants' eggs, or even good dried ones, they can also be used. You will find that in this way all the Finches can be safely hand-reared.

SCREENINGS FROM THRESHER (D. Davidson).—The sample of seed sent is in very good condition, and nicely ripened. Among others it contains corn marigold, thistle (just a trace), shepherd's purse, chickweed, and grass. The black seed I recognise as a plant that grows among the corn, particularly upon chalky soil. Wild Doves are very fond of it, but Finches scarcely touch it, so I would not advise you to force your bird to eat it. Let him pick it over and throw away what is left.

COLOUR FEEDING FINCHES AND MULES (H. Kay).—If you can obtain a good orange or yellow colour feed, it would be the right thing to use for your Finches, but I am afraid you will only be able to get the ordinary red feed. The orange food of which I have seen samples is simply the red food of lighter tone. A good yellow food was easily obtainable at one time, but the craze for high colour has put it off the market. I think if you feed with ordinary colour food, and give it lightly to all the Finches, you will get quite as much colour in them as is desirable. The Mules

NESTING GREENFINCHES (Greenie).—Of all our British Finches the "Greenbirds" are the most likely to incubate and rear the young in captivity, especially when flying in a good sized aviary. Take notice when the hen commences to sit, and on the thirteenth day give some soft food for rearing the young. This should consist of hard-boiled egg, powdered biscuit, and a few ants' eggs, or about a third of insectile food as used for Warblers, making the whole just crumbly moist. Also supply daily a little soaked seed, mostly rape, and a fair quantity of sunflower. Collect all kinds of seeding weeds, including grass, and give them a good handful twice a day.

EXHIBITING QUAILS (W.A.B.).—One scarcely looks upon a Quail as being a desirable cage bird for exhibitions. It is much nearer related to the Poultry than to Finches and Buntings; moreover, the bird does not figure in the rather extensive list of desirable cage birds, put together by the National British Bird and Mule Club. A cage for exhibition would require to be about 16 inches long, 9 inches wide, and 10 inches high. It would not need perches. The colour of the interior should be a rather bright middle green in tone. In a state of nature Quails feed upon insects and seeds. In captivity they should be fed upon crushed puppy biscuit soaked in hot water with a spoonful of ants' eggs or double the quantity of insectile food added. The seed they prefer is hemp, although they will eat canary and millet.

GOLDFINCH BALD (Westgate).—You appear to me to have treated your bird quite correctly, i.e., if the bareness is caused simply by loss of feather, because in that case it is just possible the plumage will commence to grow again shortly. If, on the other hand, it is caused through insects, the feathers will not grow again until the moult, the reason being that the insects eat the feathers, leaving the stumps in the skin, which do not come out until loosened by nature in the autumn. Examine him carefully for insects, and if he has any you must either hand-wash him and get rid of them, or try to remove them by the more natural means of letting him bathe in water to which has been added a few drops of strong essence of quassia. If no insects are found, treat as you are now doing, giving him a couple of doses of

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Glauber salts, missing 2 or 3 days between the doses. Feed on soaked seeds, plenty of green food, and a cube of rather acid apple if you can obtain it.

BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (W.H.S.).—Finches and Buntings would be very suitable birds for your aviary. A dozen cocks would do nicely, and if you had the following they would make a nice collection, and you would get a good deal of song from them: Linnet, Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Greenfinch, Siskin, Twite, Redpoll, Yellow Bunting, Cirl Bunting, Reed Bunting and Chaffinch. If for any reason you are unable to get all these, have a couple of Linnets or Goldfinches. You may possibly have some difficulty in getting a Cirl Bunting, but on no account leave out the Yellow and the Reed, these are very desirable.

HAND-REARED WHITETHROATS (F.G.H.).—Watch the nest and take the young just as they commence to shoot the quill feathers, and the eyes are opening. If you have access to the nest daily you could leave them a little later by commencing to hand-feed a few days before removing them. The nest is a rather flimsy construction, and should be placed in a suitable box or basket packed with hay. For the first few days feed every hour except at midday, when the intervals between the feeding times may be lengthened. Make a mixture of hard-boiled egg, stale sponge cake and ants' eggs or insectile food. Take a certain quantity of this and make rather sloppy with fresh new milk. Do not cram or overfeed them, just pack nicely so that they are contented. Occasionally mix a pinch of fine grit with the food. Give green fly, house flies, small caterpillars or any other tiny insects procurable, also a few live ants' eggs, which are capital food for them. When they can feed themselves, gradually work them on to best quality insectile food. Remember these Lesser Whitethroats are rather delicate birds, and require great care in hand feeding. The main thing is to see that all food is perfectly fresh and sweet and that they are kept nice and warm, particularly at night, and fed regularly. The first meal should be at daylight, and the last at sundown.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

MACAW WITH OVERGROWN BEAK (E. B. H.).—If the beak is abnormally long it must be filed or nipped off; if you cut too far back it makes it bleed, but putting a little Friar's balsam on the end will soon check this. It is difficult to give a definite pronouncement over the crop, but if it is unusually noticeable then it is not normal, and you had better let a vet. see it and diagnose what is wrong. I should give it several doses of Dinneford's magnesia, say four, with two days between each dose (one teaspoonful in the drinking water), this will correct but not unduly purge. Put a little honey and borax on its tongue (in its mouth) daily so long as the box lasts. Give the boiled maize fairly regularly, and put ten drops of cod-liver oil emulsion over each supply, this will help to feed the bird up. Hemp and sunflower seeds can be given liberally. Give the cod-liver oil emulsion daily, either on sponge-cake or the boiled maize. The dietary is satisfactory. If it cares for sultana plums such are quite legitimate. Barcelona, monkey, and walnuts may all be given liberally, but I should restrict the brazil nuts to one per diem. Report progress in two or three weeks, but continue the treatment regularly for a month at least. You can give the cod-liver oil emulsion daily for that or a longer period without fear. When reporting progress please fully describe its general symptoms and demeanour.

SICK COCKATEEL (F. J. H.).—Providing it does not distress the bird too much you could catch it and give it two or three drops of the cod-liver oil emulsion direct to the mouth daily, but unless it is a tame bird the scare of catching will nullify any good the remedy might do. Continue to treat as already advised for another fourteen days, then report again. It is impossible to say what the trouble actually is without seeing the bird, but when I get your next report I can form an opinion as to whether it is any use continuing to treat it or kinder to painlessly destroy it. It is too late to move the Cardinal if it has been infected by the Cockateel, but if there are other apparently healthy birds in the cage, you had better remove them. The Cardinal will do well on the same treatment, but it should have ripe fruit and occasional insects. I opine it is a case of senile decay with the Lovebirds. It is very creditable to you to have kept the Lovebirds for so many years.

WHAT PARROT? (An old Reader).—It is a Rosate Cockatoo. It should be fed on a mixture of giant Spanish canary seed, oats, dari, hemp, wheat, and sunflower seeds, the whole to be well mixed and then a quart of shelled monkey nuts added to each gallon of the mixture; again mix, and it is ready for use. In addition supply biscuits, stale crusts, green food, ripe fruit, and other nuts, grit, cuttlebone, and water must continually be in the cage, also a thick piece of a branch for the bird to exercise its mandibles upon. A good many individuals do not talk at all, more only a little, while a few become really talented. Talk to it, make a fuss of it, keep it where it will have plenty of company, yet withal not get scared, and it will ultimately prove responsive to some degree. They are fine acrobats and make droll pets even if they do not become very talkative.

RE-PAIRING BUDGERIGARS (F. J. Boulton).—Budgerigar breeders ought to ring their stock pairs, each pair with a different coloured ring, then such a difficulty as yours would never arise. I suggest making a rough box cage with a division in the middle, put one of the cocks in one compartment and leave door open of the other, his mate will try to get to him, and should be easily captured. If you happen to have several canary double-breeding cages the matter should be fairly simple. Otherwise you must catch all the birds up and put them in a cage when the pairs will mostly sit together on the perches, and it must depend on the keenness of your vision to follow their movements and catch them up pair by pair. If the young birds have moulted then there is no difference between them and the adults, but if they are this season's young then there will be no difficulty, as a little observation will show you.

WHAT PARROT? (Haddock).—It is an Indian Ring-necked Parrakeet and a cock bird, as the female has no neck-ring. Milk sop is altogether wrong, the dietary should consist of seed mixture, green-food, ripe fruit, nuts, and stale crusts, and pieces of biscuit. The bird may refuse some of these items, and while they tend to vary the dietary, if the bird refuses all else besides seed mixture and fruit it will do well thereon. A pair of these birds were recently advertised at 15s. the pair, but a talking male in good feather and that does not scream much has fetched anything from 40s. to 80s., but the latter price would only be given for a really talented bird.

WHAT BIRDS? (Zehra).—Your sketches make it quite easy to name your birds. No. 1, Taha Weaver, The wording of the schedule would fix the class, as a rule, the birds are all named in the common class, and unless it was so named I should not care to include in the common class. No 2 is a Heck's Long-tailed Grassfinch (Poephila hecki), the Long-tailed Grassfinch (P. Acuticauda) has a yellow beak. No. 3 is the Masked Grassfinch (Poephila personata). All three interesting and beautiful.

WHAT AFRICAN SPECIES? (Wyburn).—Your description is altogether too vague, there are numbers of African species that would fit. Are there no variegations on the back and wings? Is the tail long or short? What are the markings on the sides of the head (face)? I cannot help you unless you can give me a fuller description. I will keep your query by me awaiting your further details.

GETTING PARROT ON TO HARD SEED (J.H.).—You will, of course, keep a tin each of boiled maize and dry seed mixture in the cage. Then you could partly fill one of the tins with dry seed and put a little boiled maize in the top of same. Even when it is eating dry seed freely you must not stop the boiled maize too suddenly, it must be gradually weaned from same. You had better get our Grey Parrot Nutshell, 2½d. post free from our manager, it will give you full details. In addition to seed supply it with ripe fruit, shelled nuts, biscuit, stale crusts, and plain cake. Grit, cuttlebone, and water must continually be in the cage, also a thick piece of a branch for the bird to exercise its mandibles upon.

BUDGERIGARS NOT BREEDING (J.S.).—You are treating them quite correctly, and it is merely a case of them settling down, once a brood has been reared you will have no further difficulty. They are now moulting and are not in breeding condition, but seeing that the season in captivity does not terminate till September or October, there is plenty of time for you to pull off a brood yet. It might stimulate them if you had another cage, containing another pair of either the yellow or green varieties standing near them, each pair within sight of the other; though not caged together; seeing each other's operation may act as a stimulant to breeding activity for both pairs.

A PROSPECTIVE AVIARY (L. Grayson).—The place "22 long—15 high—14 deep" (I presume the figures stand for feet) would certainly do for Budgerigars and other Parrakeets. Your best course will be to send me a ground plan and elevation, showing where the partitions are placed, and also mark out on ground plan the space you could give for flight. You could use the spare room for a similar purpose. You had better send me a plan of this also, marking out on plan, the positions of door, fire-place, and window; also give the aspects of the outdoor place and the spare room. If you enclose a stamped, addressed envelope I will send you a rough plan to work from and state which would best serve your purpose.

COCKATOO AND CHAIN (Cockie).—(1) Yes, you could put an ordinary Parrot-chain on your Cockatoo and either chain it to an upright stand or to a stake in the ground if you so preferred, but a chained Cockatoo should only be so fastened up when you are in the garden, as though well able to render a good account of itself against any cat, yet with its liberty curtailed it might easily be taken by surprise and at a disadvantage. (2) It is one of the races of Ring-necked Parrakeets, very similar to an Alexandrine.

SUMMER-HOUSE FOR BUDGERIGARS (A.M.C.).—If you have the interior of the summer-house well washed down with strong soda-water and then give it a coat of limewash (made from fresh lime, not whiting) it should be perfectly safe for you to use the summer-house for Budgerigars. All glass must be covered with wire netting on the inside, and it is well to arrange small hinged doors by which the food and water vessels can be attended to from the outside, so that it will only be necessary to go inside occasionally for cleaning purposes. It would be best to fix fine mesh wire netting 18 inches into the ground all round the summer-house to prevent vermin burrowing their way in. Have only tree branches for perching and roosting accommodation, and fix or hang up at least double the number of nesting husks or barrels that you have pairs of birds.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

F.M.G.—Apoplexy of the lungs.

Rex Cliff.—Canary died as the result of a fit.

A.M.F., Novice.—Hæmorrhage of the lungs following congestion, and contributed to by the hot weather.

Mr. D. Eadie.—I have misplaced notes re Goldfinch, about which I wrote you a report last week, so have to trust a great deal to memory. Necrosis of the lungs was the cause of death if I remember correctly, the disease had been in existence several weeks. Why not send your client my report giving full details.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Alfreton C.B.S.—June 12, Red Lion Hotel, 3.30. First N.F. Show, birds staged 3; judge, Mr. J. Simms.—G. Beardall.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—June 12, Miner's Theatre, Ashington, 7.30. Special meeting to consider F.F. Show, colour feed, subs.; new members invited.—C. F. Tapson

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—June 16, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8.30. Ten minutes papers on reasons for keeping different varieties of birds, by Messrs. C. Leah, G. Illingworth, G. Forster, and W. Drinkwater.—C. Bailey.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—June 15, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel-st., 8. Lecture by Mr. H. Boothman; show business.—J. Spencer.

Barry F. and F.S.—June 12, Headquarters, 8. Lecture by G. R. Rowlands, of Cardiff, with a judging competition.—H. P. Thomas.

Bradford West C.B.A.—June 12, Shoulder of Mutton, 7. Important.—F. P. Terry.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—June 12, Social Club, 7.—H. Seely.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—June 12, Victoria Hotel. Members' Show, birds staged 2.30; judge, Mr. J. Wilcock; entries Friday night, 7.30 to 9.—H. Bryant.

Burnhope C.B.S.—June 12, Club Room, 4. Selection of judge for annual show, Dec. 18. Table Show; important; classes: Nor., Bord., Yorks., A.O.V. Can., 1915; same old birds; Linnet, H. or F.M.; Redpoll; A.O. Hardbill; Softbill. Members, let's have a good entry; Mr. G. Lane, South Moor, judge.—J. W. Robson.

Burnley C.B.B.C.—June 12, 5, Moseley-st., F.F. Show; entries close June 11 for breeders' challenge cup; judge, R. Leonard, Nelson.—J. Moorhouse.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—June 14, Church Institute, 60, Paddington-st., W., 8. Discussion on "Some points in bird breeding on which light is required," opened by Mr. G. H. Thurley.—V. Wynn.

Chorley C.B.S.—June 16, Shepherd's Hall, 7.30. Arrangements for F.F. Show; election of judge, and other very important business.—J. H. Welch.

Clydebank C.B.C.—June 17, 81, Kilbowie-rd., 7.45. Final arrangements for F.F. Show.—W. Kane.

City of Bradford O.S.—June 12, Flying Dutchman, 6.30. Classification for Open Show; election of stewart for Members' Show, June 19.—W. Hellawell.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—June 12, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. Important business. Smith and Lees.

East Ham C.B.S.—June 12, East Ham Town Hall, 4. F.F. Show; judge, Mr. H. Norman. F. Onslow.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—June 12, Black Swan. Table show, staging at 3, judge, Mr. J. W. Storey.—A. Walton.

East Ham F.S.—June 17, Earl of Wakefield, 8. Election of auditors for half-yearly report, etc.—W. A. Harwood.

Great Horton O.S.—June 12, Station Hotel, 7. General meeting.—A. W. Hartley.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—June 12. Members' F.F. Show; judge, A. W. Hartley; birds staged 2.30, at Dirkhill Primitive Methodist School Room (Members please note change of place).—A. Firth.

Guisborough Priory C.B.S.—June 12, Wear's Rooms, 3. Staging young stock; discussion on colour feeding, and the purchase of colour food.—A. W. Knaggs.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—June 14, Headquarters, Amethyst Club, 8.30.—R. W. Ford, jun.

Halifax O.S.—June 12. Ramble up Colden Valley, meet at Hebden Bridge tram terminus at 3; friends invited.—H. Clegg.

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Twitterings.

It is reported that Nightingales have been heard this spring in parts of Dorset in which they have hitherto been extremely rare.

Owing to Mr. Jefferies being called to the Colours, I have undertaken the duties of secretary to the Middlesex O.S., writes Mr. R. Cambers, 32, Randolph Road, Southall.

We have been fortunate in securing Mr. Houlton to judge our F.F. show July 10, and Mr. Mundell for old show, Nov. 20, writes J. Morton, Sec. Birkenhead Canary F.A.

Mr. Allen Silver, hon. sec., Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League, writes that he has removed from Streatham High Road to The Laurels, 7, Bampton Road, Forest Hill, S.E.

Will societies who require the patronage of the Open Norwich P.C. kindly let me know before July 3rd, writes Mr. Sam Wilcock, Secretary, 16, Back Manor Street, Eccleshill, Bradford.

Mr. F. A. Green, 54, Caludon Road, Coventry, writes that he has taken over the duties of hon. sec. to the Coventry Godiva C.B.S., and all communications should be addressed accordingly.

The members of the Glasgow and W. of Scotland N.M.B. and F.B.C. will ramble on June 19 to Southfields Estate; meet corner of St. Vincent Street and Renfield Street 2.45. Friends are invited to join.

Societies who desire the patronage of the Y.C.C. of Scotland should send in their applications to the sec., Wm. Priest, 6, Orchard Street, Partick, not later than the beginning of Aug. They will be allocated at meeting Aug. 6.

Messrs. Spratt's Patent, Ltd., as usual provided the benches and saw to the feeding of the dogs at the recent show of the Ladies' Kennel Association. A number of wounded soldiers and sailors availed themselves of an invitation to the show, and were entertained at tea.

Mr. Geo. Reed, late sec. Brandon Colliery C.B.S., sends us a statement as follows, with a request that we publish the same: "This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Brandon Colliery C.B.S., and every satisfaction has been given.—(Signed), W. Anderson, A. Taylor."

In the June issue of the "Avicultural Magazine, the journal of the Avicultural Society, the Duchess of Bedford concludes her "Spring Bird-Notes from Scottish Islands." An instructive article on the winter treatment of foreign birds, with some very instructive deductions from an experience with about 400 specimens, is written by Dr. Lovell-Keays, and among other articles are "Nesting of Jardine's Pigmy Owl," by Miss . Chawner, "Are Birds Deceitful?" by Dr. A. G. Butler, etc.

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The Robin's Breakfast Bacon.

Robins have built their nest in a class-room at Bradford College. The cock bird breakfasts every morning with the secretary, Mr. Money. It likes bacon better than anything else for this meal.

OBITUARY.

MR. A. WELCH (Winchester).

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. W. L. Page, hon. sec., Southampton C.B.S., that I inform you of the death of Mr. Arthur Welch, of Winchester. He had been a member of our society since its commencement, and was an enthusiastic Norwich fancier; he will be missed by the various societies at whose shows he exhibited. Mr. Welch was 36 years of age, and leaves a wife and young daughter, to whom I am sure members of the Southampton C.B.S. will extend their deepest sympathy. Mr. Welch had been ill since early in February, and although he appeared to improve a short time ago he passed away on May 29.

PRIVATE R. LANE, 6th D.L.I.

I am sorry to have to inform you, writes Mr. J. W. Robson, sec. Burnhope C.B.S., of the sad loss to Mr. G. Lane, who has lost his brother, Private R. Lane, 6th Durham Light Infantry, who died at Liverpool. The deceased was through the Boer war, and responded to his country's call in the present war. He had his leg blown off at Hill 60, and died six weeks afterwards, and was buried at West Auckland. I am sure friends in Stanley and district give their sympathy to Mr. G. Lane, and the widow and four children left by the deceased soldier.

MR. WILLIAM ROLLAND (Dunfermline).

By the death of William Rolland Dunfermline has lost its veteran fancier, writes Mr. R. T. Campbell, sec. Dunfermline C.B.S. Few were more respected in the Fancy in the district than "Auld Wullie." Of a quiet unpretending disposition, he was a man of few words, but one whose opinion on all subjects pertaining to our hobby demanded respect. While acting as President of our Society, his duties of chairmanship were performed ungrudgingly, and his rulings were always unbiassed. His spare time was wholly devoted to the care of his birds, and many a good British did he have through his hands. A good Linnet or Goldfinch seemed to appeal to him most, and right well did he know one at first sight. He was a real, typical old Scot, an enthusiastic admirer and student of the National Bard, and a keen and clever draught player. Blessed with a good memory, his reminiscences of his early days in the Fancy were always brimful of interest. I know I voice the feelings of our members and of those in the Fancy in general who came in touch with this venerable soul, in expressing to his two sisters our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

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A Persevering Thrush.

"L. A. J.," in the "Glasgow Evening Citizen," tells of a Song Thrush who began to build on Mar. 29 last, hatched four young by April 14, repaired her nest and sat again by May 4, and, on this nest being destroyed by some enemy, built a third nest and began to sit for the third time on May 23.

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In the saloon of a fishing smack, "The Peace," of West Mersea, which has been laid up for a few weeks, Wagtails have completed two nests, and have begun a third, in enamelled tin mugs. One of the completed nests has five eggs in it.

The Long Arm of Coincidence.

The winter of 1913-14 was marked by an extraordinary irruption into England of the Waxwing, a bird which has long had the reputation of being the harbinger of war and famine. On the Continent it also spread in immense flocks, and throughout Germany and Russia its presence was most noticeable. The circumstance will doubtless go far to uphold the tradition which has caused this beautiful bird to be known throughout northern Europe by names equivalent to bird of war or pestilence.

The Latest of All.

The last of our summer migrants, the Marsh Warbler, has lately reported himself, says "S" in the "Manchester Guardian," and is now singing exquisitely in his favourite osiers. In the oppressive and motionless air preceding a thunderstorm last evening, the monotonous notes of the Grasshopper Warbler reached my ears. I had not previously heard him this year, and it seemed as if the bird had come into existence to express the magnetic tension and suspense of the moment, which left the very aspen leaves unmoved.

A Confiding Missel Thrush.

A short time ago I found in a pear tree in my orchard a Missel Thrush's nest. As you know, the Missel Thrush is a very shy bird, but this bird allowed me to stroke and pat her while she was sitting her eggs, and for a week after hatching I daily visited the nest and stroked her, and not once during my doing so did she fly away. I have also either a Wren's or a Tom Tit's nest, which I found made in a 2lb. jam pot, the pot was on its side on a rubbish heap, and the nest was beautifully made inside, but no eggs in it. I may say that I have the jar and nest in my possession.—John Goodwin, Old Colwyn.

Mr. Longden Happily Recovering.

The many friends of Mr. D. A. S. Longden (Swansea) will be glad to hear that his health is much improved, and that he is now on the road to recovery. For some weeks his life was despaired of, but I am pleased to say that when I saw him last week there was a marked improvement in his condition. Mr. Longden has been a tower of strength to the Fancy in Wales for a great number of years, and I am sure all Welsh fanciers, with a host of fancier friends outside the principality, will join with me in wishing him a speedy and complete recovery. Mr. Longden wishes me to thank the many friends who have sent kind enquiries during his illness. At present he is unable to reply to them, but later on hopes to do so.—S. J. Nicholas (Swansea).

The Fruits of Dependence.

Characterising Sparrows as parasites on man, the "Times" says: "More than any other birds, they have lost the clean precision of natural habit by persistent familiarity with human dwellings. There are now no perfectly wild Sparrows. They always nest near inhabited buildings, if not actually upon them; and the nests have such a slovenly diversity in shape, material, and situation that we can only make an uncertain guess at their original structure, when the Sparrow was still a wild bird. The result upon the Sparrow has not been happy, except from a purely material standpoint; the Sparrow has clearly suffered in character from his dependent status; he is prompt to seize a momentary advantage, but devoid of the measure of far-sightedness which we find in the Raven or the Magpie. He is the only bird that can justly be called vulgar—not because he is noisy or self-assertive or dirty in his tastes and habits, as many wild birds are, but because his real nature has become hopelessly overlaid by acquired habits. He is sufficiently humanized to mirror a human weakness."

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ARE OUR JUDGING METHODS ANTIQUATED?

By R. BLINCOE (Rochdale).

(Continued from p. 295.)

A well-known fancier suggests points judging as an innovation that would add interest to our hobby, and help on the novices.

IT will be obvious how impossible it would be for any judge to ignore the standard, if this system were adopted, and how much more interesting and instructive it would be to follow his judging than is now the case. I have often found experienced and well-known fanciers quite unable to say with any certainty for what reason a bird has been put up or down. This is not as it should be. By this method you are *comparing each bird with the ideal*, and not with the other birds in the class, and it is only when the net points are compared that the winners are apparent. In our judging competitions we had only one bird on the table at a time, and there was surprisingly little difference of opinion at the finish.

One great difficulty is that judging by points is unpopular with some judges, which is perhaps natural, for even with competent judges it adds to their responsibilities, and, as one very candid gentleman remarked to me, "It's all right with those varieties you know, but you can't do it with those you don't," a remark which should set exhibitors thinking.

I think, however, that really competent men would soon lose their objections after getting accustomed to it; it would certainly enable them to give their real opinion of "Birds in the making," as Mr. Allsopp puts it, which they may be obliged to put up through want of competition, and it would prevent such birds from being foisted on the unwary novice as "winners under so and so," etc.

An End to "Fairy Tales."

Incompetent men might probably oppose it to the last, as nothing so certainly and surely shows up a man's incapacity as having to commit himself to a definite statement. It is easier to suggest that a bird was slack, or wild, or had a bath in the water-tin, or any of the other fairy tales to which we have grown accustomed. Of course such things do happen, and if so it would have to be stated on the card at the time, and could not be used as a mere get-out afterwards.

The incomplete nature of some of the present standards forms another but not insuperable difficulty; they would certainly be improved by the societies responsible for them if they found it necessary. This is one of those difficulties that disappear as soon as the job is tackled in earnest; as soon as any body of fanciers found their variety handicapped by a poor standard, they would promptly alter it. Under present conditions no one bothers much about standards, each individual being free to indulge his own particular fad to his heart's content, but with points judging type would become the very first consideration.

The importance of this point will be more readily felt when we consider the well-known fact that almost all fanciers have a tendency to put an *undue* value on anything difficult to obtain. This is all right if kept within reasonable bounds, and the purpose of the standard of perfection is to prevent its being over-done, but if this tendency is allowed to have too free a scope men can gradually train themselves to admire qualities which being neither beautiful nor useful are only appreciated by a "cultured few" who get fewer still as time goes on, for there is little likelihood of the general public being attracted by what are merely fancy properties.

In the Copper Kettle Days.

Perhaps the greatest difficulty of all is to get people to believe that it is worth while to trouble about the matter; yet denunciations are poured on the heads of the novices, etc., for their lack of interest. Some of the older men get quite worked up when on this subject, and love to tell how, when they were novices, they tramped miles to shows, and were well satisfied with a copper kettle, or even a much more trifling prize, and so on.

It would be much more to the point if we tried to adapt ourselves to modern needs, and we find that where this has been done in any branch of fancy or sport, that particular sport has prospered and kept up its popularity.

One of the most striking demands at the present time in any form of competition is that there shall be a substantial prize for those who win, and that the loss shall be small for those who lose, and I think it is safe to say that unless these conditions are fulfilled, particularly the former one, there is no chance of continued popularity. In our shows the very opposite extreme prevails, the prize-money being trifling and the expenses out of all proportion.

This state of things is brought about, in my opinion, by over-classification; in order to give a fair chance under present conditions, a class for almost every possible variation has to be provided, and, to make matters worse, we have now a growing demand from novices for a full classification for themselves. Then comes a demand for amateur classes, and if we go on like this there will soon be as many classes as birds. It is of course obvious that with few entries per class and many classes prize money will grow smaller and smaller, and to find specials alone constitutes a great drain on societies.

Justice for Common Species.

This extraordinary demand for so many classes is, in my opinion, brought about by the system of judging, for it has grown to be a general practice to favour certain varieties. In British and Foreign classes it is most unusual to find a common species standing well up in a mixed competition, however good a specimen of its kind it may be, nor in Canary classes will a marked bird beat a clear, or a buff a yellow, unless immeasurably superior.

If the demand for classes were brought about by the increase in birds shown, it would be a natural demand, and could be conceded to without decreasing prize money or lessening competition, but when it simply is due to want of confidence in the manner of judging, it is in my opinion responsible for most of the troubles affecting the Fancy to-day.

Keep the Ball Rolling.

Surely it is well worth while to take a little extra trouble if by doing so we can revive interest in our hobby, which would never have been able to survive if a natural liking for birds were not strongly implanted in many men's natures. This being the case, it follows that if it is not so popular as in times gone by (?) there must be some sound reason for it. It is for us to find out what it is, and make alterations to suit.

I notice one significant fact: The men who give up the bird fancy for other hobbies do not go in for any of the things that are said to be ousting us from popularity. On the contrary, they generally go in for some kindred hobby, such as fowls, pigeons, or dogs, where they can indulge in the same natural tastes and still get a bit of their own back.

I will conclude my advocacy of the system I have herein suggested by trusting that some more prominent fancier than myself may take the matter up and put his influence into the scale.

THE MYSTERY OF "BIRD FEVER."

By W. VALE, F.Z.S., &c. (South Norwood).

(Contd. from p. 247.

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases, "How to Feed Canaries," e c.

THE immediate cause of septic fever, the so-called bird fever, is a ferment, which, like all ferments, multiplies under favourable conditions at a prodigious rate. A temperature above the normal may be favourable to its reproduction, but this depends upon the composition of the blood of the creature attacked, its previous diet, and the condition of its kidneys. The immediately exciting cause of the disease may be a chill of the kidneys, causing them to become congested. When the kidneys are congested they would naturally fail to efficiently perform their natural function of ridding the blood of effete matter, and then, when it is overloaded with amyloid matter, a ferment would be set up in it. This would have the effect of thickening the blood so as to be the cause of general congestion. When the liver is congested the process of digestion is arrested, yet the subject may be hungry for food.

Early Symptons.

When birds first become the subjects of septic fever they may be noticed to be going very frequently to the seed box to pick out seed without devouring more than perhaps two or three seeds. They then retire from it and become "heapy," that is, their plumage stands out from their bodies, and their heads are drawn in. Owing to the blood having become thickened, and the excess of urea retained in it, the subject becomes more or less sleepy, and later on stupor sets in, if the bird does not succumb during an earlier stage of the disease. This in many cases is the result of very acute inflammation of the lungs, or of a ruptured vessel in the brain and effusion of blood into it—apoplexy. The vessel gives way owing to weakness due to fatty degeneration and thickening of the blood due to fermentation. In some cases clots are formed in the blood, and are the cause of death from embolism, that is, the plugging of a large blood-vessel leading from the heart, or, when a small vessel has become plugged, loss of power in one wing, or the paralysis of one leg may result.

One bird in an aviary the subject of septic fever may be the cause of all the birds in it perishing within a very short time of each other, if they are predisposed to be destroyed, owing to an unnatural condition of their blood. The chief predisposing causes are feeding with a diet containing an excess of digestible solids, and more especially an excess in proportion to the flesh-forming elements. Every substance devoured of which a portion may enter the blood should rightly be considered as a part of the diet of a creature, even mineral matter, of which, according to circumstances, more or less is required. The bones of a creature are chiefly composed of mineral matter, and during their formation more is required than at any other time, except when the hard shells of eggs have to be formed in a bird. But at any time an excess of mineral matter in the diet is a predisposing cause of disease, including "bird fever," by causing disorganisation of the kidneys. It tends to choke the tubes in the kidneys, and prevent them efficiently performing their natural functions—that is, the elimination of waste matter out of the blood. An excess of digestible solids in the diet also tends to overtax the kidneys.

When there is an excess of cheesy fat-forming matter in the diet this excess is fairly certain to be deposited in the kidneys, so that they gradually become less and less able to efficiently perform their natural functions. The result is a predisposition for a ferment to be set up in the blood, and more especially after a chill. Not only do the kidneys become overloaded, but the liver and spleen, and when a ferment has been set up in the blood the liver and spleen become gorged with dark fluid blood, and as a consequence septic fever is in some cases called splenic fever, the term being applied when decomposition of the spleen has taken place. Birds, however, do not live until that very advanced stage has been reached, as is the case with large animals.

In all cases of septic fever the subjects are in an overfat condition, mostly to the extent of fatty degeneration of the kidneys, liver and spleen, and each is usually very much enlarged, but apparently the chief cause of fatality is a disorganised condition of the kidneys. At least, this is my opinion based on the fact that amongst the hundreds of birds which are annually examined by me after death from septic fever not one has been found with sound kidneys.

A Simple Remedy in Mild Cases.

In advanced cases there is not the slightest chance of a cure being effected, but in mild ones a fourth of a drop of B.P. tincture of aconite may be given every three or four hours until three or four doses have been given, and this treatment may be followed by giving an antiseptic saline mixture which may be prepared by any chemist; the aconite may be given in a few drops of camphor water. The aconite is given to bring down the temperature, and allay the fevered condition, and the antiseptic saline mixture to purify the blood as far as possible, and arrest its decomposition. In mild cases recovery may result from treatment with a saline antiseptic mixture only. In all cases a suitable diet is of very great importance; it is necessary for this to be highly nourishing, but such as will not overtax the kidneys, or digestive organs.

There is not any more certain preventive treatment than a suitable diet. When one understands that the blood is formed from the foodstuffs devoured one must arrive at the conclusion that the composition of the blood must in the first place mainly depend upon the diet supplied to a creature, and in the second place upon the power of the kidneys and other organs to keep it pure. Waste matter from worn-out tissues is constantly being absorbed into the blood, and it is the function of the kidneys and other organs to clear the blood of it. Feeding with an unsuitable diet is a frequent cause of disease, and certainly an aggravation of almost any diseased condition. It is erroneous to suppose that any specific disease is the result of the mere neglect of cleanliness. As a matter of fact, one meets with more cases of septic fever amongst birds kept under ideal conditions as regards the cleanliness of their environments than amongst those which have in this respect been neglected, and this is probably owing to the former having been fed on a much more generous diet as regards the quantity of digestible solids in it.

(To be continued.)

The Qualification of a Novice.

By S. Midgley, sec. of the Yorkshire Union of Cage Bird Societies.

THE above subject was introduced at the last Council meeting of the Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. Before giving the views of the various members present, it may be of interest to quote the rule of the Union governing novice competitors. "A novice is one who has not previously won a novice medal, or a first prize in open classes at any show. Any person residing in the same house as a champion exhibitor shall be debarred from competing as a novice (first prizes in selling classes and first feather shows are not included). This rule shall not apply to novice classes at non-union or members' shows."

For further enlightenment I may say that the Union decides the number of gold medals that will be given for competition for novices at the Yorkshire Union shows. At the first meeting of the newly-elected Council this year the number was fixed at eight, six for Yorkshires and two for Norwich. At the end of the show season exhibitors gaining the highest number of points (four birds to count for each exhibitor) are to be declared the winners.

In introducing the subject the delegates' idea was that something should be done to define the standing of the novice, seeing that some prominent exhibitors remained novices year after year, and the wish was expressed that a small committee be appointed to try to frame a rule to stop these old-fashioned novices from exhibiting at a few shows, and then dropping out. Such were novices according to rule only, and not in the spirit, and this is somewhat of a hardship to the real novice.

Several delegates spoke with regard to novice medal winners not being heard of after winning their medals, and of the difficulty they had to win in the champion classes, especially those who had not bred the birds to win their medal with. Some gave as the reason the champion claiming the novice winners and thus depriving the real novice of his bird, also his opportunity to go forward unless he was prepared to purchase others. Everyone not being able to do so, maybe his chances were put back unless he had a large stud of show birds. The average novice, only possessing a small selection, and being desirous of winning his novice medal with his own bred birds, was disappointed when he had one claimed, for sometimes his chance had gone for that season.

Is the Price Limit a Failure?

One of the older delegates said this had been up before, and especially since the price limit was raised from £3 to £5. You make one to regulate the other, he said, and yet the difficulty still crops up, and if the catalogue price was raised again it would still be the same.

One mentioned the old way of winning three first prizes, and then being declared a champion. This was pointed out as being very unsatisfactory. At the very beginning of the season those who had previously won two may come along and get the third, making it very difficult to form any idea of the number of winners in one season.

The feeling prevailed that the real novice should be given an opportunity of having a good run and a full season, but what was to be done? With those that held back some years ago a sealed competition was inaugurated to draw a given number of shows out at the end of the season, thus leaving the exhibitors in the dark as to how they were going on, no one knowing where points were going to count. They had also divided the season into two parts, those winning medals in the first half coming up into the champion section for the second half.

The question seems full of difficulties, and one must keep in view the societies that run the shows. At the back end of the season the entries seem to fall away, and something to benefit the societies and keep interest would be welcomed. At the conclusion the remark was made "You have a qualification for an amateur; why not for a novice?"

Correspondence.

Singing Finch-Canary Hybrids.

Sir,—In reply to H. Kay in the Correspondence Columns of Cage Birds for June 12 re "Singing Finch-Canary Hybrids," I write to say that I have a splendid specimen of the Green Singing Finch-Canary Hybrid bred last season, 1914, which I purchased from an advertisement in Cage Birds. Being a young one, I colour-fed it before the first moult, and he is now a fine bird, showing well both parentages. It is a very active bird and a capital songster, and is rather larger than a cock green Singing-Finch. Two were advertised, and I wrote for both, but the other one was not old enough to send. My bird has one or two light feathers in tail.

F. J. Weaire.

The Breast Colour of Caged Linnets.

Sir.—I should be grateful for any observations from your readers respecting the plumage of the common brown Linnet in captivity. I hear on every hand that his rosy breast and cap disappear after the first moult, for reasons variously attributed to questions of sex, diet, and the absence of liberty.

In October, 1913, I bought two cock Linnets, neither had the slightest suspicion of rose colour, in fact the two were almost indistinguishable. About the end of December last year, one of them began to show flecks of colour upon his breast, and these throughout January spread and deepened in colour until now his breast is entirely covered a rich brownish-crimson, and his head is marked in a somewhat lesser degree. The two Linnets have had for companions a Lesser Redpoll and a Siskin—both cocks—and have been kept in the house in a cage about 16 x 30 inches in size. They have all fed from a common trough, and the other Linnet is as brown as when I bought him. Any information upon this interesting matter would be acceptable.

E. G.

Strange Relations.

A Parrot Hatches a Fowl's Egg.

Sir,—Mr. G. Pledge, of Bermondsey Settlement Lodge, London, S.E., bought a female Rock Parrot from Messrs. De Von and Co., Bethnal Green Road, some eight or nine years ago, and this season it has laid two eggs, which of course were not fertile. The owner of the bird, seeing it wished to sit them, purchased two fowls' eggs from an egg-shop, picking out the smallest he could find. He substituted these fowls' eggs for the Parrot's, and one chick was hatched. It is now five days old, and the Parrot mothers it with the greatest fondness. The foster-mother and child are both doing well, and can be seen at the above address. I have asked the owner to have them photographed and send a print on to you.

Chas. Harris.

The Craze for Size in Norwich Plainheads.

Sir.—I should like to correct the note made by Mr. Allsopp in your issue of June 5, where I appear to hold up the Cinnamon as an example of size attained without recourse to alien blood; this is not the view I wish the young fancier to take. I explained why I considered the Norwich was not in need of an outside cross as an aid to size, and showed that size was obtained in other varieties by selection, but did not say how. Old fanciers know these breeds were built up gradually, all birds of their particular variety not showing improvement on their old stock being disposed of whenever possible. No doubt the Norwich Plainhead of good size was as eagerly searched for in those days as is the case today by breeders whose stock is lacking in that very essential property. We all know there are some breeders of every variety who produce anything and everything they can get, who never think of discarding small birds or birds with long ugly beaks, small narrow heads, long thin necks and bodies, hunching backs, stilty legs, rough feathers, long flights and tails; birds that have been ill during the preceding moult and through the winter, bad layers, sitters and feeders. These breeders of the weaklings and undesirables gradually pull down their particular fancy year by year, distributing their specimens to all parts and incidentally causing others to breed more wasters which go further down the social scale of Canary life until this or that variety is in danger of extinction. This is the class of breeder who is in most need of information. The initiated does not need it; if he cannot act up to his knowledge, no information is of service, as he will go his own way; but to the breeder who is willing, and will act up to the standard required for progress, not only do we give help, but save further deterioration in stock.

A. B. Brown.

Judging to Standard.

Sir,—I read with interest Mr. G. M. Davey's article on the Crested Canary and its breeding, and as a starter in this breed I am pleased to say I have bred this year a Clear-body Dark-crest from a very good pair; he is a cock and doing well for himself. I think it is a great pity that fanciers resort to personalities when writing about different breeds; we want to know how the birds are bred, not the personal differences of breeders. I also think that if societies would select judges who have the courage of their convictions, fanciers would stand by them, knowing their birds would be judged according to standard. I have kept British birds and Canaries during twenty-five years, ever since as a boy I saved my pennies and gave seven and six for a Goldfinch in a fancier's shop in West Norwood, and I have visited shows, both North and South, as business permitted. At the shows I have often heard the remark from fanciers that you should show that bird under so and so; he likes this or that. If exhibits were judged according to the standard drawn up, exhibitors would know what to breed, and have confidence in showing.

R. Williamson.

The Proposed Amalgamated Show at Sheffield.

Sir,—In Cage Birds of June 5 I observe a report of a meeting mentioning all the local societies and excluding the Sheffield O.S. For the interest of the local fanciers it will perhaps be advisable for me to explain the circumstances. At the commencement of the year we received a communication from the Sheffield C.B.S. informing us that it had been suggested that an amalgamated show be held in Sheffield for the benefit of some local charity, and run on the lines as follows: That each society be represented by three delegates, who should act as a committee for the working of the show, all those participating to stand equal shares to make up the deficit, if any, also that no fancier could exhibit unless his society was taking a share of the possible loss. This letter was discussed in committee, and it was decided that we do not take any active part, but support the venture to the utmost. If the Sheffield C.B.S. wanted to be charitable, why not have adopted the lines on which we ran a similar show last November, when we made a bumping profit for the local relief fund. We did not ask for assistance, neither did we ask any society to stand by us in case of loss; we ran it entirely on our own responsibility, with our own committee and officials, and gave the members of other societies the privilege to exhibit. A rather amusing feature is that the date fixed for this charitable venture is Oct. 30, the Saturday before our All-England show, which takes place on Nov. 5 and 6, and will be held as fixed, that is, if we are still British. Was it done with an idea of being detrimental to the S.O.S. venture? If so, I am afraid it will cause a great disappointment to the Amalgamated officials. I can assure you the Sheffield O.S. is going as strong as ever, and will hold a record show in November, and no doubt increase the bank balance of £71, a balance which no other society can boast of.

J. A. T. Woodall, Vice-Chair.

Good Intentions Frustrated.

English Roller Breeding as a Solace.

Sir,—It is now a little more than twelve months ago since I wrote you that letter in reference to "Obtaining sunshine by the aid of Mirrors." As I look back, I think how rapidly times have changed since then. At the outbreak of war I began to see first one and then another fellow fancier and workmate leaving for the war stations of the various regiments, and by the end of the first month, (August, 1914) I found I could stand it no longer, so, although I am 37 to-day, June 14, and have a wife and four kiddies, I gave up my situation and joined the 7th H.L.I. This meant selling, or rather giving away, most of my stock of Foreigners and British. I signed for four years' foreign service, but, alas, fate decreed that I was not to go to war. After being mobilized for six months, my feet and ankles gave way, and I was sent home as unfit; not very pleasant for me, but I couldn't do more, so now I must get my solace from my old friends the birds. This time I intend to devote the whole of my hobby to the breeding of a good strain of British-bred Rollers, as I feel sure in a few years' time they will be a very profitable as well as pleasant hobby, and I hope the fanciers of to-day who, like myself, are to remain at home, will do their best to encourage the breeding of this beautiful little songster.

I should very much like to know if any of my fellow readers of Cage Birds have ever bred Bullies in a large cage indoors. I am trying with a pair of very steady birds in a box-cage about 4ft. x 2ft. I have actually seen them tread, so have fitted it up with imitation shrubs, etc. I have put some soil in one end, and scattered some seeds into it; they seem quite steady and business-like in their present surroundings. Of course, it is just a fancy I took to try them, and if there are any results I'll let you "ken," as they say in Scotland.

I must close by wishing every success to dear old Cage Birds, sincerely hoping it will continue to flourish.

Stanley Dare.

Concerning the Cuckoo.

Sir,—In the correspondence columns of the June 5 issue of Cage Birds I notice that "Bird Keeper" asks a question as to the exhibiting of Cuckoos, and I also should be glad to know if it is possible to keep a Cuckoo in health in captivity for three years, as stated in "Country Life."

Exhibitor.

[It is certainly "possible" to keep a Cuckoo; whether the task is an enviable one is another matter. One of our readers, Mrs. Sergeant, has kept the species successfully, and has often recounted her experiences. As to their being "very frequently" exhibited, the statement may be said to err on the side of frequency. We have a dim recollection of once seeing a Cuckoo at an exhibition, but we are not quite certain of this. We have certainly not seen them "very frequently."—Editor, "C.B."]

Proposed Fanciers' Protection Association.

Sir,—I am greatly interested in the above scheme, as I think it is time something was done to put a stop to the practices carried on by some. Now the deposit system adopted by Cage Birds is very good, but say a certain fancier is advertising some of his stock in this week's issue, the first P.O.'s that arrive get the birds. By adopting the deposit system, your letter would be a day later, and dealers don't like to have to wait for their money. The only satisfaction you have is knowing that you have not been taken in. I shall only be too pleased to become a member of the above. I wish it every success.

Dartford.

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BIRD LIFE IN THE FIRING LINE.

Thrush Removes Her Young Under Fire.

Sir.—Capt. H. R. Wilson, 5th Durham L.I., writes to "The Field" as follows: "We were in an ordinary fire trench and under a pretty constant shell and rifle fire. About 15 yards to the right rear of the right flank of the trench I noticed in a small tree a Thrush's nest full of young birds, about four days old. The hen bird was flying backwards and forwards, and what surprised me was that she did not feed them although they were hungry. I watched the old bird's movements, and after one or two more journeys she picked a young one up in her beak and flew away with it out of sight, returning quickly and taking the others away one by one. Whether she had prepared another nest for them or not I do not know." This seems to me to be the most curious of the many strange actions of birds at the front of which we have been lately hearing. I should be glad to know if anyone has ever before known a Thrush to carry her young.

Avis.

Blackbirds Reared in a Battery.

Sir.—The various letters which have appeared in Cage Birds telling of the indifference of wild birds to the terrific cannonading going on all around them have been so interesting that I am sure readers of our paper will like to know of the following letter sent by an English officer to the "Field":—

"A battery of howitzers has been in action here in the same position for some months in an orchard. A Blackbird built a nest actually on the sand bag parapet surrounding one of the guns, and although this gun has been constantly fired, she has successfully hatched out her eggs. This nest is within a yard of the muzzle of the gun. About ten yards in the rear of the same gun a Blackcap is sitting on eggs in a hollow tree stump. A little further off on the right of the battery a Wren built a nest within the perch of an ammunition waggon. When the nest was first built, this waggon was in action with its section a quarter of a mile further down the road. Subsequently, this section changed position, and came into action in its present place, the Wrens and their nest coming along with it. All the birds in the neighbourhood seem so accustomed to the noise now that they take no notice of it. The following birds I have seen within rifle range of the German trenches:—Blackbird, Yellow Bunting, Sparrow, Pigeon, Wren, Tits, Lark, Rook, Hooded Crow, Jackdaw, Magpie, Mallard, Teal, Moorhen, Redshank, Cuckoo, Golden Oriole, Kestrel, Starling, Blackcap, and Partridge."

An Old Reader.

It is rather a delightful picture, says a correspondent to "The Times," that we have revealed to us now and then, in letters from the front, of the men in the trenches making friends with the small birds which begin more and more to be their companions as the spring comes on. Skylarks, running over the ground, Robins, most cheeky and friendly of all their kind, Blackbirds, and many more seem to be doing their best, in some parts of the far-flung line, to cheer a monotony that must be very trying. Their indifference to the firing, to the almost constant sound of the big field guns coming from afar and the more occasional snapping of the rifles close to hand, seems to be the point that strikes the writers most forcibly.

The Robins perch on the trenches' edge, they are tempted into the very trenches themselves, to have a share of the rations. "Came and perched on my bayonet, the little beggar did," as one of the soldiers said, "when I put it up out of the trench—just the same as a Christmas card." Sometimes in course of a heavy cannonading the Skylarks, high in the sky through which the shells are hurtling, go singing as if their ambition were to drown the noise of the bombardment.

There is nothing at all abnormal, nothing that should surprise us, about this indifference of the birds to a great noise to which they have become accustomed. For that is all that the incessant firing means to them. We are so apt to associate guns with the killing of birds that we are disposed to think that the birds must have the like association in their minds. But really we do not need to go to the battlefields to prove that this association has no existence for them. Those of us who have lain crouched behind a moor dyke to shoot the grouse coming in to feed on the corn stooks of a field that is next neighbour to the heather will know that, so long as the birds do not catch sight of us, we may often go on killing bird after bird till we have made an absolute end of all that are feeding within range.

Mere noise has very little terror for birds, as we may see by the confidence with which a Thrush will continue sitting on her nest on the side of a railway cutting while an express train goes by at 60 miles an hour. This year it has been noticed in the Midlands that there are many more than usual of the Green Plover—that kindly bird which lays for us the "Plovers' eggs." It is not to be doubted that they are there because they have found their usual nesting grounds on the plains of Flanders in the occupation of great armies. It is not the guns, but the men, that have made them come to us for some domestic peace. We have yet to see in what way and to what extent the spring migrations of birds to this country are affected by all the fearful events in Europe.

But though the birds soon grow indifferent to the noise of firing, there is much evidence that they are keenly sensitive to the impact of big air-waves. When the Zeppelins paid their first visit to Norfolk in January the birds, always most susceptible to alarm after nightfall, were roused from their slumber and began a most singular and insistent clamour. Pheasants, Blackbirds, all kinds, seemed to join in it, and this sudden outcry of scared birds was heard in places so far away from the Zeppelins' line of travel that the human ear would not catch the sound of the big engines at all.

Some unusual disturbance of the atmosphere appealed to the more delicate senses of the birds, though man's nerves were not finely enough tuned to respond to it. And now and then, in that firing line where they sing and play so fearlessly, the little friends of our soldiers, the Robins and the others, have to pay the penalty that is inseparable from sensibility too keenly set. It hardly ever happens that they are struck by bullet or shrapnel, but what does occur is that they come within the area of violent air vibration caused by a bursting shell and suffer death by the concussion.

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Singing Contests.

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FEATHERSTONE.

Open Linnet contest Featherstone Hotel, with some good singing. 1, 2, 3, Bull, 110, 104, 98 (no date given, and the report is unsigned.—Editor "C.B.")

KIPPAX.

Open sing Commercial Hotel, June 12; 35 entered for three prizes. 1, Scott; 2, Cooper; 4, Plows. Only one second divided 2 and 3. Timekeepers, O. Potter and Fauldy; tappers, E. Smith and Private Bath of the R.A.M.C. E. Atkinson, one of our members, was on furlough and entered four of his birds.—R. Plows, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest Woodman Inn, club sing, June 5; 18 entered for three prizes, four minutes' time singing. 1, Beard; 2, Wingham; 3, Pugh. Open sing June 6; 41 entered for four prizes, three minutes' time singing. 1, Nelson; 2, Pugh; 3, Blackshear; 4, Beard. Club sing June 12; 23 entered for three prizes, four minutes' time singing. 1, Beard; 2, Blackshear; 3, Pugh. Open sing June 13; 41 entered for four prizes, threo minutes' time singing. 1, Nelson; 2, 3, shared Beard and Scotson; 4, Pugh.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEEDS.

Quality singing for Linnets Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Buslingthorpe, June 12. 1, Binns; 2, King; 3, Hullen. June 13, 29 birds sang for good prizes. 1, Dolten; 2, Lunn; 3, Binns. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton, J. Granger.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

June 13, open contest for quality Linnet singing Pressers Arms, Wardsworth-street, Kirkstall-road; 17 birds faced the judges before a crowded house, and some very good singing was heard. 1, Lipman; 2, 3, Towers. J. Sellers and G. Horsfall judged.—W. Smith, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Quality Singing Linnet Club, Skinner-lane, Leeds. Singing contest June 12, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner-lane; 25 birds were hung. H. Hayes, J. Wright, C. Lorriman judges. 1, Turner; 2, Booth; 3, Hayes. June 12, one of the best matches of the season; 30 birds contested. Tom Summers Pat Madden and N. Solman judged. 1, 2, Turner; 3, Chipendale; 4, Parkinson. We are starting giving marks on June 20 for two medals.—F. Turner, Sec.

Linnet contests Clarence Hotel, Skinner-lane, June 12; 24 competed. 1, Wigfield; 2, Cooper; 3, Lorence; 4, Towes. Judges, T. Butterfield, Playford; timekeeper, Bryan. June 13, 16 competed. 1, Johnson; 2, Hodgson; 3 shared Cooper and Wigfield. Judges, C. Biss, Butterfield. June 20 there will be a contest for 20 birds or over; a silver medal will be given to the winner by Mr. Rushworth.—A. Lorence, Sec. (See notice above as to forthcoming contests.—Ed.)

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-road. Open contest for quality June 12; 21 sang for three prizes. 1, Buttery; 2, Siesons; 3, Richardson. Judges, Crane, Madden, Wood. June 13, 24 sang for four prizes. 1, Buttery; 2, Richardson; 3, Sissons; 4, Ward. Judges, Jennings and Hardcastle.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Club Reports.

LONDON C.B.A.

Meeting June 8, "El Vino," Piccadilly-place. General business. Mr. A. Silver's and Mr. Dewhurst' lectures were unavoidably postponed till July meeting. Young bird show will be held July 8. Sec. will gratefully acknowledge all specials sent to him at 192, Mare-street, Hackney.—A. Wallington.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.

Meeting, June 15, with a good attendance, Mr. Massey chair. The breeding results of the members are very good. Messrs, Lyons, Waring and Massey were selected as judges at the open contest, Jan. 7 and 8., and Mr. Massey judge for members' contest on Nov. 6.—Jos. Kilshaw, Sec.

BURNLEY C.B.S.

F F show June 12. Cl. Yell. Nor.: 1, T. Lingard; 2, Todd. Tkd. or Var.: 1, Edmondson; 2, Shorrocks. Cl. Buff: 1, Edmondson; 2, Broxup; 3, hc, Wilkinson; vhc, Hayhurst; c, Spencer. Tkd. or Var. Buff: 1, Lingard; 2, Broxup; 3, Wilkinson, vhc, Edmondson; hc, Hayhurst; c, Shorrocks Mr. T. Lingard won breeders' challenge cup and gold medal value one guinea.—Jas. Moorhouse, Sec.

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ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting June 10. Owing to the president being unavoidably late, Mr. Hollingsworth presided over the early part of the meeting. We have had to again alter the date of our N.F. show to July 17 as we could not have the room for the 10th. Decided to hold a table show at next meeting, and we trust that all members who can will bring birds. We made two new members.—E. Johnson, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR (Social Club).

Meeting June 6, Mr. Taylor chair, with a good turn-up of members. The main business was to confirm schedule; decided to have 34 classes for annual show, Nov. 6 and 7. Also decided to run Mr. Taylor, our worthy chairman, for the managing board. Some of our members have had hard luck in breeding, and have not got a single bird.—Geo. Lane, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting June 9, Porth Hotel, one of the very best meetings we have ever had; Mr. Bevan chair. A lot of show business was gone through. Mr. Bevan was elected sec.; Mr. Bevan's resignation as chairman was accepted, also Mr. 'Jones' as sec. Mr. Hillman was elected chairman. It is hoped that our young bird show will be good one; we are promised about 60 entries. Now, members, stick together and help one another to make the society one of the best.—J. S. Jones, late sec.

GT. HORTON (Good Intent) O.S.

Members' F.F. show, June 12. Mr. A. W. Hartley, Gt. Horton, judged. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (9): 1, 2, Firth; 3, Salt; 4, Schofield; vhc, Whitaker; hc, Ackroyd; c, E. Self. Buff (8): 1, Bartle; 2, vhc, E. Self; 3, Salt; 4, hc, Firth; c, Ackroyd. Even or Unev. Yell. (2): 1, Schofield; 2, Salt. Buff (3): 1, Whitaker; 2, E. Self; 3, Salt. Yell. Nor. (2): 1, 2, Bartle. Buff (2): 1, 2, Kaberry. Points to count for cup: Firth 19, Salt 12, E. Self 12, Bartle 10, Schofield 6, Whitaker 6, Ackroyd 3, Kaberry 3. Ramble to Nab Wood and the Glen, July 26; meet Foster Square, opposite Midland Station, at 2.—A. Firth, Sec.

EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.

Members' show, June 12, Black Swan. 37 birds staged—31 British, 6 Yorks. Mr. J. W. Storey, Leeds, judged, and gave satisfaction. Linnet (8): 1, Summers; 2, vhc, Burnell; 3, Waind; hc, Walton; c, Pyrah. Greenf. (7): 1, Burnell; 2, Kendrew; 3, hc, Pyrah; vhc, Waind; c, Walton. Goldf. or Bullf. (4): 1, Burnell; 2, Walton; 3, Waind; vhc, Pyrah. Redpoll, &c. (5): 1, spl, Burnell; 2, Crossley; 3, Waind; vhc, Summers; hc, Walton. A.O.V. (6): 1, Pyrah; 2, Walton; 3, hc, c, Burnell; vhc, Summers. Mule: 1, Kendrew. Yorks: 1, 2, 3, Waind. Some very fine British were exhibited, Mr. Burnell taking most points. In novices Mr. Summers and Mr. Walton tie.—A. Walton.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting June 5, Mr. W. Creswell chair, with a splendid turn-up. Messrs. Barker, Annfield Plain, and J. Storey, Burnhope, were elected members. Stewards and doorkeepers were picked for young bird show June 19. Principal winners at table show were: Nor., Mason; Yorks., Cresswell; Borders, Bates and Lowerson; Linnet, Cresswell; Redpoll, Siskin, or Twite, Peart; A.O.B., Mason. Mr. J. Mason won Mr. R. Peart's medal for most points. Mr. W. Forster, Pelton Fell, judged, and gave everyone satisfaction. We are expecting having a good entry at young bird show as most members have had a very tidy breeding season. Mr. Alf. Holden, of Gateshead, judge.—G. F. Bates, Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Meeting June 5, Mr. Farrer presiding. Decided to hold three N.F. shows: June 19, July 17, and Aug. 14. Judges, Messrs. J. M. Walker, J. Clark, and J. Farrer respectively; 3d. entrance fee. Classes to stand on their own merit at each show, with 1st, 2nd, and 3rd birds only to count for points. All previous winning birds debarred from following shows. Birds to be staged at Station-st. Cafe by 7. Decided that last show, Aug. 14, be a judging competition for all members, and for this the following specials were promised: 2s. 6d. cash by Mr. G. Davidson for member coming nearest the judge's decision, and 2s. 6d. each by Mr. J. Farrer to best bird of the last show, nominated as such, by the majority of the members in judging competition. Mr. Henderson was elected a member.—John Peacock, Hon Sec.

DERBY C.B.S.

F.F. show June 12, Normanton Hotel. A fine lot of entries, especially of Yorks., being made. Messrs. Pegg and Pass judged, and gave satisfaction. The proceeds of the show, which are being given to the wounded soldiers at the Derby Royal Infirmary, amounted to £2.

Cl., Etc., Yell. Nor.: 1, 2, Roberts; 3, Oliver. Buff: 1, Jordan; 2, 3, Roberts; vhc, Tongue; hc, Parnell; c, Oliver Tkd. or Light Mkd., Yell. Nor.: 1, 2, Morrell; 3, c, Roberts; vhc, Drakeley; hc, Jordan. Bull: 1, Roberts; 2, Morrell; 3, vhc, Oliver; hc, Parnell; c, Tongue. H.V. or Gr. Nor: 1, 3, Morrell; 2, Drakeley; vhc, Roberts; hc, Tongue. Nov. Nor.: 1, 2, Mockeridge; 3, Hurst. Crest: 1, 2, 3, College Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks.: 1, York; 2, 3, Mockeridge; vhc, Illsley; hc, Cockeram; c, Elkins. Buff: 1, Mockeridge; 2, York; 3, c, Barton; vhc, hc, Cockeram. A.O.V. Yorks.: 1, 3, Barton; 2, Elkins; vhc, Wood; hc, Cockeram; c, Illsley. Brit., A.V., Name ending Finch (6): 1, Barton, Bramble.; 2, Watts, Bullf.; 3, 4, Ramm, Greenf. and Goldf.; vhc, Wood, Goldf.; hc, Barnsey, Greenf.; c, Oliver, Bullf. Linnet, Etc.: 1, Watts; 2, vhc, Ramm; 3, hc, Barton; c, Jordan. Next N.F. show Melbourne Hotel, Melbourne, July 10, proceeds in aid of wounded soldiers.

DENTON C.B.S.

Meeting, Silver Springs, June 8, Mr. H. Ainsworth presiding, and a fair number present. Decided to hold no F.F. show this year, and that half-year's subs. be paid next meeting. Decided to hold our annual show on Nov. 20. Next meeting, July 13. Will members rally round and give the society the support it deserves?—A. Wright, Hon. Sec.

WEST STANLEY (Empire) F.F., &c.

Meeting, June 13, J. Armin presiding. We had a good turn-up of members, and went through the schedule. Mr. J. Armin was elected vice-chairman in place of J. Elliott. At next meeting, July 11, I want all members to turn up; it has been suggested to pick a select committee, and if all members will come and give us their opinions on the subject I will be obliged.—R. Hutchinson, Sec.

PERTH (City and County) C.B.S.

Meeting, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard-st., June 7, Mr. W. Bruce, chair. Sec. read letters from Mr. J. Adams that he was willing to judge F.F. Show, June 26, at 2.30., and from Mr. J. Calder. Annual Club Show was fixed for Nov. 13. New members enrolled: Messrs. D. Lundie, D. Macnaughton, J. Lawrie. Sec. to write all county members about the F.F. Show. Subs. now due. Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting June 5, Low Westwood, in the open air, Mr. Geo. Barkess chair, and a very poor turn-out of members. Owing to members having a bad breeding season so far, it was decided to cancel F.F. show. Also if members do not attend our next meeting in larger numbers we shall be obliged to postpone our annual show for this year as a half-dozen of us are not going to arrange anything. Will all try their best and get to next meeting if things are to be kept going. Subs. due. —R. Johnson, Treas.

CRYSTAL PALACE AND PENGE.

Meeting, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, June 9. Decided that all members joining the colours still remain members, and be exempt from subs. during period they are with the colours. Schedule for young stock show, July 14, arranged. Then came the tit-bit of the evening, lecture on Colour Feeding by J. S. Fairman, a subject which he handled with tact and judgment, and the questions asked were answered to the satisfaction of all concerned. Vote of thanks to lecturer and chair., Mr. Foxen, closed the evening.—W. D. Fryett.

CHESTER-LE-STREET C.B.S.

Will old members who cannot attend the meeting on June 19, kindly drop me a postcard, and let me know if they still intend being members, as the business will be schedule for annual show, etc. We should like to arrange classes to suit the membership, but if we don't know what members we have we can't put on suitable classes. I have been successful in securing four new members, and I should like to see as many old members as possible. Anyone who would like to join kindly attend the meeting, or drop me a P.C., and I will put them right. Subs. 3s. 6d. per year, 1s. entrance for new members after this year.—R. Ward, 16, Wark Street.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting, June 14, Church Institute, Paddington Street. Mr. A. W. Curtis, chair, and 27 members present. A cheery letter was read from our member, Mr. F. Knight, describing his journey through North Wales, and members will be pleased to hear that he hopes to pay us a visit at the young bird show. Mr. P. Johnston was elected a member, and nominations were received from Mrs. Rolls and Mr. F. Day. The chairman presented medals to the winners of British bird judging competition, Mr. J. Chard taking 1st with 78 points; Offord, 2, 76; and Dossett, 3, 75. Hon. Sec. read list of specials presented for young bird show. A vote of thanks was unanimously accorded Mr. T. Pickard and Mr. A. Watcham for their generous subscription of £1 1s. each towards Crest cup. Mr. G. H. Thurley opened a discussion upon "Some points on bird breeding on which light is required." Several members joined in, and a very interesting and instructive debate took place. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Thurley was given for so carefully preparing his subject, and a vote of thanks to chairman closed the meeting.—F. Thynne, Assist. Hon. Sec.

TREDEGAR C.B.S.

Well-attended meeting, headquarters, June 5. Mr. D. Davis chair. New member elected, Mr. T. Morgan. Sec. submitted new rules for club competitions, and after a long discussion, same were adopted, and secretary instructed to supply each member with a copy. Decided to hold F.F. show at Tredegar Arms Hotel, July 3. Judge, Mr. G. Hale. Classification, 8 classes, similar to last year. Fee, 3d. per bird, points to count for unflighted cups. Schedules will be sent to all members when ready. I beg to invite the fanciers in Tredegar and district to become members of our society. The subscription is very low, only 2s. per annum, with 1s. entrance. We have a silver rose bowl for competition at the annual show, and 2 silver cups (1 champion, 1 novice), for competition at the young bird shows; last season every member who exhibited at the Nest Feather or unflighted shows, was presented with a special prize. I shall be pleased to supply full particulars to anyone desirous of becoming a member; send your 1s. on and take part in the first show. W. B. Watkins, Hon. Sec., 32a, Whitworth Terrace, Tredegar.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

General meeting June 3, Shield's Cafe, Mr. R. Tindall chair. Mr. Maddison gave a paper on "Light Muling," and this was sent to CAGE BIRDS for publication in due course. The reading was listened to very attentively, and members who were not present missed one of the biggest treats the society has ever had. Mr. Maddison was accorded a hearty vote of thanks. We have secured the St. Wilfrid's Mission Hall, Blandford-street (off Westmorland-road) for N.F. show July 3. Subs. are now due, and must be paid before N.F. show to enable members to compete.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Presentation to Mr. W. H. Stoakley, the Retiring Chairman.

Meeting, June 7, 6, Broadway, Mr. J. W. Heath, chair. Mr. Stoakley, retiring chairman, was presented with an illuminated address, the wording of which was as follows: "Wimbledon Cage Bird Society. The members desire to express to William Henry Stoakley, Esq., their heartiest thanks for the very valuable services he has rendered as their chairman since the formation of the society, and attribute its success in a large measure to his able and untiring efforts. The members, whilst regretting his retirement from the chair, trust that he may long be spared to associate himself with the interests of the society."

After usual business was over, the Chairman called upon President Mr. F. Piper to make the presentation. The popular President, upon rising, was well received. He said he had particular pleasure in being with them that evening for the purpose of making the presentation of an illuminated address to Mr. Stoakley, who had filled the post of chairman of the society for a period of ten years. During that time he had been a regular attendant at their meetings, given great attention, counsel and willing guidance to all, and had been ever ready to help them in another way which he need not mention. Although they were all confident that they had a worthy present chairman in the person of Mr. J. W. Heath, they felt that a man who had done so much for the interest of the Wimbledon Society as their retiring chairman was a difficult one to follow. He knew that Mr. Stoakley was unable to give the time to continue the office but he was sure he would be still with them in spirit. Wimbledon had much to thank Mr. Stoakley for, apart from the cage bird hobby. He was associated with all the good things going for the benefit of others, and no man in the district was doing more for our soldiers at the Front.

Upon rising to reply to the presentation, Mr. Stoakley was received with cheers. He thanked the President, members, and friends for the honour conferred upon him that evening, and he assured them he would treasure their gift as a token of their regard and appreciation. His work as their chairman had been one of considerable pleasure; it had been simple and easy, because the officials and members, one and all, had assisted him in his efforts to make the Wimbledon Cage Bird Society the success it had been. He was truly sorry to leave the chairmanship, but unfortunately was compelled by business pressure to do so. He wished the society every success in the future, and heartily thanked them for their extreme kindness.

A silver collection was then made in aid of the fund to supply comforts for the wounded of the East Surrey Regiment, and 25s. was collected. Upon receiving the amount from the chairman, Mr. Stoakley gave a short account of the work done, from which we gathered that he and his friends had got together some £700 for the purpose of comforts which had been highly appreciated by the men of the Regiment.

During the evening there was a judging competition among the members, the 34 birds staged being young ones of the year. 25 Yorks., 5 Norwich, and 4 Borders were staged, and among them were some excellent specimens. Mr. H. Norman acted as final judge. His awards were: Yorks: 1, hc, Smith; 2, Heath; 3, Whiting; vhc, Mrs. Farley; c, Bailey. Nor.: 1, 2, vhc, Nash; 3, hc, Birch. Bord.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Pegg. Fifteen competitors took part in the judging contest. Result: Farley 22, Alexander 20, Snow 16, Birch and Holden 14 each, Mrs. L. Holden 13, Harris 12, Stevens 9, Mrs. Griffiths 8, Whiting and Nash 6 each, Dyke 5. Schedule for young bird show in July drafted, and with some small alteration duly passed. Decided to defer decision as to the form of the annual show till Oct. meeting. Although members generally have not had a particularly good season so far, the quality of the young ones, from what we could hear, seems to be quite high class.

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Country Rambles

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Annual ramble, June 6, when an enjoyable day was spent by members and friends in the Newick District, Marstakes Common, etc. We arrived at Barcombe just after 9 and were soon in country lanes. Nature's choirmen were in splendid voice, Messrs. Blackbird and Thrush taking the leading parts. Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Goldfinches and Linnets also rendered good service, while the Cuckoo was not to be left behind. Many nests were found, including Linnets, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, Blackbirds, Thrushes, Wood Pigeons, Robins and others, some with eggs, others with young, also a young Cuckoo in a Linnet's nest. Good work was put in by some of the more vigorous members who climbed trees for special finds or otherwise. After a line time in the woods and common we walked back to Barcombe Mills, where we took train to Brighton. Several snaps were taken, which it is hoped will turn out successful as a pleasant reminder of an enjoyable day.—W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Second annual ramble in the New Forest, June 9. A much smaller company than last year attended, "Kaiser Bill" being chiefly responsible for the shortage; but many birds were on show which would have done credit to a much larger gathering. The energetic Hon. Sec., Mr. W. L. Page, was early at the station to greet all comers, assisted by his ever-charming partner and little daughter.

A very large proportion of ladies were present, and a grand opportunity these outings give the ladies to compare notes on birdy matters; Mater tells how she has to prepare the egg-food and attend to the feeding, whilst Sonnie takes all the credit, and Wifie bewails seed shucks on the drawing-room carpet and the commandeering of jam-dishes, etc. The train journey was soon made, the first birds being sighted on the way—a group of "Mudlarks" on the shore. On arrival at Lyndhurst Road the party broke up into groups, some of whom wandered to the nearest trees and enjoyed the coolness, others went further afield; and many were the adventures recited later, strange and varied the birds and nests seen. When CAGE BIRDS becomes a magazine of fiction the stories may be published. However, the ladies who fought the snake brought its body in proof of their story. At the appointed hour the whole party met at Nichol's Temperance Hotel, and seated at a long table on the lawn with the genial chairman, Mr. W. G. Fellows at the head, they enjoyed a good tea. Everyone being filled, the Chairman spoke a few words of welcome to the friends present, and proposed a vote of thanks to the Hon. Sec. for his efforts in the arrangement and carrying out of the outing. Mr. Page returned thanks and proposed vote of thanks to Mr. S. White, who had done a lot of work in arranging for the catering. After thanks to the ladies, whose presence had added so much to the pleasure, a cricket match was played by teams chiefly composed of crocks, with ladies to make up the numbers, and fine cricketers some of the fair ones made. Mr. Melhuish made the highest score. A move was made to the station all too soon; on the return journey some alarm was caused to the passengers by a weird noise which brought a thought of Zeppelins to all minds, but which turned out to be the musical portion of the company "singing" "Auld Lang Syne." On arrival at Southampton hearty "good nights" brought an end to a thoroughly enjoyed ramble.—G. J. Slade, Assist. Sec.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Annual ramble June 7 to Blairadam estate, by the kind permission of Sir Charles Adam. The party assembled at the cross, taking car for Kelty; upon arrival there we proceeded to Craig's Lodge, where we were met by P.C. Drummond, ranger, under whose guidance we were soon introduced to wild bird life in all its glories. The hedges, shrubs, and trees of the many splendid avenues were at their best, dressed in their new coats of varying shades of green, and the birds flitting from tree to tree. The honour of first find fell to Mr. A. Strachan, a Blackbird's nest and three eggs; further up the avenue we came across some newly felled trees, which, we were informed, had been planted in the year 1745. When some of them were measured they were found to be 4ft. thick. In a sheltered pond by the side of his house, Mr. Drummond showed us a Waterhen's nest upon the branch of a tree, and containing eight eggs; when we saw it, it would be at least 2ft. above the water. A few feet away a Wild Duck was sitting on a nest of eggs, and refused to be disturbed by our presence; her partner was swimming about on the pond, and came to the side when called by the ranger to be fed. Three lovely Shield-ducks were also swimming about displaying their beautiful colours for our admiration. We were treated to an exhibition of man-tracking by a magnificent blood-hound, the property of Mr. Drummond, and trained by himself, Mr. A. Strachan doing the part of the hunted man. He dropped his handkerchief on the drive, crossed a field, and hid in some shrubs; the hound smelt the handkerchief, picked up the trail, sounded his deep note, and went straight to his quarry. R. Stewart found a Willow Wren's nest and six eggs in a tuft of grass, while some lovely Pheasants were flushed on our way. We now entered the glen, and the nests of various species were found by M. Smith, J. McLeod, J. Adamson, A. Kirk, and G. Raith. After leaving the glen, W. Grewar found a Jenny Wren's nest, with eggs commencing to hatch. We proceeded to Lochgelly water supply, and after a thorough inspection of the various workings, we resumed our walk. R. Adamson found a Meadow Pipit's and four young. Crossing some moors, through woods, up hill and down dale, we reached the summit of Flockhouse Hill, or, to give it its local name, Cowden Hill. Here we had presented to us a view to which no artist's brush could do justice. Away in the background stand the Ochil Hills, on the right Benarty Hill, east and west Lomond; in the centre Loch Leven, the islands of which were to be seen quite distinctly. Queen Mary's Castle showed up well. After feasting our eyes on this magnificent scene we retraced our steps by way of the home of Sir Charles, along the beautiful drives, to Kelty, where tea was waiting, and to which full justice was done, arriving in Lochgelly about 7 o'clock, after having again been fortunate in the matter of weather. The ramble was voted by all to have been one of the best outings yet held.—W. Grewar, Assist. Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

The Shows.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.

Members' F.F. show, June 12, Victoria Hotel, 31 birds staged. Mr. J. Wilcock judged and gave satisfaction to all. Spl. for best in show, Mr. L. Dykes. Clear Yell. (7): 1, 3, Bloomfield; 2, vhc, Goodwin; 4, Smith; hc, Alred; c, Smith. Buff (7): 1, hc, Fretwell; 2, Oldrieve; 3, 4, Dykes; vhc, Pullan; c, Smith. Tkd. Yell. (1): 1, Goodwin. Tkd. Buff (3): 1, Pullan; 2, Smith; 3, Alred. Mkd. Yell. (6): 1, spl, 4, Dykes; 2, Oldrieve; 3, Bloomfield; vhc, Pullan; hc, Alred. Buff (4): 1, 2, 3, Dykes; 4, Alred. Foul Mkd. (3): 1, 2, Dykes; 3, Alred.—H. Bryant, Hon. Sec.

ALFRETON C.B.S.

First members' N.F. show, June 12, but owing to our members having such a bad time, entries were on the small side. Mr. J. Simms judged. We are trusting to have a better result for our annual open show, July 10. Class 1: 1, 2, Vardy. Class 2: 1, 3, Vardy; 2, Adnitt. Class 3: 1, 2, Vardy. Class 10: 1, Evaus; 2, 3, Beardall. Class 11: 1, Adnitt; 2, Evans. Class 12: 1, Sawer Bros.; 2, Evans; 3, Adnitt; 4, 5, Beardall. Class 14: 1, Andrews. Class 15: 1, Webster. Class 16: 1, Holt; 2, Spencer; 3, Newton. Class 17: 1, Newton. Class 18: 1, Sawer Bros.; 2, Abbott; 3, Spencer. Class 19: 1, Henshaw; 2, Abbott; 3, Spencer; 4, 6, Sawer Bros.; 5, Henshaw.—G. Beardall, Sec.

KEIGHLEY C.B.S.

F.F. show, June 12, Hare and Hounds Hotel. 69 birds faced the judge, Mr. Luther Varley, whose awards gave every satisfaction. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks: 1, 3, Smith; 2, Judson; vhc, Burnett; hc, Mitchell; c, Trevenar. Buff Yorks: 1, Nelmes; 2, Slater; 3, Judson; vhc, Mitchell; hc, Leach; c, Myers. Unev. or Foul Mkd. Yorks: 1, spl, Faweett; 2, Slater; 3, Middleton; vhc, Scaife; hc, Mitchell; c, Burnett. A.O.V. Yorks: 1, 2, Middleton; 3, Fawcett; vhc, Nelmes; hc, Myers; c, Smith. Nov. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks: 1, 2, Potterton; 3, W. Smith; vhc, J. Smith. Buff: 1, spl, W. Smith; 2, Potterton; 3, J. Smith. A.O.V. Yorks.: 1, J. Smith; 2, W. Smith.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.

Meeting, June 12, Mr. C. Mitchell chair, with a good turn-up of members. Mr. J. Hands, Ryton-on-Tyne, was elected to judge annual show, Dec. 18, Table show in club room; 40 birds staged. Mr. G. Lane judged, and his awards were well received. Nor. 1915: 1, 2, 3, Robson. Yorks: 1, Cresswell. Bord.: 1, Bates; 2, Craggs; 3, Barron. A.O.V. Can: 1, Storey. Nor. Old Bird: 1, Robson; 2, Storey; 3, Mitchell. Yorks: 1, Cresswell. Bord: 1, Bates; 2, Wearing; 3, Mitchell. Mule: 1, 2, Storey. Redpoll: 1, 2, Barron; 3, Blackburn. Linnet: 1, 2, Blackburn. A.O. Hardbill: 1, 2, Barron. Next table show and meeting, July 10; classes the same; at Wardles Bridge Inn, Holmside. Hoping for another good turn-up. Mr. W. Forster, Pelton Fell, will judge.—J. W. Robson, Sec.

ROYAL CORNWALL.

This popular West Country fixture was held at Camborne, June 9 and 10, and was a great success. The entry was good and quality splendid. Mr. C. V. Everitt, Chairman of the Committee, led his men well. Messrs. F. Collins, H. Lee, J. H. Peters, T. J. Wren, W. Eddy, J. Moon, H. C. Paul, F. Waters, T. James, T. H. Menadue and W. T. Strout were most attentive to their duties, whilst Mr. C. J. Allen, Sec., made a most capable and painstaking official. Mr. F. Collins, who won the special for the best bird in the show with a magnificent Yellow Wagtail, had a rare day out. Mr. C. E. Silk judged.

NOR., CL. YELL. (7): 1, spl., hc, Howard, very neat shape, tight feather, lovely even col.; 2, res., Collins, capital body, feathers and style, nice col.; 3, Kemp, very nice in feather and shape, not so warm in col; vhc, Lawry. BUFF (9): 1, spl., Collins, real gem, very chubby and compact, grand head, neck and chest, beautiful feather, sound col.; 2, vhc, James, hardly so stout in chest, but bonny otherwise; 3, Stephens and Gaved, silky feather, nice col., shows well; res., Andrew; hc, Kemp; c, Strout. YELL., VARIEG. (8): 1, Collins, heavily variegs., beautiful qual., rich col., very smart and strong; 2, 3, Howard, mkd. head, neck and saddle, grand col., nice shape and feather, 3, saddle mkd., good shape, hardly so full in head; res., Rowe and Richards; vhc, Trevorrow; hc, Kemp; c, Lawry. BUFF (7): 1, Howard, cheek tkd., very chubby and compact, good head and neck, nice qual. and col.; 2, Rowe and Richards, heavily mkd., not quite so close in feather, good shape and style; 3, Kemp, grizzled on head, shapely, well feathered; res, Andrew; vhc, Stroup; hc, Collins; c, James. 1915 (12): 1, spl., Pascoe, smart cl. yell., capital shape, nice even col., good qual.; 2, Howard, high qual. variegs. yell., not quite so short, full of col.; 3, res., Lawry, shapely cl. yell., hardly so tight in feather, not at his best; vhc, Strout; hc, Phillips; c, James. YORKS., YELL. (7): 1, 2, spl., Ellis, I shapely, capital length and style, neat head, grand wings and tail, 2 plenty of length, full of style, hardly so close in feather; 3, Allen, neat close feather, nice carr., hardly so much length; vhc, Boundy; hc, Thomas; c, Peters. BUFF (9): 1, spl., Allen, plenty of length, grand feather and carr., but a bit stout; 2, 3, Boundy, beautiful feather and style, grand shoulders and flights, 3 very neat and smart, grand qual. and carr.; res, vhc, Ellis; hc, Thomas; c, Craven. YELL. VARIEG. (11): 1, spl, Peters, eye and wing tkd., very neat and smart right through, a bird that filled the eye; 2, Thomas, nice slim lengthy, thigh tkd., good carr. and feather; 3, Andrews, smart and shapely, nice qual., hardly so steady; res, hc, Boundy; vhc, c, Oatey. BUFF (6): 1, spl., res., Boundy, close feathered, wing tkd., grand flights and tail, full of style; 2, 3, Peters, wing tkd., racy, good length, hardly so tight front, 3 thigh mkd., good top end; vhc, Oatey; hc, Hocking. 1915 (8): 1, 3, spl., Boundy, smart, stylish, typical cl. yell., most promising, 3 heavily mkd. yell., grand body, good style and feather, hardly so neat in head; 2, Strout, nice lengthy cl. yell., good wings and tail, stands well; res, Allen; vhc, hc, Rowe; c, Peters. CREST, ETC. (6): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Lee, heavily mkd. C.B., grand shape and subs., splendid feather and brow, 3 gr. C.B., pied tail, hardly so stout, nice qual.; 2, Lawry, head and saddle mkd. C.B., capital shape, plenty of feather, hardly so wide in frontal. A.O.V. CAN. (4): 1, vhc, hc, Collins, slashing yell. cinn., rare shape, col. and feather, a bouncing bird; 3, Sherman, high qual. yell. cinn., hardly so tight at thighs, capital col. MULES, LT. (6): 1, spl., 2, 3, res., vhc, Collins, grand team, shown in excellent style and deserving of greater competition, 1 rare shaped lightly mkd. Lin.-Can., 2 grand feathered yell. Goldf.-Can. fourpointed, rare col., 3 cl. Goldf.-Can., lovely shape and feather, looks like a hen. DK. (9): 1, 2, spl., Rowe and Richards, splendid yell. Lin.-Can., real gem, wonderful col., shape, feather and markings, 2 yell. Goldf.-Can., topper, full of col., rare shape and feather; 3, res, vhc, Collins, buff Greenf.-Can., nice shape, compact feather, good col., might be larger; hc, Stephens and Gaved. HYB. (6): 1, 2, Collins, Goldf.-Bullf., and Goldf.-Greenf., grandly mkd. birds, capital shape and feather. BRIT. GOLDF. (12): 1, spl., Stephens and Gaved, wonderfully rich and bright in col., grand feather, deep square blaze, capital bars and buttons; 2, Pelkinghorne, much deeper tone of col., rare feather and style, nice wings; 3, res., Coombe, very bright col., lovely chest and back, not quite so steady; vhc, Collins; hc, Rescoria; c, Pascoe. SOFTBILL (5): 1, spl, and spl. best in show, res., c, Collins, one of the finest Yellow Wagtails that ever looked through a cage, a living picture, wonderful col., rare shape, beautiful feather, and staged to perfection; 2, vhc, Stephens and Gaved, magnificent Chough, rare feather and col., grand bill. HARDBILL (8): 1, spl., hc, Collins, grandly mkd., Hawfinch, capital col. and feather; 2, 3, c, Rowe and Richards, Yellow Bunting, rich col., neatly mkd., lovely feather, 3 lovely Cirl Bunting, capital feather and style, well mkd.; res., Stephens and Gaved; vhc, Mrs. Rule. HEN HARDBILL (8): 1, 2, Collins, fine Bramble, lovely shape, col., markings and feather, steady, 2 good Hawfinch, but damaged in tail and flights; 3, vhc, Rowe and Richards, Bullf., well mkd., good shape and feather, and a lovely siskin, which we liked for 2nd; res, hc, Coombe; c, Peters.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

FOR RULES SEE LAST WEEK'S ISSUE.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

C. L.—Replied to by post.

SORE FEET (T. McC.).—See that the bird has perches of a proper size and shape, which are fixed securely in place, and especially that they are made of a nice soft pine wood. A round spar trimmed off on the top surface to an oval shape, and of such a thickness that the bird's claws do not quite meet when it grips it is about the correct thing. Catch the bird and bathe the feet for a few minutes morning and evening with a lukewarm solution of Wych Hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract to a saucerful of warm water. After bathing, dry gently and anoint the feet all over with Lanocyllin ointment, but do not leave on any surplus grease to collect the dirt. Continue this treatment for a week, or more if necessary. You may add 12 drops of Fluid Magnesia to the drinking water for three consecutive days to cool the blood.

YOUNG DYING (Miss Monkton).—Sorry, but I really cannot tell what is the cause of the young dying at ten days old without more detailed particulars to found an opinion upon. Did you leave the cocks with the hens whilst sitting and rearing the young; did the hens cease to feed them; and did they show any signs of wanting to start nesting again? The replies to all these questions materially affect the question. If you allowed the cocks to remain with the hens continuously before, remove them with the next round as soon as the hens begin to sit, and leave them to hatch out and rear the young by themselves, which they will do just as well, or even better, than when the cocks are left with them. The best advice I can give you in the circumstances is to get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager will send you for 7d., post free, and follow advice therein in future, and if anything goes wrong, or there is any point you do not understand, write at once and give the fullest particulars you can, which may help to form a clue to the trouble. You might also look up the replies on this subject which have appeared in the last few weeks, notably one to "E. C. Briggs" in last issue, and many others which practically cover the ground completely.

BALD BEHIND (S. O. S.).—Allow me to refer you to replies to "C. P." and "T. B.," in last issue, which fully cover your case, and you may act upon the advice in those replies with full confidence.

SWEATING HEN (W. G. S.).—The most rational treatment for a so-called sweating hen, if the young are of any exceptional value, is to transfer them at once to a foster hen to be reared, and then run the hen in a flight for a little while before she attempts nesting again, and during this interval give a plain seed diet, with a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every third day, and give a free supply of seedy chickweed or flowering tips of young groundsel. In the drinking water add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and ten drops of lemon juice every second day for a week, and afterwards five drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight. If you cannot transfer the young, offer her a variety of foods to tempt her to go on feeding the young, even if it is only in a half-hearted way, for a few days, until the illness passes off, when she will go on feeding as usual. See that the egg-food is quite fresh at least twice a day; offer a little soaked summer rape in a separate saucer daily, but see that it is not allowed to become sour; a teaspoonful of cracked hemp may also be given daily; and give a rather free supply of tempting green food, particularly crisp young lettuce, the flowering tips of young groundsel and seedy chickweed, in the order named. Add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water for one half of each day, whilst the trouble lasts, and offer a bath in which you have dissolved sufficient common salt to make the water taste faintly saline.

MRS. A. M. WALKER.—Letter to hand. Many thanks.

MAKES CLUCKING NOISE (E. J. A.). The bird appears to be suffering from bronchial catarrh, doubtless due to exposure to direct draughts or extreme and rapid changes of temperature. See that it is kept free from these exciting causes; do not hang it in such a place as a window, nor high up near the ceiling, or a burning light in the evening. In additional to its usual seed diet give every second day for a fortnight a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with maw seed, and on alternate days add five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine and sweet spirit of nitre to the drinking water. If not quite well at the end of that time stop the drugs for a week, and then resume them with the addition of five drops of tincture of lobelia for another fortnight.

TURNING BLACK (H. George).—I am not quite clear as to what you mean by the birds turning black. Is it the colour of the feathers that is changing, or merely the plumage that is becoming grimy with accumulated dirt? If the latter, nothing will quite remedy it, save hand-washing, until the moult, which is not so very far off now. If the colour of the feathers is really changing, it is doubtless due to melanism, resulting from an abnormal condition generally. For this I can give no satisfactory advice without some particulars to work on, of which you give none whatever. Three times a week give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and on each of the remaining days a fairly liberal supply of green food in variety. In the drinking water add 12 drops of Fluid Magnesia every second day for a fortnight or so. Then if you have not discovered a satisfactory treatment from the book which has been sent you, please write again, and give the fullest particulars you can of your feeding and general treatment hitherto, and of any definite symptoms shown by the birds.

CLEAR EGGS (Joe).—If the nine-year-old cock is in good health and active he is not necessarily the sole cause of the unfertile eggs, and it may be quite worth while trying him again. At the same time, if he is not in quite vigorous condition or you are particularly desirous of getting a brood of young this season with tolerable certainty, you would certainly do well to replace him with a younger bird in good health and song for the next attempt.

DEFECTIVE HIND CLAW (R. W. Hill).—Place a small rubber ring over the toes and shank for a fortnight or so. To make it, cut rather less than an eighth of an inch off the end of rubber tubing, such as is used on babies' feeding bottles, then catch the bird and holding the three fore toes close together, place the ring over them and pass it on upwards, holding the hind toe back against the shank, until the ring is nearly to the end of the hind toe; then leave it in that position, so that when you release the bird the ring will hold the hind toe backwards. After putting on both rings return the bird to its cage and let it wear them for the time named. At the end of a fortnight or so remove the rings and put in the cage thin and nearly-round perches, about the size and shape of an ordinary lead pencil, and leave these to complete the cure. You may have to keep these special perches in several weeks before the defect is corrected and the toes quite strong.

EGG SUBSTITUTE AND DIARRHŒA (Spongebun).—(1) I see no reason why the cake of which you send recipe should not answer very well as an occasional treat for the birds instead of egg food out of the breeding season, but to use it as a complete substitute for the orthodox egg food to rearing young, I think you would be well advised to double the number of eggs and use only half the quantity of baking powder. It may not be absolutely necessary to thus increase the proportion of eggs, but it is certainly advisable, unless you were going to use it for experiment, or for common stock. (2) To correct the looseness, limit or withhold according to the exigencies of the case the supply of succulent green food for a few days, and give daily a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts good sound hemp and crushed arrowroot biscuit, given dry. A pinch of maw may be added as an extra inducement to the birds to eat it freely. If this is not quite successful in two or three days, give in addition a morsel of bread and milk, well drained, and well sprinkled with carbonate of bismuth, and add to the drinking water five drops each of tincture of gentian and tincture of opium for a day or two.

YORKSHIRE COCK WHEEZY (J. F. P., Leyton).—(1) The Yorkshire is perhaps a little overfed, which tends to aggravate the symptoms. If you take due care to see that it is not exposed to exciting causes of cold, the following treatment will doubtless put matters right in the course of a week or so. Give a mixture of three parts canary to one part rape as staple. In the water add, every second day for a week, six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and after this give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it every second day for a week, and on the alternate days add to the water five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre. (2) Yes, the specimen enclosed is shepherd's purse.

STRANGE BEHAVIOUR (Perplexed).—It is nervousness, pure and simple, which caused the bird to behave as you describe. As this behaviour has only began in the last few months, you should consider whether you have introduced anything of an alarming nature to the bird into the household, which is conspicuous at the time it is taken down for cage cleaning, etc., such, for example, as a cat or dog, or even an inanimate object. The removal of any such exciting cause if discovered will suffice to remove the effect. If no such cause is found, then the bird is probably more or less run down and consequently more a victim of "stage fright." The only thing you can do is to endeavour to gain its confidence by constant attention, and a gentle, methodical manner, and frequently offering it a morsel of some tempting green food. Let it find out that you mean it no harm, but do not try to force your attention upon it all at once. Rather try to draw its attention to you as a provider of good things whose favour is to be courted rather than feared.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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NOT BREEDING (P. Smith).—Assuming you are sure of the sex of your birds, I am afraid I cannot tell you why they have not shown any signs of breeding, although apparently in good health, beyond the fact that they are not in proper breeding condition. You appear to have mated the birds you bred two years ago among themselves, which must mean that you have brothers and sisters mated. If I am right, this is not a good thing, as the breeding is much too close when there is apparently no object whatever for it. But still, this would not account for the birds not settling down to breed. What I would advise you to do is to dispose of one-half of the birds you have, and get an equal number of fresh ones to take their place as mates for those kept. Get strong, vigorous birds—hens untried, if possible, and cocks in good song—and 1914 bred for preference. Mate these with your own stock, and in addition to the staple seed diet give each pair a small teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it every second day for two or three weeks, or stop it earlier if the hens go to nest. On the alternate days give a liberal supply of dandelion seed heads, or young stools of the whole plant, cut off just below the surface of the ground, and given altogether—crown, leaves, blooms, and seed heads. You may add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and ten drops of lemon juice to the water for four consecutive days, and afterwards six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of steel every second day for a week.

REJECTED EGG (Coggeshall).—I cannot tell you why the hen persists in sitting with one egg exposed outside her wing. It may simply be an idiosyncrasy, though if the same egg is always rejected the chances are all in favour of it being unfertile, or one with the contents dried up in the shell. It would be easy to tell if it were always the same egg that is exposed if you were to place a small distinctive mark upon it. Even if it is not always the same, it would be the wisest course to allow the clutch to incubate the full time before rejecting them. There is nothing you can do to make the hen keep all eggs covered if she elects not to do so, especially when it is not a case of having more than she can conveniently cover.

NIBBLING FEATHERS (I. H. Brown).—The bird probably needs occupation more than anything else. For green food give a half-ripe plantain stalk or seed head of shepherd's purse to pick at each day. A piece of cuttlefish stuck in the wires for him to peck at would also be useful, and a small cube of hard common salt ditto. If available, also give every morning and evening for a time a mealworm, with the head crushed, fastened on to the end of a perch. If this does not stop him plucking out and chewing his feathers, give a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and then sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice. Allow it to bathe as freely as it likes as long as the weather is fine and warm.

VARIED (R.T.).—(1) Yes, it is certainly right to give green food to birds bringing up young. From about the fourth day onward it should be regarded as a necessity, as it not only assists the hens in their feeding duties, but keeps the digestive organs in a good healthy condition. You do not say what kind of green food you gave, nor how old the young were. The young dying after was probably a mere coincidence. (2) Yes, if the cock is wanted for any other purpose it is quite correct to remove him as soon as the hen begins to sit, and leave her to hatch out and rear the young by herself. (3) For short description of feeding young see replies to "F.G.T." and "Bewildered" in last issue, or for full details you should get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners." (4) The food you name has been used by many for rearing young with success. (5) Certainly it is not usual to lose the young when two weeks old, though they may be lost at any age from various causes. You should have given particulars about these losses, and whether the hens were wanting to go to nest again. Perhaps the replies referred to will enlighten you. If not, and you will write again, I shall be glad to help you as far as possible. (6) No, canary seed is not German rape. They are two entirely different seeds. Canary seed is somewhat similar in shape to barley, about a third the size and of straw colour. German rape belongs to the brassicæ, or cabbage tribe, and is reddish-brown in colour and somewhat similar to cabbage or turnip seed in appearance.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

ARE THE EGGS FERTILE? (Norwich Nest).—I would advise you to let the hen sit upon the eggs, as although the birds quarrel, the fact of their both being in breeding condition gives you a good chance of the eggs being fertile. The fact of your not seeing them pair is nothing to go by, as this may, and probably does, take place at dawn, when you are enjoying your beauty sleep. Even such domesticated birds as pairs of Canaries frequently quarrel terribly, yet the eggs prove fertile. If you have another hen to spare, you could run the Goldie with her, while the first hen is sitting. Anyway, whatever you do, shut the cock away from the hen; he will be of no use with her until the young are reared. (2) There is still time for Canary-Bullfie hybrids. Feed on plenty of seeding wild food, gathering it carefully, so as to retain any insects lurking among it.

FEEDING BRITISH BIRDS (Old Birds). — Make the following mixture for your Linnet:—Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape 2 parts; this will be his stock food during the summer, and in the autumn a little linseed could be added to it and continued during the winter. Buy a packet of good wild seed mixture and give a spoonful twice a week. Gather shepherd's purse, chickweed, groundsel, and seeding grass, and give fresh daily, or as frequently as you are able to get it. For the proper treatment of Thrush and Lark you should get our Nutshell booklets on these birds, post free, 2½d., from this office. Crushed puppy biscuits (best quality), soaked in hot water or gravy, with an occasional feed of insectile food, will keep a Thrush or Lark in good condition. The insectile mixture should be made slightly moist by mixing scraped raw carrot, boiled potatoes, or chopped green food with it; they should both have a few insects occasionally, and the Thrush a fairly liberal supply of soft ripe fruit. Give the Lark a few shelled oats and canary and maw seed, he will occasionally eat a few of these.

REARING LARKS UNDER CANARIES (Mermaid). —I fancy you are trying to break the record. I have never heard of Canaries rearing young Larks, but if you intend to try, keep the hen well supplied with egg food, and bread and milk, made by pouring hot milk on dry old bread. Mix with the egg food a spoonful of good ants' eggs, which should also be dipped in the milk. If you can manage to get a few fresh ants' eggs, you might manage to hand-feed the young ones with these, also giving green fly, and, as they grow older, small caterpillars or pieces of mealworms. Be sparing with seed for the old birds; in fact, I would only let them have it at intervals the first few days, and then either after they have fed the young or the very last feed at night, when they have packed the babies to bed. I think your only chance of success is in assisting the old birds by giving each food as they would not use themselves. (2) You need not place the young birds outdoors until they are removed from the foster parents and are well able to feed themselves.

BULLFINCH IN PAIN (Bob).—If the trouble with your Bullfinch is what you suggest, I do not think there would be the two extremes of pain and ease. I am rather inclined to attribute the trouble to acute indigestion, and would suggest treatment for that complaint. Give first of all an aperient of Glauber Salts, as much as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in two tablespoonsful of water, and repeat the dose a couple of days later. If he will eat soft food, dip a cube of day-old bread in hot milk and dust over it just a little powdered bismuth. Soak rape and canary seed, and give a spoonful daily, and twice a week a spoonful of wild seed mixture, which you can purchase at most corn dealers. I notice you do not use sunflower seed. This is excellent food for Bullfinches. A few grains can be given daily. Your green food should include seeding grass; soft fruit is also much appreciated. You would do well to procure our Nutshell booklet on the Bullfinch, 2½d. post free.

FINCHES MOPY (G. E. B.).—There is evidently something quite wrong with your treatment. You should have told me how you were feeding your Finches, as I suspect that is the cause. I would advise you to get our booklets on these birds; they will help you considerably. In the meantime give both birds a dose of Glauber Salts. Dissolve as much as will cover a sixpence in two tablespoonsful of water, and repeat the dose two days later. Feed the Goldfinch on the following: Teazle 4 parts, canary 3 parts, hemp 2 parts, summer rape, ¼ part; and twice a week give a spoonful of wild seed mixture, and a few sunflower seeds daily. Seed for the Linnet should be as follows: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, summer rape 2 parts. Let him have the wild seed mixture the same as the Goldie. Both birds should have an abundance of seeding wild food, such as groundsel, shepherd's purse, sow thistle, chickweed, grass, etc. Keep in a good large cage and let them bath daily. If you follow the directions given in the Nutshell booklets you should have no trouble to keep your birds in good health at this time of the year, when natural food is plentiful.

MORE BULLFINCH TROUBLES (W. H. Kemp).—Your trouble arises from improper treatment. Get our Nutshell booklet on the Bullfinch and treat as advised. Give the bird an aperient of Epsom or Glauber salts and keep him well supplied with wild food. Read the advice given to "Bob" and others in this issue. By the account you gave of your birds, it appears to me that they are probably too fat; if so, the salts will give them relief, and if it is followed by proper feeding, he should keep in good health.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

CARDINAL WITH BARE STOMACH (W.D.).—Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every other day for a week, then every fourth day for a month. Lightly anoint the bare area with a little cold cream; you must only use a little, not sufficient to run among and grease the plumage. Diet: Canary and white millet seeds in equal parts, also a few hemp and sunflower seeds; ripe fruit, greenfood, and a few live insects. Till the present condition passes, give it a little milk sop daily, about a dessert-spoonful, made with condensed milk, boiling water, and a little sponge cake. As regards live insects, you can offer spiders, earwigs, smooth caterpillars, beetles, and the like, also live ants' eggs, and well scoured maggots. If you have no garden and cannot secure any of these, then you must fall back on three or four mealworms per diem. Supply a daily bath, and also keep up a continuous supply of grit and cuttlebone in the cage. It can have any kind of fruit it will eat. English and foreign banana and sweet apple, and overripe pear (when in season) are much liked by most individuals. You had better report progress in two or three weeks' time. A lily round the room daily, if this can be arranged, would also greatly benefit it.

CONVERTING GREENHOUSE TO AVIARY (Jacob).—It is unfortunate that you do not show position of door on diagram. You must arrange a small lobby of wire netting either inside or out, so that you can have free ingress and egress without the birds escaping. Excepting the ventilator, the whole of the roof must be covered with roofing felt. This will modify extreme heat in summer and cold in winter. The whole of the front and end glass must be covered with wire netting on the inside. The netting covering the gaps of the windows should have hinged flaps, large enough to take out and attend to the food vessels without going inside. The food and water vessels can easily be arranged on a small shelf fixed inside the whole width of these openings. The back wall and two ends of the aviary should be thickly covered with twiggy branches, the front portion of the aviary being left open for flight. On the back wall, amid the branches, must be hung (some can be suspended from the roof) cocoanut husks or small barrels (the latter for preference), at least double as many as you have pairs of birds. Window marked No. 1 on your diagram will only require to be opened for attendance purposes; you will ventilate by window No. 2 and the roof ventilator. You would have space for say 3 pairs Budgerigars, 1 pair Lovebirds, and 1 pair Cockatiels, or similar sized Parrakeets. For other details and general treatment, see our Budgerigar Nutshell, 2½d. post free.

PARRAKEET VOMITING (E.S.).—I do not think there is any serious trouble with your bird. Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water. Do not give any more bread sopped in milk, but to obviate it missing the moistened bread, lightly moisten a crust of bread or piece of biscuit with a mixture of syrup of phosphates and water. Supply the following seed mixture: One quart giant canary seed, one pint each hemp, oats, and sunflower seed, and half a pint of shelled pea nuts, well mix and keep a constant supply in cage. Also supply any kind of ripe fruit it will eat, according to season; give it some greenfood to pick over—lettuce, flowering and seeding grass, groundsel, chickweed, etc. Cuttlebone and grit must be continually in the cage, also a piece of a thickish branch of a tree for it to exercise its mandibles upon. It is a Ring-necked Parrakeet.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

You can give at intervals, to vary the ordinary diet a little, pieces of biscuit, plain cake, and a few shelled walnuts. You had better carry out above treatment for a month or more, and then report progress. In case of development of any further adverse symptoms you should write again at once.

BUDGERIGARS NOT BREEDING (Perplexed).—It is largely the case of the time an individual pair take to settle down. The husks are fixed up correctly, and your birds are sooner or later sure to settle down. I am afraid, though your cage looks a large one, by the time you had fixed up another two husks its dimensions would be considerably reduced, and I favour an extra cage, so placed that each pair of birds will be in full view of each other. There is another alternative, and that is, to fix up a corner of your bird room as a flight, a piece about 4ft. long and from 2 to 2½ft. deep, the full height of the room, would make nice quarters for 2 or 3 pairs, and you should have some decent luck with them. Use only twiggy branches for perching accommodation. You must decide which is the plan you can best carry out. If you decide on the extra cage, and your birds arrive before it is ready, put the new arrivals into the cage with your present pair, and see how they behave; do not put in any extra husks. If they (both pairs) should go to nest then leave them together till the young of one pair are almost ready to fend for themselves, then remove one family party to the other cage. It would be wise to ring your breeding pairs.

AMAZON PARROT WITH TREMBLING FITS (Pollie).—I do not think there is much wrong with your bird. All birds are nervous in fresh quarters, but it ought to begin to learn to steady down now; also, it ought to become gradually accustomed to the dog. Certainly put it out on warm days, not in an exposed position though, nor where it will be in a current of wind. Avoid hasty movements in its vicinity, and see that all who attend to its wants are gentle and quiet while performing this duty, and the nervousness will gradually disappear. As it is talking a little, when it settles down it will not only begin to repeat any words it has already learnt, but pick up other words, sounds, and calls which it hears. You can also repeat to it again and again things you would like it to say. It should ultimately end by barking like a dog, and also calling the dog by the name it hears you call it by, and so on. As it is moulting, one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water once a week will be beneficial; also, half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates twice a week, during the period of the moult.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates**, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.**

Miss M. Stainland.—Hen Rosella died of splenic apoplexy, not septic fever, but septicæmia, a condition in which the germ lives and propagates in the blood stream.

W. G. Sanders.—Necrosis of the lungs, brought about by the action of the bacillus of necrosis, causing local death of structures in its vicinity. It was not of recent occurrence, and the bird was very thin.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

F. Pitts.—We endeavour to make every item interesting to some reader or other, and our choice as to what shall or shall not be published is controlled only by this desire.

R. Smith.—Articles such as you mention have frequently appeared in our columns. The special article, "The Bird-keeper's Year," published in our 1915 Annual, gives all the particulars about which you enquire, and the very complete work, "Canary Breeding," also published by us, goes much more fully into the matter than would be possible in any article.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—June 19, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street. First N.F. show. All varieties. Birds staged for 2.30. Judge, W. A. Bladon.—J. Whitehead.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—June 26, Foresters' Arms, 7.30. General business.—J. Stirling.

Bradford East O.S.—June 19, Park Chapel Schoolrooms. First Feather members' show. Judge, A. W. Hartley. Birds staged 2.30. Entries Friday night, 8 to 10.—J. Spencer.

Bootle C.B.S.—June 19. First N.F. show. Birds staged 3. Judge, J. W. Metcalfe.—A. E. Huyton.

Bingley O.S.—June 26. Members' F.F. show. Birds staged 2.45. Judge, L. C. Casey, Bradford. Meeting at 5.—F. Craven.

Burnley O.S.—June 19, Star Inn, Church Street. F.F. show. Entries close 15th. For breeders' challenge cup and specials. Judge, Mr. R. Braybrook. Birds staged by 2.—T. Chadwick.

Bradford West C.B.A.—June 19, Shoulder of Mutton, 2.30. Members' show. Judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden. Birds staged at 2. Entries Friday night.—F. P. Terry.

City of Bradford C.S.—June 19, Flying Dutchman, 3. Members' show. Judge, L. Dykes, Bolton Woods.—W. Helliwell.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—June 21, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Young stock show and colour food.—F. A. Green.

Croydon F.A.—June 23, Ruskin House, 8. Arrange schedule, etc., for young stock show, Aug. 11. Judge, Mr. H. Norman.—F. B. Roberts.

Chester-le-Street C.B.S.—June 19, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, 6. Selection of judge N.F. show, annual show schedule, etc.—R. Ward

Chopwell C.B.S.—June 19, Club Hall, 6.30.—W. H. Christer.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—June 19, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 6.30. Business important.—G. S. Lynn.

Darlington C.B.S—June 23, George Hotel, 7.15. Classification re open show, and N.F. business.—F. Stothard.

Derby C.B.S.—June 26, Normanton Hotel, 7.30. Arrangements for N.F. show, July 10. Presentation to Mr. Graham, who is leaving Derby.—F. W. Jordan.

Glasgow and W. Counties.—June 19, 122, Ingram Street, 8. Arrangements for another ramble. Committee only. J. H. Adam.

Halifax O.S.—June 19, Plummet Line Hotel. F.F. members' show. Birds staged 3. Entries taken before staging. Judge, Mr. H. Mallinson, Huddersfield.—H. Clegg.

Hartlepools C.B.S.—June 26, St. Georges, 2.30. F.F. show: 4 Yorks., 4 Norwich, 2 Bord., A.O.V. Can., Mule or Hyb., 3d. per cage, 1s. limit. Mr. E. Woodhead, judge. J. W. Thornton.

Idle C.B.A.—June 26, Springfield Hotel, 2.30. F.F. show. Entries same day. Judge, J. A. Taylor. T. Elsegood.

Leigh C.B.S.—June 23, Railway Hotel, 7. Table N.F. show. Judges, Brooks and Davies, of Bolton. No birds accepted after 7.30. Orders for colour food to be given in. R. Charleston.

Leigh C.B.S.—July 24 and 25, annual N.F. show. Mr. J. W. Clemmison (Preston) judge.—R. Charleston.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—June 27, White Swan, 8. Entries taken for N.F. show.—A. Freestone.

Liverpool B.B.A.—June 19, Oldham Hall 3. N.F. show and British classes. Judges, Messrs. F. Handley and J. Abbott. Local fanciers and friends cordially invited. F. Jones.

Midland Roller C.C.—June 21, Headquarters, Seven Stars, Johns Lane, Wolverhampton, 8. Lecture by Mr. J. H. Willows on the training of the Roller Canary for exhibition. Hearty welcome to all fanciers.—J. W. Thomson.

National British Bird and Mule Club.—June 24, Headquarters, 8. Sub-committee's report re show (important), also discussion on late ramble opened by Mr. J. Robson.—E. Stephens.

National Green-Marked Y.C.C.—June 19, Market Tavern, Bradford, 7.30. Competitions, patronages, etc.—J. Chambers.

North Manchester C.B.S.—June 22, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Entries for F.F. show.—A. Colley.

Oldham C.B.S.—June 22, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. N.F. show June 26. Entries close June 22.—G. Mills.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—June 23, Porth Hotel, 7. Show business and other matters of importance.—J. S. Jones.

Pontypool C.B.S.—June 19, Osborne Restaurant, 7. Special business and exhibition of colour food mixing. N.F. show to be considered.—H. H. Vaughan.

Portsmouth and S. Counties C.B.S.—June 30, Long's Memorial Hall, 8. F.F. show, annual show. Sec. will be pleased to receive cash or return of tickets from the last show.—C. J. Olding.

Queen's Park C.B.S.—June 19, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road. F.F. show; admission 3d., including list of awards. Judge, Mr. J. Dewhurst.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—June 23, Temperance Club, 8. Entries for F.F. show, etc.—J. Coupe.

Sunderland C.B.A.—June 19, Station St. Cafe, 7. N.F. show; birds staged 7. Judge, J. M. Walker. Meeting to follow. Question of various patronages.—J. Peacock.

South London Col. and F.A.—June 24, Royal George, Tanner's Hill, Deptford, 7.30. Show of young birds. Also important debate "What is a novice?" Protect your interests by attending.—Burton Bros.

Stratford and E. London F.S.—June 23, Eagle. N.F. Show. First competition for "Finch Cup" recently presented by Rev. Soames for points in Greenfinch, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite classes. Entries Monday next.—A. Wasey.

Shipley O.S.—June 19. Members' show. Birds staged 2.30. Entries Friday night, 7 to 9, at Headquarters.—Long and Craven.

South-East London F. and F.A.—June 19, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 4.30. Young stock show. Judges, Messrs. A. Maddison and G. Gardner. R. Jackson.

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Tong C.B.S.—June 19. Members' show. Birds staged 3. Judge, Mr. J. Bailey, Bradford. W. Walker.

West Stanley Victoria F.F. and C.B.S.—June 20, Clubroom, 7. Schedule, electing cage bird judge in the place of W. Reed, who has had to resign. R. Hutchinson.

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Wibsey C.B.S.—June 19, Horse and Groom 3. N.F. show. Birds staged at 3. W. Chapman.

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Wood Green F.A.—June 19, Adult School Hall, High Road, 2 till 9. Young stock show. Admission 3d. T. Callegari.

Warrington C.B.S.—June 24, Blue Bell Sale Rooms, 8. F.F. show, June 26. Please bring entries.—H. Warburton.

Y.C.C. of Scotland.—June 26, Newton Temperance Hotel, 85, Ingram Street, Glasgow. Meeting and F.F. show. Birds staged 3. Classification same as last year. Entrance fee 6d. per cage.—W. Priest.

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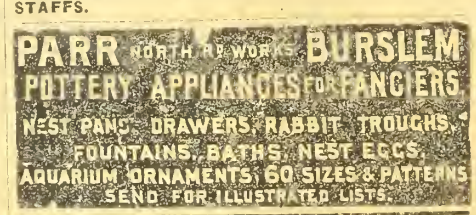
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Twitterings.

Mr. Hugh M. Ferguson, Sec. of Irvine C.B.S., has removed from "Golffields," Irvine, to Victoria Cottage, Hawkhill Road, Ayr.

The Cage Birds watch I had from you on Nov. 10, 1912, writes T. R. Wallace, Falkirk, still keeps excellent time. I should advise any fancier to buy one.

Mr. H. Craven, Plymouth, writes that he won 1st and spl. in the Yellow Variegated Yorks class at the Royal Cornwall Show, not Peters, as in our report.

Mr. E. Hibbert, hon. sec. Walkden Roller Society, writes that the open contest of the society has been fixed for Jan. 15 next. and the members' contest Dec. 4.

The Young Bird show of the City and Suburban A.C.B. will be held on July 5 at the Church Institute, Paddington Street, with 52 classes. The judges will be Mr. H. Norman and Mr. J. Robson.

Owing to our late sec., Mr. J. S. Jones, leaving the district, writes Mr. J. H. Bevan, 172, High Street, Cymmer, Porth, I have undertaken the duties of Sec. to the Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.

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The many friends of W. Vardy, the well-known judge and exhibitor of Norwich, writes Mr. E. Fox, Long Eaton, will be sorry to hear that he is now lying in Nottingham Hospital, having undergone a serious operation. This, however, has saved his life, and he is progressing as well as can be expected

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"Bird Notes" for July, the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, opens with some interesting notes on the Indian Brown-backed Robin, contributed by Mr. H. Whistler, Dr. Lovell-Keays, and Lieut. W. A. Bainbridge; these are illustrated by a coloured plate depicting a pair of these beautiful birds. Other features are: "Nesting Results for 1914," by Dr. Lovell-Keays; "Failures and their Lessons," by Mr. W. Shore-Baily; "My Little Owls," by the Marquis of Tavistock; and "Toucans and Toucanettes," by Mr. F. Dawson-Smith.

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MUSIC HATH CHARMS!

In an article, "The Thrush as Mimic," in "Country Life," Mr. W. H. Hudson says: "When Thrushes taken from the nest are reared in towns where they never hear the Thrush or any other bird sing, they are often exceedingly vocal, and utter a medley of sounds sometimes very distressing to the ear. I have heard many caged Thrushes of this kind in London, but the most remarkable instance I have met with was at the little seaside town of Seaford. Here in the main shopping street a caged Thrush lived for years in a butcher's shop, and poured out its song continuously, the most distressing Throstle performance I ever heard, composed of loud, shrill and harsh sounds—imitations of screams and shouts, boy whistlers, saw filing, knives sharpened on steels, and numerous other unclassifiable noises, but all more or less painful. The whole street was filled with the noise, and the owner used to boast that his Thrush was the most persistent as well as the loudest singer that had ever been heard. He had no nerves, and was proud of it!"

"The Blackbird, like the Thrush, sometimes borrows a note or a phrase, and, like the Thrush again, if reared by hand he may become a nuisance by mimicking some disagreeable sound and using it by way of song. I heard of such a case a short time ago at Sidmouth. The ground floor of the house where I lodged was occupied by a gentleman who had a fondness for bird music, and, being an invalid confined to his rooms, he kept a number of birds in cages. He had, besides Canaries, the Thrush, Chaffinch, Linnet, Goldfinch and Cirl Bunting. I remarked that he did not have the best singer of all—the Blackbird. He said that he had procured one, or that some friend had sent him one, a very beautiful Ouzel-cock in the blackest plumage and with the orange-tawniest bill, and he had anticipated great pleasure from hearing its fluting melody. But alas! no Blackbird song did this unnatural Blackbird sing. He had learnt to bark like a dog, and whenever the singing spirit took him he would bark once or twice or three times, and then, after an interval of silence of the proper length, about fifteen seconds, he would bark again, and so on until he had had his fill of music for the time. The barking got on the invalid's nerves, and he sent the bird away. 'It was either that,' he said, 'or losing my senses altogether.'"

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Why, Certainly!

A correspondent to the "Millgate Monthly" says: "Thrushes and Blackbirds love the cherries, and every year get a share of the crop. I do not mind their raids, though I might adopt preventive measures if I depended on fruit growing for the market. All the same, I do not think we should be too severe on the birds. They can no more help stealing cherries than a cat can resist the temptation to catch a mouse when it sees one." The writer of "Wayside Walks and Talks," who quotes this extract from a letter received, says "This is a very sensible view to take of the subject." Probably he does not himself try to grow cherries.

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SOME POPULAR BRITISH BIRDS

Timely Hints on their Hand-rearing, and Feeding and Management in Captivity.

By R. BLAKE (Ross-on-Wye).

(*Continued from page* 319.)

THE Goldie is rather a late breeder, often not commencing until the middle of May. It generally chooses the branch of an old apple tree, but often builds in the branches of the beech, horse-chestnut, pear, and poplar trees. The neat cup-shaped nest is composed of moss, lichen, and wool, and lined with horse-hair and soft feathers.

The young, if required for hand-rearing, should be taken when about 10 days old, and may be reared on the ordinary egg and biscuit food as given to young Canaries. I have never reared any myself; in fact, I seldom bother to hand-rear any kind of Finches excepting Bullies, for they are so easily procured and steadied that they are not worth the trouble of hand-rearing.

The Care of Freshly-Caught Birds.

Now we come to the Goldie in captivity. Fresh-caught birds need very careful treatment, for up till the time they are caught they have been living on succulent seeds and green-food, and when first caged they should have a plentiful supply of this, together with soaked teazel, rape, canary, and cracked hemp. They should also have a pot of the seed they are to be fed on, gradually reducing the soaked seed as you notice them eating the hard food. Inga is a most useful seed for fresh-caught Goldies, and they should have a liberal supply during the first fortnight of cage life, but it must be reduced as soon as possible, or it will cause trouble.

I find a very satisfactory diet is two parts teazel, one part hemp, one part canary, half-part rape, quarter-part linseed, and about one-eighth part inga. I also give a teaspoonful of wild seed mixture twice a week, and green-food of any kind in season, daily. I am no advocate of the plain canary seed diet, no doubt they can, and do live on it, but they must get very surfeited of it. I think that if we were doomed to live the rest of our lives on bread alone, we should soon hate the very sight of it. Not only that, but canary seed, being somewhat devoid of albuminoids and fats, we must use other seeds to make up this deficiency, and so we use hemp, linseed, rape, etc. Of course, during the summer the birds do not require such a stimulating diet, and through the warm weather I reduce the hemp to about half, and withdraw the linseed altogether, also the inga, just giving a pinch about once a week.

The exhibition Goldfinch should be as large as possible, with a good broad skull. The blaze must be large and square cut, extending as far as possible behind the eyes, and of a rich crimson colour, free from black markings, with the exception of a fine line round the base of the beak. Some birds have altogether too much black round the beak, which spoils the look of them; the black on the head should be deep and glossy, and free from white markings, which will keep any Finch out of competition; the back and breast must be a rich chestnut-brown; the wings must be well carried, the flights evenly buttoned to the tips, and the bars large and rich colour. Type, as in all Finches, should be Norwich, a thick-set, cobby bird generally scores over the "long lean 'uns." They should stand across the perch at an angle of 45 degrees.

The Best of All Pets.

The Bullfinch makes a charming exhibition bird, and is absolutely IT as a pet. He seems to be a special favourite among the ladies, his confiding ways and beautiful plumage apparently taking the eye. The Bullie may easily be taught to take a hemp or sunflower seed from the fingers or lips, or to come out of his cage for a fly round the room, and return to the cage.

About three years ago I had a Bullie, with which I could do almost anything, although he was only once house-moulted, so had not forgotten the "joys of freedom." He accidentally got out of his cage in the garden, and, after paying a visit to several of the neighbouring gardens, returned to his cage after about four hours' liberty. About a fortnight later it got out again, and after hopping about the honeysuckle and eating some of the berries, came back to the cage quite contented. After this I used to let him out regularly every week, usually on Sundays when I could be there, and he would always go in without any trouble, sometimes only staying out about half an hour.

One Sunday early in February I let him out as usual, but he stayed out until the Tuesday, so I did not let him out again until the end of September. After his spending the summer, as he had done, in an outdoor aviary, I was foolish to let him out, and I have not seen him since. I think if I had caged him up for a few weeks previous to letting him out, he would have come back.

The Bullfinch commences to nest about the end of April, and frequently rears two broods in the season. The favourite nesting site is on the horizontal branch of a yew tree, but I have often found the nest in a holly bush. It is rather a coarse structure, the outer framework consisting of fine twigs and coarse roots, and is lined with finer roots, dried grass, and a little horse-hair. The young are fed largely on insects, aphides and small green caterpillars, and Bullies, by destroying an enormous number of these pests in feeding their young, thoroughly compensate for the little damage done in the spring.

The Bullie, when first caged, often goes on hunger strike, but put him in a few privet berries or blackberries, and he will soon come round. Let him have soaked seed at first, as well as a supply of the stock mixture, also a good supply of cracked hemp seed. As soon as he is eating the dry seed I take away the hemp, only using it for taming purposes, and giving it as a tit-bit from the fingers.

The Bullie's Menu.

The stock mixture I use consists of one part canary, ½-part teazle, ¼-part summer rape, ¼-part sunflower, ¼-part linseed. I have never found them get too fat on this diet providing they have a good-sized stock cage. For green-food I give every day whatever is in season. Dandelion, groundsel, chickweed, shepherd's-purse, and common nettle (when seeding) are all relished. I also keep a mixture of gold of pleasure, maw, inga, and sesame, of which I give a teaspoonful once a week. Don't forget to give the Bullie an abundant supply of blackberries and privets, and fruit of any kind, for this is the best kind of colour-food the Bullfinch can have, and with a plentiful supply of such he will shine like a silk hat.

The exhibition Bullfinch should be of good size, and cobby in shape. The most important point is the breast colour, which must be carried well down, and must be very rich and bright. This counts 25 points. He should have a broad skull, with a glossy blue-black cap, coming well under the eye and forming a bib under the beak; and the neck should be short and well filled in, the back a beautiful blue-grey, and the light wing-bar clear and distinct. Rough thighs are a serious handicap to the Bullie, and many otherwise good birds are spoiled by this; the same with scissor wings.

A Hedge-Row Picture.

We now come to the Greenfinch. Perched on the wild rose bush in the autumn or winter, feasting on the orange-coloured berries, he is really a picture. Very few British bird exhibitors are without this common Grosbeak, and he is a most useful bird to the Mule and Hybrid breeder. The Greenie is not at all particular where it places its nest, usually a thick hawthorn hedge, and sometimes in the branch of a yew or fir tree. It is rather a large, loosely constructed nest, composed of coarse roots and dried grass, lined with finer roots and moss.

The young are easily reared with egg-food and a little soaked rape, though I doubt if it is worth the trouble, for they can be purchased so cheaply and are easily steadied. Wild-caught birds breed freely with their own or other species. I have never experienced any difficulty with fresh-caught Greenies. I never use any soaked seed for them, but simply turn them into an outdoor aviary and put them a good supply of canary, teazle, rape and sunflower. I am a great believer in the last-named seed for Greenfinches and Bullfinches, and much prefer it to hemp for them. It is an oily seed, and puts on a nice polish, without creating excessive fat as hemp seed does.

When the Greenies have been in the aviary about a fortnight I cage them up and select the best of them, then let the rest fly. The stock mixture I give is 1 part Canary, ½-part teazel, ½-part rape, and ¼-part each of linseed and sunflower, with green-food *ad lib.* The show bird should be as large as possible, and rich and bright in colour. A broad head with a bold eye, thick-set, and well filled in neck. Chest broad, with a nice curve from the throat to vent. They must have plenty of yellow in the wings and tail. Yellows generally "head the list," but buffs are the bigger birds.

The Chaffinch is another beauty of the Finch family. Its nest is a most beautiful cup-shaped structure, composed of moss, wool, lichen and very fine grass, lined with horse-hair and soft feathers. Indeed the Chaffinch may well be called the feathered architect. The nest is usually placed in a tall hawthorn hedge or in the fork of a fruit tree.

When fresh caught, I put Chaffinches in a large flat cage about 2ft. x 18in. x 16in., with a cloth top—this prevents them doing much damage to themselves. Give them a plentiful supply of soaked seed, also a pot of the stock mixture they are to be fed on. Keep them fairly quiet for the first week or two, then the largest and best-coloured birds can be picked out and put into stock cages. I find they do well on a mixture of 2 part canary, 1 part teazel, ½-part rape, ¼-part linseed, ¼-part cracked sunflower, with a little insectivorous food, and occasionally a mealworm if they will take it.

The Chaffinch for show should be as large as possible, and wedge-shaped, with a good full chest of rich, ruddy colour. The cap must be a nice bright blue, and the wings must be carried perfectly even, and show plenty of white on the shoulders; the back a nice warm brown. Steadiness is a most important thing in a Chaffinch, and counts 30 points on the show bench. He is more like a Bunting to steady, but patience and perseverance generally do the trick. There are birds that cannot be steadied, and the best thing to do with such is to let them fly. I once kept a Bramblefinch for nearly two years, but it required the patience of Job to steady him. He dashed about like a fresh-caught bird when anyone approached him, and I finally let him go in disgust.

The Best Kind of Cage.

I think the most satisfactory stock cage for any British Finch is of the box pattern, 18in. x 12in. x 10in. This size cage will give plenty of exercise, and with an occasional run into a show will keep them in hand. I give them a bath every day, summer and winter. I moult them all in an outdoor aviary, give an abundance of wild seeds, fruit and berries, and also add a little more linseed to the stock mixture towards the end of the moult. When caged up again they are in grand form. Fresh air, plenty of natural food, and the bath are the things essential to condition. Above all, don't forget to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest CAGE BIRDS every week, and you will not go far wrong.

POINTS ON WHICH LIGHT IS WANTED.

A paper read by Mr. G. H. THURLEY (Tottenham), before the members of the City and Surburban A.C.B.

WHEN our worthy secretary asked me, on the occasion of my visit to him in the early part of the year, whether I was prepared to initiate any discussion on some birdy problem, I was at first inclined to beg to be let off, but when I thought of the many hours he ungrudgingly gives to the Association on our behalf, I decided that I should be very ungrateful if I did not try to do some little thing to help, hence my few notes this evening.

In making out these notes I have several objects in view, and these I hope will manifest themselves as I go along. First and foremost, I am hoping that at the conclusion of this short paper all Canary breeders in the room will unhesitatingly give their views, so that an interesting discussion may result, and I shall then feel amply compensated for my small individual effort.

Different Fanciers, Different Ideas.

Some six or seven years ago, when I started bird breeding, I read everything I could come across, asked innumerable questions of every fancier I met, and tried in every way possible to get hold of all available information. But as I proceeded with this policy I found that the ideas of different men on the same subject were as widely different as the men themselves. In fact, it seems to me that on many of the principles which should underlie bird breeding we are hopelessly ignorant. We are far too content to go on year after year, quite satisfied if we get a good average of youngsters, reared without any attempt to try and discover what laws, if any, govern our results.

I am well aware that the Canary is looked upon as a sport; a lecturer said the same in this room only a short time ago. But this, I take it, only referred to the type. A Canary has always been a bird; this is self-evident, for we certainly do not go to the nest-pan and find that the eggs have produced reptiles or anything of that order. The sportive tendency, therefore, must show itself in other directions, and one of the most prominent, perhaps, is colour. Many of our finest types of florists' flowers have originated as sports, but by careful selection these sports have become absolutely fixed, so that at least 50 per cent. come true to type from seed.

In Pursuit of the Yellows.

The same result, however, is not attained in Canary breeding, and I am strongly of the opinion that this is due very largely to carelessness in the selection of our breeding birds. By carelessness I mean want of thought for everything except as viewed from the exhibition standpoint. One of the first points that I met with both in books and in Canary articles was that the cock influences the colour and the hen the type of the youngsters. Well, like most beginners, I was very anxious to breed some good yellows. Accordingly I have used a large percentage of yellow cocks, but my results have not been in accordance with the views usually expressed.

If you will tolerate a few figures, I will give you my exact results for last season:—No. 1, yellow cock and buff hen, 8 young, 3 yell., 5 buff; No. 2, ditto, 3 young, 2 yell., 1 buff; No. 3, yellow mkd. cock, buff hen, 8 young, 1 yell., 7 buff; No. 4, buff cock and mkd. yell. hen, 4 young, 1 mkd. yell., 3 mkd. buff; No. 5, yell. cock and buff hen, 3 young, 1 yell., 2 buff; No 6, mkd. yellow cock and buff hen, 4 young, 1 mkd. yell., 3 mkd. buff; No. 7, mkd. yellow cock and buff hen, 6 young, all buff; No. 8, yellow cock and cap buff hen, 4 young, all buff. Summarising these results, we obtain these figures: From seven yellow cocks I got 36 youngsters; of these 8 were yellow and 28 buff. That is a percentage of 22¼ yellows. I have ignored the results from No. 4 pair, in which was the only buff cock I used, as I consider the results from any single pair could not form the basis of a conclusion.

If we now consider these pairings a little more deeply, and study as far as we can the predecessors of these birds, it may be interesting: Nos. 1 and 2 I bought of a celebrated breeder, who gave up some eighteen months ago, and my sole reason for doing so was that when I entered his room I was struck with the large number of yellows he had. He pointed out an old cap yellow cock, and this he said was the ancestor of much of his stock. You will note that from these two birds I got 11 youngsters, 5 yellows and 6 buffs, a percentage of 45 yellows. Further, I ran one of these cocks with a feeding hen, and she threw me three youngsters, all yellow; one of these three was the hen I sold at the pair show.

Nos. 3 and 6 were cocks I bred myself in 1912. These were from a yellow cock and a heavily marked buff hen. These gave a percentage of 25 yellows. Nos. 5, 7 and 8 were all bred from buff cocks and yellow hens and gave me a percentage of only 8 yellows.

Now when by using yellow cocks one is able to produce only 25 per cent. of yellow young, I am much afraid I cannot at present subscribe to the theory that the male bird influences the colour to the extent that some would have us believe. I am well aware that one must not attempt to draw too definite conclusions from such small figures, but if, as I hope, some other members will take up the study of this point we may be able to produce some tangible results.

What Really Governs Colour?

If I am asked what does govern colour, I must candidly confess I shall be unable to give a definite answer. I am strongly of opinion that it is the method of breeding that will supply the solution, and I think it will be found by an application of the following principles. No doubt you will have noticed that in more than one sphere of animal life some males much more than others seem to have the power, or at any rate the pre-disposing property, of stamping their own characteristics, and, if I may use the word, individuality, on their offspring. Is there no one in this room who does not know of a family, the junior members of which resemble the father much more than the mother, or where the majority of the children are boys, or vice versa? Have not any of you some birds that seem to have the power of reproducing their own qualities, whether those of colour, shape, or feather, much more strongly than others?

It is not my intention to pursue this line or argument any further, interesting as it is, but only to use it as a guide.

(To be continued).

Correspondence.

Breeding Bullfinches in Captivity.

SIR,—Mr. Stanley Dare, in the last issue of CAGE BIRDS, asks if it is possible to breed Bullies in confinement. Some years ago a lady member of our Bedford Society turned out a pair of Bullies in a small green-house, fixed up a branch of a tree in one corner, and placed therein a nest-pan. A nest was built, and young ones raised, and I had the pleasure on several occasions of secing the hen building, sitting, and feeding her young. I hope Mr. Dare will be equally successful.

J. C. WILMOT.

A Reader Sends Thanks.

SIR,—Please let Mr. Claude St. John know that I have followed the advice given in his answer to my question re Canary with swelling round eye, as given in CAGE BIRDS of June 5, and the swelling has nearly disappeared; in fact, his advice has saved the life of a very good hen, and she has recovered so nicely that she is getting ready to nest again. It is a great help to those who keep birds to get CAGE BIRDS every week and profit by the information contained in each week's number.

J. PAWLEY.

The Ordeal by Water.

SIR,—The following unique experience may commend itself to your readers. On June 5 I was expecting some young Canaries to hatch, early in the morning. By three o'clock the youngsters had not arrived, so I prepared to test the eggs by placing them in hot water. As I was lifting one of the eggs out of the hot water it fell into a basin partly full of cold water, and the shell smashed. I felt sure the young bird was alive, so I put the egg back into the nest, although I was very dubious as to the result. In spite of the above the bird hatched out, and is still living. Is this a record?

H. ODELL.

"Cage Birds" in the Dardanelles

SIR,—Just a few lines to let you know that I have had the good old paper, CAGE BIRDS, sent to me in the trenches out here, and it makes one feel quite cheerful to read about the doings in one's favourite hobby. Please give my kind remembrance to the Manchester and Northern Counties O.S. through your paper, as I was a member of that society before the war. I am sorry to say I had to part with all my birds when the war broke out, but I hope to start again when I return. I might say I have had your valuable paper sent to me through the kind thoughts of my wife. I wish the members of the M. and N.C.O.S. every success during the breeding season.

E. RAPER.

Colour Feeding Without Eggs.

SIR,—Would you ask through CAGE BIRDS' correspondence columns for some brother fancier to give a good receipt for mixing colour food without the use of eggs? Eggs at twopence each mean a great expense for a working man, when he has to colour-feed about 30 Yorkshires. I should be very grateful for any information. I may say that my young birds have already commenced to moult now, June 19. Also I would like to know how to feed Green Yorkshires for colour.

E. WILLIAMS.

[Articles on the makng of soft food without eggs have appeared from time to time in our columns, and the matter is also fully treated in the article "How to reduce the food bill," by Mr. Claude St. John, which appears in CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL for 1915. All the same, we shall be glad to publish any ideas from readers which may help our correspondent.—Editor "C.B."]

The Recent Welsh National Show.

A Gratifying Result.

SIR,—As intimated recently through the medium of your esteemed paper, the accounts in respect to the above show needed the final audit at the hands of the official auditors, Messrs. Rev. C. B. Jolliffe and H. C. Smith. This task has now been accomplished, and has revealed the pleasing fact that a profit of no less than £17 10s. was available for the Prince of Wales's Fund, which was duly handed to Claude Williams, Esq., the esteemed President of the Society, and gratefully acknowledged. On behalf of my colleagues I take this opportunity of again expressing thanks for and appreciation of the manner in which the Fancy generally rallied round the venture, and assured so gratifying a result.

E. W. ALLSOPP,
Hon. Sec.

A Fertile Twite-Canary Mule.

SIR,—Mr. Meek, of Hunstanton, writes to say he has fertile eggs from his Twite-Canary Mule, and hen Canary. He wrote to me last year and claimed to have bred this cross, and proposed sending it to some show where I was judging, so that I could see it, but the difficulty in sending birds by rail, and scarcity of shows that were easily got at from Hunstanton, prevented him doing so. H. NORMAN.

The Craze for Size in Norwich Plainheads.

SIR,—I thank Mr. Brown for his correction, and I gladly withdraw my comment so far as the matter of size is concerned. It is evident, however, that our Plymouth friend has not receded from the view of the Cinnamon variety, or at any rate its breeders, having accomplished a better ideal than found in the Plainheads, and it would be interesting to have his whole case in support thereof.

E. W. ALLSOPP.

Nothing Succeeds Like Success.

More Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids.

SIR,—I am pleased to report further progress with Song-Thrush-Blackbird Hybrids. In the second nest there have hatched out four young, and they are all doing well. They are ten days old to-day, June 15, the mother Blackbird still doing all the feeding. The first two are now feeding well on soft food, though unfortunately the best marked one has gone wrong in the feet.

T. H. ANDERSON.

Canary Breeding in Newfoundland.

SIR,—Thanks for sending on the copies of your excellent paper, as ordered. I have now ordered CAGE BIRDS through a local newsagent, so I hope to get it regularly. I thoroughly enjoy it, and am trying to breed a few Norwich Plainheads and Border Fancies. I have got eight youngsters on the perches now. For a working man it is an expensive hobby here, for one cannot get seeds, material, and birds as fanciers can at home, besides having not the best of climates (in winter) for birds. Luckily we have hot-water heating. Singing Canaries bring good prices, so we are hoping to at least clear expenses. As for breeding, I know of no one else trying it at present here. I have already ordered some of the books you publish, and have St. John's "Canary Breeding," which is my directory.

A. BROWN.

St. John's, Newfoundland.

Proposed Fanciers' Protection Association.

SIR,—I was pleased to read in CAGE BIRDS of June 12 that there is to be a Protection Association, and I should have been more pleased if you had seen your way to take a hand in the working of the same. I hope yet that you can come to some working arrangement, as it is my opinion that we are in need of such a body. I would ask that those forming the association put men into the various offices who are real fanciers, and not men that are in the Fancy for what they can get out of it, if not directly, indirectly; that is, by being in office they can buy and sell at an advantage. I also would suggest that the committee open up a bit wider, as by the reading of the letter they propose to deal only with dealers and others who make false declarations as to sex, etc., of birds. I propose that they take in fraudulent practices at shows, such as showing birds that are not one's own property, and some other things that we know of. We in the Bird Fancy seem to be a long way behind, for all other fancies have a governing body, and it seems strange that we have let drop out of existence first the Cage Bird Club and then the Cage Bird Union. What is the cause? Is there so much jealousy about that we cannot agree? Surely not. But if so, it is time we purge ourselves from such and start another governing body. I am at one with the fanciers who wish to purify the Fancy, as I know there are good men connected with the same, so if the association can be formed and should come to a sound understanding, I shall be one of the first to become a member. Wishing our only bird paper every success.

T. R. WALLACE.

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The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

SIR,—Mr. Bastock is nothing if not candid, even in the manner in which he relegates the most important matter to a back seat, after admitting good heads in our breed have been secured even with the Cinnamon, in addition to the Crestbred cross. I believe with a little pressing he would also admit that he had bred or seen quite decent heads produced from the Yorkshire cross, and really when he came to reflect, even the old-fashioned cross with the Lizard left the Plainheads with quite decent heads. Then no doubt he would make a determined stand against the introduction of the Scotch or Belgian cross; much too snipy and snaky, no doubt; but would compromise easily regarding the Lancashire cross by admitting if no better than the Crestbred; it was certainly little worse.

As a matter of fact to-day, as for years past, the ideal Plainhead is the envy and despair of every breeder excepting perhaps my Birmingham friend. With sufficient feather of good quality, the ideal head can in effect be produced *ad lib.* In the early show season we note the wide entrance, the bold sweeping rise of the skull, the gentle fall into the more massive curves of the body, which only finally lose themselves when entering the straight of its tail. When a higher level of condition is reached, say in January or February, those same captivating heads are all more or less marked by pinched, narrow, and flat entrances, and browing, guttering, twists and horns. Indeed the only portion of the head that always seems to hold its own against everything is the portion of the skull behind the eyes. Never any flatness there, even when the cock is singing the hen round the cage. And why? Simply because it is naturally in structure just what breeders require. When it comes, however, to the skull from the base of the beak, almost for the distance to the eyes, we are up against an arrangement that is not naturally adapted to what we require; for instead of a broadly rising skull, commencing from the base of the beak, upon which it would be impossible for the bird to show any flatness, no matter how ridiculous he made himself in other respects, we have to contend with a flat plateau from which the skull proper rises all too late, that is to please us, of course. Some better student of avian physiology than myself can no doubt explain the why and wherefore of this dreary flat region. Sufficient for us is to recognise its existence, and whilst we get over this defect (to us) by plentifully padding with feather, the fact must not be lost sight of that the progressive, plodding breeder, whilst accepting effect for the time being, is yet anxious to breed a skull which shall truly be ideal. It is because such breeders are up against a tampering or attempted structural alteration that they realise the gravity of their task, and recognise that more than their possibly long lifetime will not bring about any visible change. This is why our Plainhead heads are truly little, if any, better than those of 25 or 50 years ago. In effect I know they are better by reason of their more massiveness, in harmony as it were with our massive bird of to-day: and because of the freer application of feather or padding. Some may argue this is getting down too much to the science of the matter. What is fancy breeding but a science: and is it not better for the beginner to realise exactly what he is up against, and how little progress, the real progress, can be marked even in a lifetime? Hundreds of beginners are under the impression that the ideal type of skull, the permanently good head, exists in the rooms of the star breeders, birds which money cannot buy. Quite true the latter, because such perfect skulls are non-existent, and therefore cannot be bought. To those pessimists who would say such a desirable type of skull cannot be accomplished, I would point to the Pigeon fancy, for there are breeds of widely divergent types of skull. Take the Homer, the Owl, or Turbit, all produced, I understand, from a common stock. Mr. Bastock may boast of his successful crosses, but I defy him to turn to any one variety of Canary that will better remedy the present structural formation of skull in our breed than any other. The Crestbred may at first thoughts seem to be just the cross, but the well padded entrance characteristic of the breed only brings effect, not progress. Is Mr. Bastock out for real progress, or only effect? Mr. Brown, I know, is for something lasting, so are many silent breeders, that is why they realise breeding of the ideal specimen in a long lifetime, or the attainment, even in a small measure, of the end to which they have been working is worth the candle. Instead of suggesting an outcross for heads, encourage the small beaks, for where these are smallest there seems less disposition for the flat entrance, and some encouragement for the skull to rise earlier in its life or career. E. W. ALLSOPP.

Snap Shots From Sheffield.

To add interest to the meetings of the Sheffield C.B.S. it was arranged to have at the meeting of June 4 a competition consisting of original papers contributed by the members, and by the kindness of Mr. E. Sisson, assist. sec., we are able to publish these in the interests of our readers.

Breeding Procedure in Brief.

STOCK should be purchased in November, if possible. The cocks should be placed in separate cages and the hens in good large flight cages, during the winter. Chief diet, plain canary seed. Black rape given twice a week is useful to both cocks and hens, half-teaspoonful each bird. As a tit-bit give apple or banana twice a week. February, give half-teaspoonful per bird, three times per week, of the following mixture:—hemp, maw, teazle, gold of pleasure and summer rape. March, same as February, but on alternate days give half-teaspoonful of egg and bread, or egg and biscuit; also a sprig of watercress or dandelion twice a week. These should bring your birds into breeding form by end of March.

Thoroughly examine your stock from the relationship and type and size points of view. Avoid pairing birds with the same faults. When paired give them a little moss to "play" with. When you find the hen commence sleeping in the nest-pan see that she has a good nest. When the young are 26 or 28 days old they will generally feed themselves.

If the youngsters are at all promising commence at once preparing them for the show bench, aiming at getting the birds steady. When 8 to 10 weeks old commence to colour-feed them, giving it weak at first, gradually increasing the strength. Shade your birds, but don't keep them in the dark, as "Light is Life."—"ORION."

The Life Story of a Ticked Norwich

MY early recollections are rather limited. I found myself in a warm, snugly-lined nest along with two others of my kind. My life was in jeopardy in the first two or three days of my existence. Owing to my natural love of warmth I had crept into my mother's feathers and was having a peaceful nap when someone stepped suddenly into the room. My mother made a flying exit from the nest and nearly carried me with her. However, I still breathe!

My greatest difficulty seemed to be to get enough to eat, but thanks to an attentive mother and a pushing disposition, I arrived at last on the nest pan edge ready to launch myself into the world. After shivering on the brink for some time I took the fateful leap and landed on the cage floor. I proceeded to hop around, and after a few unsuccessful attempts managed to reach and balance on a perch.

The next important crisis I remember was being taken from Ma. How I cried when I was hungry and she was not there to feed me! I waited for her until I thought I should die, then espied something in a little white pot on the floor. Shyly I approached it and thrust in my beak. Hey, presto! it was egg food, and after a good feed I slept for some time. Days slipped by, with constant fights, etc., until one day my master, coming up to the cage, hung on a smaller one, and chased me into it with a stick. I resented this at first, but soon began to understand it was where I had to display my good points, and so eventually I managed to attain a correct pose.

In a week or two I was put into one of these small cages, specially clean, and taken out in a dark box. I eventually found myself in a large room, and standing in a long row, with scores of others of my kind. After careful handling by a stranger (I afterwards heard he was the "judge") I was moved about a great deal. Presently I found myself in a permanent position, with a piece of red cardboard fastened in the top corner of my cage.

I was only in my nest feathers then, and as the season was getting on I began to feel off colour. I started to lose a few feathers, but before this I had had a new sort of food. It was a bright red. When first I tasted it I did not like it, but after noticing it had a warm, soothing effect on me, I ate greedily. I am now of a bright orange colour, and the improvement is evidently due to this red food. I went out to the shows, and had several cards on my cage, including a good number of red ones.

I am now in possession of a wife. My attempts at connubial bliss were at first a bit boisterous, but after settling down I became the father of three youngsters. I hope they will be as successful as their father, for my master is kindness itself and deserves their best endeavours. I am perfectly happy, and as I finish this epistle I am singing to the glorious sunlight which streams through the window.—"TICKED NORWICH."

(To be continued.)

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KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Commercial Hotel, Sat., June 19; 28 birds entered for three prizes; 1, 2, Collinson; 3, Plows. Timekeepers, J. Cooper and O. Potter; tappers, A. Cooper and J. Wallis. Open sing, Sat., July 2, at 3.—R. Plows, Sec.—(Advt.)

CASTLEFORD.

Members' sing, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, June 12, for three prizes; four minutes time singing; 1, 2, Morley; 3, Brindley. Open sing, June 13; 1, 2, Wainwright and Brindley; 3, Nelson. Members' sing, June 19, for three prizes; four minutes' time singing: 1, Nelson; 2, Barnes; 3, Watkiss. Open sing, June 20: 1, Collingson; 2, Morley; 3, Watkiss.—S Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, club sing, June 19; 41 entered for four prizes four minutes' time singling. 1, Scotson; 2, Pugh; 3, 4, Beard. Open sing, June 20. 36 entered for four prizes three minutes time singing; 1, Nelson; 2, 3, shared Pugh and Scotson; 4, Blackshear. There was a match after the sing between Mr. Pugh and Mr. Bull. Mr. Bull beat Mr. Pugh by a second.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEEDS.

Linnet contest, Clarence Hotel, Skinner Lane, June 19; 24 birds competed. 1 and silver medal, Hirst; 2, Hutchinson; 3, 4, Richardson. Judges, C. Biss, S. Butterfield; A. Bryan, timekeeper. June 20, 23 birds competed; 1, 2, Johnson; 3, 4, Hodgson. Judges, T. Somers, C. Biss. Timekeeper, S. Butterfield.—A. Lawrence, Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, open contest for quality Linnet singing held June 19; 18 birds sang for three prizes; 1, Naylor; 2, Gommersal; 3, Hayes. Judges, Crane and Jennings. June 20; 19 sang for three prizes; 1, Naylor; 2, Parker; 3, Sissons. Judges, Hardcastle, Butler, Appleyard.—W. Naylor, Sec.

Leeds Quality Singing Linnet Club contest, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds, June 18; 20 birds competed. Judges, P. Madden, J. Wright. 1, C. Lorriman; 2, Turner; 3, A. Lorriman. June 19, very good contest; 24 contested. T. Soloman, J. Wright, Hayes judges. 1, 2, Turner and C. Lorriman shared; 3, A. Lorriman; 4, Booth. Members please note that we are giving two gold medals.—F. Turner, Sec.

Club Reports.

IRVINE C.B.S.

Meeting Masonic Hall, June 19; Mr. G. Raeside presided. Decided that there should be no F.F. show this season. The sec., who has removed to Ayr, will retire from office in Nov. Next meeting Masonic Hall, June 26, 7.30.—H. M. Ferguson, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting June 16, Porth Hotel, chair Mr. Legg, and a very good attendance. Show business was gone through. Specials were offered by Escott and James, D. Gilbert, Baker, and T. Emanuel for F.F. show. Very satisfactory report from auditors, showing a good financial nest egg to the society. Notice of motion re cup. The chief item of the evening was the presentation to the late sec., J. S. Jones, on the eve of his departure. A medal was given as a token for valuable services rendered. Mr. Jones expressed his gratitude for same. The Meeting closed after wishing Mr. Jones God-speed.—J. H. Bevan, Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

Meeting, June 15, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley Street, Mr. French chair. Judges elected for second N.F. schow, June 3:—Mr. Olver, Yorks., Cinn., and A.O.V.; Mr. Rowe, Nor. and Crest; Mr. Smale, Brit. and For. Birds staged 7.30. It was decided to apply for Southern Border F.C. patronage. Mr. Brown gave a grand paper on the Cinnamons which was full of practical knowledge, the members present declaring that it was the best paper that they had heard, being full of instructive matter from beginning to end; in fact, if the Cinnamon breeders were to follow out what was read they would not go wrong in breeding some good birds and know how they were bred. Members absent missed a grand treat. Questions were put to Mr. Brown, who answered them to the satisfaction of all. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Brown closed a pleasant evening.—W Luscombo.

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COWDENBEATH C.B.S.

Social, Raith Arms, June 19, to do favour to Mr. Johnmar, gamekeeper, Nae Moor Estate, for his valuable services rendered to the members in their recent rambles A walking stick, suitably inscribed, was handed over to Mr. Johnman by Mr. J. Sneddon, chairman. Songs rendered by members and friends completed a most enjoyable evening.—T. Menzies.

WEST OF SCOTLAND O.S.

Meeting June 5th, Mr. W. Wood presiding. Classification for F.F. show was taken up, and is as follows: Crests, 4 classes, Nor. 5, Yorks. 2, Bord. 5. Messrs. Houston and Smart judges. Birds staged 4 p.m., July 3, Nelson Temp. Hotel. Messrs. Hunter and McLuskey, Glasgow; Mr. J. Fraser Johnstone and G. Lawrie, Govan, elected members. —Wm. Hutchison, Sec.

GLASGOW (East End) O.A.

Meeting May 25, Parish School, President Mr. A. McMillan chair. The most important business was in connection with our F.F. show, June 29. Agreed that entry be 3d. per bird, Mr. John Muir volunteered to give specials for best Bord., best Nor. Sec. was asked to write absent members reminding them of show. New member proposed. Meeting closed in usual manner.—D. Burnett, Sec.

PELTON FELL C.B.S.

Meeting, 7 o'clock, June 26, for important business to select judges for annual show, and to settle a date to suit members of different societies, also to arrange a class for novices. There are several shows on Nov. 6th, and we might try and shift our date to suit members. N.F. show is July 3, with 19 classes. Come and welcome. 5s. a year; 1s. goes to each class at N.F. show; meeting at 7.—J. Stanger.

CUMBERLAND & WESTMORLAND

Meeting June 16, Furnace Road Hall, Maryport; a good number attended, Mr. John Nixon presiding. After a very interesting debate on this year's breeding season, it was resolved that owing to such a bad season the N.F. show be cancelled for this year. It is hoped that the members will forward their annual subscriptions as early as possible. The club has granted its patronage to Carlisle for the show, Oct. 27 and 28.—J. S. Head, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE C.C.

Meeting held Market Tavern, Bradford, June 19, for the allocation of the club's patronage. The draw resulted as follows:—Skelmanthorpe, Bradford City, Bradford West, Queensbury, Huddersfield, Carlisle, Bradford National, Great Horton, Bradford East, and Halifax C.B.A. Four new members were admitted. Fanciers desirous of joining should send on their names to be included in the club's handbook, which will be published shortly.—J. Greaves, Sec.

LARKHALL C.B.A.

Meeting, June 12, Y.M.C.A. Hall, Mr. Rundall, President, chair. Decided to hold F.F. show Aug. 7. Judging at 6 prompt. Classes: Nor. yell., ditto buff, Bord. yell., ditto buff, Yorks., Mule or Hyb., A.O.V. The following gentlemen have kindly consented to judge our annual show Oct. 30: Nor., Mr. T. Morrison, Burnbank; Bord., Mr. W. S. Wilson, Hamilton; Brit., Mr. R. V. Raine, Glasgow. Next meeting, July 10; first annual drive to Tinto Hill, on Glasgow Fair Saturday.—T. J. McGregor.

ALTRINCHAM (Open) C.B.S.

Meeting June 16, Station Cafe, Mr. Harrison presiding over a moderate attendance. Two new members were made, and arangements adopted for N.F. show, July 17. Afterwards three novice members, Messrs. C. Leah, G. Foster, and A. Broadhent, gave papers, stating reasons for keeping different varieties of birds, the chief being British, British Softbills, and Mule and Hybrid breeding. Much interest was taken in their various experiences, and a lot of helpful discussion followed. At the close they were accorded a vote of thanks. Next meeting June 30. Sanitation of bird-room.—C. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

SHETTLESTON CARNTYNE C.B.S.

Meeting Academy Cafe, June 19th, Pres. Mr. Henerie chair. New members elected: Mr. Thomson, Partick and Mr. Robertson, Lightburn. Classes for F.F. Show, July 3, arranged: 4 Nor., 4 Bord., 1 Crest or C.B., 2 Yorks., 2 Scotch Fancies, 1 Mule or Hybrid. Decided to have a tea after judging, and that members and friends only be allowed into the show, owing to the hall not being very large. judging commences at 4. Monthly meeting be held on show date, owing to regular meeting night falling during the Glasgow Fair Holidays. Members are requested not to let the sec. carry home the medal offered for most entries.—J. Irvine. Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting, June 18, Maskells Hotel, Mr. Whetton presided. Agreed that Mr. Whetton judge Yorks., Mr. Maggs Nor., and Mr. E. J. Davis Borders, Mules, and Brit. The show will be held on July 21st, at Naish Royal Stores, The Hayes. The following specials were promised: Mr. E. J. Banks, 10s. 6d.; Mr. Whetton, 2s. 6d.; Mr. H. C. Smith, 2s. 6d., and three 2s. specials by Mr. A. Ball; wristlet watch, Mr. Brailli. I require a special for the Yorks. section; will a member please oblige. Messrs. Russell, E. Jance, and D. J. Lewis elected members. Members who wish to compete for specials must pay up subs. according to rule. We hope to have a paper on colour feeding at next monthly meeting. I trust all the members will attend.—E. Thomas, Sec.

NORTHERN BRITISH M. & F.B.C.

I have been instructed by the members of the above specialist club to thank Mr. R. Tindal for the beautiful silver cup he kindly gave to be competed for over a series of table shows. His action was greatly appreciated, seeing that Mr. Tindal is not a British bird fancier. I would like to remind members, who are members of the Newcastle C.B.S., that Mr. Tindall is going to judge our section at the N.F. show, July 3rd, and I hope they give him a bumping entry to show their appreciation.—W. Curry, Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, headquarters, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, June 2, Mr. J. H. De Maillett, chair, with a poor attendance, perhaps due to fanciers being busy with the birds, or working overtime on Government work. New members elected: Messrs. Branch, Ellison, Minton, Price, and Richards. These new members will be eligible to enter for the N.F. show, July 3, at above address; birds staged 2.30. Show opens at 4, a good schedule has been arranged, and there will be something like eight 2s. 6d. specials for classes which will be named in schedule. Entry fees will be divided among the 1, 2, and 3 prize-winners. 2d. will be deducted from 8d. entries for working expenses. Send entries early, and let us see every member present. Next meeting July 7th, at 8. Prize-money will be distributed.—A. C. Shirley, Assist. Sec.

NATIONAL GREEN-MARKED Y.C.C

Meeting held at Bradford 19 June, Mr. H. H. Towers chair. Members elected: Messrs. J. Gelder (Halifax), C. Collins, and N. Collins (Collins Bros.), E. Wilman, and R. Garnett. The club's patronage was granted to the following ten shows, which were drawn from the thirteen applications for same. Oct. 9, Shipley; Oct. 23, Bradford West; Nov, 6, Manningham; Nov. 13, Queensbury; Nov. 20, Huddersfield; Dec. 3, 4, Bradford National; Jan. 1, Windhill; Jan. 8, Great Horton O.S.; Jan. 15, Bradford East, and Jan. 22, Halifax C.B.S. Mr. W. A. Cowgill was unanimously elected President for 1915-16, in place of Mr. W. H. Shackleton, who regrets that he cannot spare the necessary time to attend the meetings. The following were elected on committee as the club's representatives in their various districts: Mr. W. H. Hamlyn (Harrogate); E. Clegg (Dewsbury); T. Slater (Keighley), W. T. Furness (Sheffield), C. E. Hall (Leeds), and E. Stobart (Sowerby Bridge). Mr. S. Midgley was elected on committee.—J. Chambers, Hon. Sec.

The Shows.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Table show, headquarters, June 5. Mr. W. Hall judged, and gave entire satisfaction; 83 birds were staged, Norwich being the feature of the evening.

YELL. YORKS. (13): 1, 4, Dobson; 2, Norton; 3, Baldwinson; vhc, Senior; hc, Bott; c, Yelland. BUFF (10): 1, 3, Dobson; 2, Bott; 4, Yelland; vhc, Watkinson; hc, Norton; c, Baldwinson. YELL. NOR. (13): 1, Wilson; 2, Baldwinson; 3, Chambers; 4, c, Lamb; vhc, Heald; hc, Senior. BUFF (21): 1, Livingstone; 2, Chambers; 3, c, Heald; 4, vhc, Lamb; hc, Wilson. A.O.V. CAN. (4): 1, 3, Mennard; 2, 4, Yelland. LINNET, ETC. (9): 1, Simpson; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Owen; hc, c, Middleton. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (6): 1, 4, hc, Owen; 2, Pyrah; 3, Middleton; vhc, Simpson. A.O. HARDBILL (7): 1, Pyrah; 2, 3, hc, Middleton; 4, vhc, c, Owen. The leaders in each section are: Yorks., R. Dobson 19, F. Bott and E. Norton 8 each; Norwich: J. Lamb and J. Chambers, 11 each; British: J. Owen 17, E. Middleton 15.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

EAST HAM C.B.S.

F.F. show, June 12, in the Town Hall, a very central and commodious building. Although members had not been very successful with their first round, about 100 birds were staged. Quality was excellent, and the Norwich, as a section, were particularly good, although Mr. Farmer's grand cinn. tkd. Yorks won spl. for best in show and spl. best amateur. Spl., best champ. went to Mr. Parker's cinn. Nor., a bird of fine col. and substance. The novice spl. was won by Mrs. Stopher's yell. Nor., a very typical bird. Mr. Onslow, Sec., had everything quite in order, and the gathering was a complete success. He was assisted by a strong committee—Messrs. Webb, Bennett, Potten, Daw, Taylor, Burrows, Ferridge, Evans, Wadsworth, Gedge, and Pash. Mr. H. Norman judged.

Ch. Yorks: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Parker. Amat. Yell.: 1, Farmer; 2, 3, Wilkins. Buff: 1, Farmer; 2, 3, Wilkins. Var.: 1, Farmer; 2, 3, Wilkins. Nov.: 1, 2, 3, Collinge; vhc, Ballard. Champ. Nor.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Taylor. Amat. Yell.: 1, 3, Fleet; 2, Gedge. Buff: 1, 3, Fleet; 2, vhc, Marshall. Var.: 1, 2, Marshall; 3, hc, Gedge; vhc, c, Fleet. Nov. Nor. Yell.: 1, Mrs. Stopher; 2, 3, Mrs. Ballard; vhc, Ferridge; hc, Rowlings; c, Rule. Buff: 1, 2, Bloomfield; 3, Mrs. Stopher; vhc, Rawlings; hc, c, Bullen. Var.: 1, 3, hc, Mrs. Ballard; 2, Rule; vhc, Mrs. Stopher. Amat. Bord.: 1 2, vhc, Potten; 3, hc, Kyhert. Nov.: 1, 2, Hammond; 3, Onslow. Var.: 1, Hammond; 2, 3, Daw; vhc, Onslow. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Parker. Amat. Crest: 1, Fleet. Goldf.: 1, Rawlings; 2, Wadsworth. Linnet: 1, Ferridge; 2, Oliver; 3, Wadsworth; vhc, Parker. Siskin: 1, Oliver; 2, Pask and Webb; 3, Wadsworth; vhc, Parker. A.O.V.: 1, Oliver; 2, vhc, Parker; c, Dalton. For.: 1, Oliver.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.

First members' N.F. show, Liberal Club, June 12. 26 members put down 81 birds amongst which were some very promising winners. The Assist. Sec., Mr. P. Hirst, had everything in good order and was well assisted by Messrs. Peel and Wadsworth as stewards. Mr. T. Bentley (Cleckheaton) judged and gave satisfaction.

Champ. Cl. Yell. (6): 1, Fisher and Dyson; 2, vhc, Hirst; 3, F. Taylor; 4, Everett; hc, Hutchinson. Buff (14): 1, Hirst; 2, Jebson; 3, A. Radley; 4, F. Taylor; vhc, Fisher & Dyson; hc, Peel; c, Hutchinson. Tkd. Yell. (6): 1, Hellewell; 2, L. Dyson; 3, Fisher & Dyson; 4, Hirst; vhc, Hutchinson; hc, Everett. Buff (8): 1, 3, Hutchinson; 2, Fisher and Dyson; 4, hc, Everett; vhc, Wadsworth; c, L. Dyson. Nov. Cl. Yell. (6): 1,' Beaumont; 2, 4, Lodge; 3, H. Dyson; vhc, P. Taylor; hc, A. Heeley. Buff (11): 1, A. Taylor; 2, Lodge; 3, Shaw; 4, G. H. Fisher; vhc, H. Fisher; hc, P. Taylor; c, G. E. Bower. Tkd. Yell. (12): 1, Shaw; 2, G. E. Bower; 3, J. Bower; 4, A. Taylor; vhc, J. Radley; hc, G. H. Fisher; c, P. Taylor. Buff (9): 1, A. Taylor; 2, J. Bower; 3, c, G. H. Fisher; 4, P. Taylor; vhc, Beaumont; hc, H. Dyson. Mkd. Class A.V., Open and Nov. (9): 1, Jebson; 2, J. Radley; 3, A. Taylor; 4, E. Taylor; vhc, Fisher and Dyson; hc, Ellis; c, G. E. Bower.—W. Everett, Sec.

GLASGOW AND W. COUNTIES.

Meeting and show of British and Mules, June 5, when Mr. Pettigrew presided over a good attendance. New members admitted: Messrs. W. B. Gillies and John Chalmers. Aug. 7 fixed for young bird show at 4. Judge, Mr. Jas. Downil. Classification: Nor., Cl. or Tkd. Yell., do. Buff, Var. Buff, do. Yell. Bords.: Cl. or Tkd., Var., Gr. or Cinn. Yorks.: A.O.V. Nov.: Can., Young Mule or Hyb. Messrs. J. Findlay, J. McGowau, and D. McJury acted as judges for table show, while the following fanciers supplied the specials, viz.: Messrs. Trotter, Munro, Hamilton, Findlay, Downie, Pettigrew, and Adam. Bramble. (9): Grand class: 1, 2, Pettigrew; 3, Trotter; 4, Adam; 5, Telfer; 6, sp., Jamieson; 7, Liddell. Chaff. (10): 1, sp., Gillies; 2, 5, Trotter; 3, Pettigrew; 4, Chalmers; 6, Bannerman; 7, Fitzpatrick. Bullf. (7): 1, Pettigrew; 2, 6, Munro; 3, Dinwoodie; 4, Cassels; 5, sp., Adam; 7, Cassels. Bunting any Var. (7): 1, Chalmers, Yellowhammer; 2, Pettigrew, Black-headed; 3, sp., Livingstone, Yellowhammer; 4, Telfer; 5, Jamieson; 6, Fitzpatrick; 7, Mallon. Brit., A.O.V. (4): 1, Pettigrew, Jay; 2, Telfer, Song Thrush; 3, Adam, Hawfinch; 4, Pettigrew, Ring Ousel. Mule or Hyb. (7): 1, Pettigrew, var. buff Goldf. Mule; 2, sp., Liddell, dark yell. Greenf.-Can.; 3, Jamieson, Siskin-Can.; 4, Livingstone, Goldf.-Can.; 5, Adam, Goldf.-Can.; 6, sp., Pettigrew, Goldf.-Greenf.; 7, Cassels, Linnet-Can. Committee meeting, June 19, 122, Ingram Street, 8.—J. H. Adam, Hon. Sec.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL O.S.

Table show of young Canaries and Mules, Brit. and For., Raglan Hotel, Aldersgate Street, June 17. Prominent among the exhibitors were Mme. Madewell, of Dulwich, and Mrs. W. Gould, of Park Lane, who is at present busily engaged in hospital work, and she kindly spared an hour or so of her valuable time to bring to the show several exhibits, including a pair of young wild Canaries, believed to be the only specimens in the British Isles. The parents of the birds were caught in Teneriffe, and while Mrs. Gould was in Nice, the hen laid two small eggs, which hatched in Paris. The young birds had a rough crossing on the Channel, and were reared here in England. Mr. J. Oldaker, Leyton, judged, and gave entire satisfaction, forty birds being staged.

Nor.: 1, sp., 2, vhc, Kerr, 1st, nice size yellow, very typical, not so large as some, but excelling in qual., 2nd, good style, nice bold front; 3, hc, c, Burt, yell., not the subs. of winner, but capital type and style. Yorks.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Huggins, 1st cl. buff, grand length and pos., well up on leg, good back and wings, 2nd, cl. buff, wonderful length for a youngster, but fails in wing car. to winner, 3rd, variegated buff, nice type and length. C.B.: 1, Mrs. Gould, two nice youngsters in one cage. A.O.V. Can.: 1, 2, Mrs. Gould, White Canaries. Brit. Hardbills: 1, 2, Mme. Feist-Madewell, 1st, Bramblef., big bold bird, rich col., beautiful spangle, 2nd, Crosshill, well-known winner, in good condition; 3, c, Cullers, Siskin, richly mkd., good col.; vhc, Burt; hc, Crabb. Mule or Hyb.: 1, 2, 3, Crabb. For. Seed-eating: 1, sp., c, Mrs. Huggins, Virginian Nightingale, grand condition, vivid col., big bold bird; 2, 3, vhc, Mme. Madewell, Tri-coloured Mannikin, a beauty, fine size and col., 3rd, St. Helena Waxbill, fine size and col.; hc, Mrs. Gould, pair of Wild Canaries.

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ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.

F.F. show, headquarters, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street. Mr. W. A. Bladon judged, and gave general satisfaction. Nor. yell.: 1, 2, 4, Marsland; 3, hc, Marlor; vhc, Whitehead. Buff: 1, 2, Marlor; 3, Marsland; 4, hc, c, Baron; vhc, Whitehead. Yorks., Yell.: 1, Kirby; 2, 3, Etchells. Buff: 1, 2, c, Green; 3, 4, Pye; vhc, Kirby; hc, Etchells.—J. Whitehead, Sec.

WIBSEY C.B.S.

F.F. show, Horse and Groom Inn, Wibsey; Mr. D. Sutcliffe judged to the satisfaction of all. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks. Ck.: 1, 3, Pickup; 2, c, Chapman; 4, Foster, Hanson; vhc, Fred Hanson; hc, Ormondroyd. Buff: 1, 2, Chapman; 3, Pickup; 4, Ormondroyd. Yell. Ck., Gr.: 1, Pickup; 2, Chapman; 3, Fred Hanson; 4, Ormondroyd; vhc, Farrer. Buff: 1, Fred Hanson; 2, Ormondroyd; 3, Farrer. —W. Chapman, Sec.

TONG C.B.S.

First members' show, June 19, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. 69 birds were judged, to the satisfaction of all, by Mr. J. Bailey, Bradford. Champ. Yell. Yorks. (7): 1, 2, 3, Casey; 4, Gledhill. Buff (8): 1, Gledhill; 2, Casey; 3, Russell; 4, Padgett. Gr. Mkd. (10): 1, Casey; 2, Padgett; 3, 4, Nicholl. Cinn. Mkd. (6): 1, Gledhill; 2, Atkinson and Firth; 3, Casey; 4, Hodgson. Nov. Yell. Yorks. (12): 1, Naylor; 2, Hardman; 3, Billings; 4, Dockerill. Buff (11): 1, 2, Naylor; 3, 4, Parker. Green Mkd. (5): 1, 4, Raper; 2, 3, Dockerill. Cinn. Mkd. (7): 1, Dockerill; 2, 4, Naylor; 3, Crabtree.—W. Walker, Sec.

BRADFORD (East) O.S.

F.F. show, Park Chapel Schoolrooms, June 19; 48 birds staged. Mr. A. W. Hartley judged. Cl. Yell.: 1, Walker; 2, Taylor; 3, Laycock. Buff: 1, Walker; 2, Farrer; 3, Laycock; 4, Midgley. Tkd. Yell.: 1, Walker; 2, Taylor; 3, Rushworth; 4, Midgley. Buff: 1, hc, Laycock; 2, 3, Walker; 4, Rushworth; vhc, Midgley. Even, etc.: 1, 4, hc, c, Walker; 2, 3, Taylor; vhc, Farrer. Cl. Yell.: 1, Hargreaves; 2, Wroe; 3 Wheelwright. Buff: 1, Wheelwright; 2, Wroe; 3, vhc, Walker; 4, Hargreaves. Tkd. Yell.: 1, 2, Hargreaves; 3, vhc, hc, Wroe; 4, Wheelwright. Buff: 1, Walker; 2, Wheelwright. Even, etc.: 1, 4, J. Hargreaves; 2, 3, hc, Wroe; vhc, c, Wheelwright.—J. Spencer, Sec.

DONCASTER C.B.S.

First N.F. show, June 12, Black Bull Hotel; 63 birds staged. Mr. H. Tomkinson judged, and gave every satisfaction. Yell. Yorks.: 1, J. Brown. Buff: 1, 3, Blanchon; 2, Norman; vhc, Hunt; hc, Truman; c, Whittington. Varieg.: 1, Blanchon; 2, 3, hc, c, Norman; vhc, Whittington. Yell. Nor.: 1, Evans; 2, Flint; 3, Smith; vhc, Twine; hc, Truman. Buff: 1, Evans; 2, Flint; 3, Twine; vhc, Wade; hc, Truman. Varieg.: 1, 2, Smith. A.O.V.: 1, Twine. Mule or Hyb., 1915: 1, Blanchon; 2, 3, Evans. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, vhc, Truman; 2, 3, Evans; hc, Twine; c, Smith. Linnet: 1, Blanchon; 2, 3, vhc, Evans; hc, Truman. Greenf.: 1, 2, vhc, c, Blanchon; 3, Truman; hc, Ball. Siskin, etc.: 1, Ball; 2, Truman. A.O. Hardbill: 1, 3, Truman; 2, Ball. For.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Hartshorn.—G. Hunt, Hon. Sec.

WEST BROMWICH C.B.S.

N.F. show June 15, Dartmouth Hotel. Entries were very disappointing, although quality was again to the fore. British were the feature of the show, some grand birds being staged by Messrs. Tonks and Raby. Mr J. H. Roe judged and gave complete satisfaction.

Nor. Cl. or Tkd. Yell: All to Taylor. Mkd. or Var.: 1, 2, 3, hc, Taylor; vhc, c, Viles. Yorks Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Greenhouse; 2, Beck; 3, Clark. Buff: 1, Beck. Mkd. or Var.: 1, Beck; 2, Greenhouse; 3, Digger. Goldf., etc.: 1, 2, vhc, Tonks; 3, hc, c, Raby. Siskin, etc.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Tonks; 3, Raby. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Tonks; 3, vhc, hc, Raby. Nov. Yorks Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Bach. Buff: 1, Digger. Mkd. or Var.: 1, 2, Digger.—W. G. Andrews, Hon. Sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

First N.F. show, Mail Coach Inn, Wellgate, June 12. A very poor show of young birds, owing to breeders having a very bad season. 52 birds staged; Mr. J. Warrender, Hoyland, judged, and gave satisfaction. The arrangements of the show were capably carried out by Mr. J. E. Taylor, Sec. Some of the birds exhibited were of excellent quality. Mr. Brotherton won most points for the cup, closely followed by Jones and Hunt.

Yorks.: 1, vhc, Wiltshire; 2, 3, 4, Brotherton; hc, Hicks. Cl. or Tkd. Buff: 1, 2, Wiltshire; 3, 4, Hicks; hc, Brotherton; c, Wall. Nor.: 1, 3, 4, Hunt; 2, Griffiths; vhc, Wall. Mkd., etc.: 1, vhc, Hunt; 2, 3, 4, hc, Hunt; c, Wall. Yell. Yorks. (Old): 1, 2, 4, vhc, Brotherton; 3, Wiltshire. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Brotherton; 4, Wiltshire. Nor.: 1, 3, 4, Jones; 2, Brotherton. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, 2, Jones; 3, 4, Brotherton. Linnet, etc.: 1, 3, vhc, Brotherton; 2, Alcott; 4, Jones.—J. E. Taylor.

BOOTLE C.B.S.

N.F. show June 19, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall; 82 entries. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe judged. Special best champ., Mr. J. Knight; best nov., Mr. S. Worrall. Points towards cups and season's spls:—Challenge Cup: R. Algie 16, A. E. Huyton 13, J. F. Brown 13, J. Knight 12, T. Bracken 10, J. W. Handley 8. Novice: J. W. Handley 24, S. Worrall 20, W. Wilson 15, W. A. Greenwood 14, T. Critchley 12, G. B. Rutherford 4, P. Howard 3. Brit. Sp.: W. Haward 7, P. Haward 3, A. E. Powell 2, W. Wilson 2, J. F. Brown 1.

Champ. Yorks Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Algie; 2, Knight; 3, vhc, Huyton. Buff: 1, sp, Knight; 2, Huyton; 3, Bracken; vhc, Algie; hc, c, Brown. Uneven or Varieg. Yell.: 1, Brown; 2, hc, Huyton; 3, Knight; vhc, Handley. Buff: 1, 2, Brown; 3, Bracken. Gr. Self Yell.: 1, Brown; 2, Handley; 3, Algie. Buff. 1, Algie; 2, Handley; 3, vhc, Brown. Gr. Foul Yell.: 1, Algie; 2, Brown; 3, Handley. Buff: 1, Bracken; 2, Brown; 3, Algie. Nov. Cl. or Tkd Yell.: 1, 2, Worrall; 3, hc, Wilson; vhc, Critchley; c, Handley. Buff: 1, Handley; 2, Worrall; 3, c, Critchley; vhc, Greenwood; hc, Wilson. Uneven or Varieg. Yell.: 1, sp, 3, Worrall; 2, Handley; vhc, Greenwood; hc, Wilson. Buff: 1, Handley; 2, Rutherford; 3, hc, Critchley; vhc, Wilson. Gr. Self Yell.: 1, vhc, Worrall; 2, Handley; 3, Wilson. Buff: 1, Handley; 2, vhc, hc, Greenwood; 3, P. Howard. Foul Yell.: 1, Greenwood; 2, Handley. Buff: 1, Wilson; 2, Handley. Goldf.: 1, P. Howard; 2, W. Howard, 3, Brown. Linnet: 1, Wilson; 2, W. Howard. A.O.V.: 1, 3, W. Howard; 2, A. E. Powell.—A. E. Huyton, Hon. Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

FARNWORTH C.B.S.

Young bird show, June 19, Bird-i'-th'-Hand Hotel. Judge, M. Deakin, Newton Heath. Yorks Yell.: 1, 2, Spiby. Nor. Yell.: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Marginson. Buff: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Marginson; vhc, hc, Mitchell. Rollers: 1, 3, vhc, Chappell; 2, hc, Horsfield. Goldf.: 1, 3, Mullineux; 2, Hulme. Linnet: 1, Chappell; 2, vhc, Hulme; 3, Mullineux. Bullf.: 1, Mullineux; 2, Hulme.—W. Dawson, Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Young bird show, June 16. Mr. Whetton judged Yorks., Mr. Maggs Nor. Yorks.: Class 1: 1, 2, 3, Bale; 4, vhc, James and Wells; Class 2: 1, 2, Bale; 3, 4, James and Wells. Class 3: 1, 2, Bale. Class 4: 1, 2, Bale. Novice Yorks.: Class 6: 1, 2, 3, Dallimore. Class 7: 1, Palmer; 2, Phillips. Class 8: 1, Palmer; 2, Dallimore. Nor.: Class 13: 1, 2, Rev. Jolliffe; 3, Slocombe. Class 14: 1, 2, Allsopp; 3, Rev. Jolliffe; 4, vhc, hc, Jenkins; c, Slocombe. Class 15: 1, James and Wells; 2, Thomas; 3, Slocombe. Class 16: 1, 2, Rev. Jolliffe; 3, Thomas; 4, James and Wells. Special Best Norwich, Mr. Allsopp; best Yorks., Mr. Bale.—E. Thomas, Sec.

BRADFORD (West) C.B.A.

Members' F.F. show June 19. Shoulder of Mutton; 50 birds were staged. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged, and gave every satisfaction. Champ. Section, Class 1: 1, vhc, Kirk; 2, Clegg; 3, A. Bennett; 4, G. A. Bennett; hc, Midgley; c, Whitley. Class 2: 1, 2, 4, Clegg; 3, vhc, hc, Midgley; c, Kirk. Class 3: 1, hc, c, Clegg; 2, G. A. Bennett; 3, A. Bennett; 4, vhc, Whitley. Class 4: 1, Kirk. Novice Section, Class 7: 1, Ackroyd; 2, Medley; 3, 4, Brook; vhc, Smith; hc, Rhodes. Class 8: 1, Butterfield; 2, Rhodes; 3, Smith; 4, Brook; vhc, Ackroyd; hc, Taylor; c, Medley. Class 9: 1, Brook; 2, vhc, Taylor; 3, Potter; 4, hc, Butterfield. Class 10: 1, Ackroyd.—F. P. Terry, Sec.

REDCAR C.B.S.

First N.F. Show, June 19, Crown and Anchor Hotel. In spite of many members having had a bad season, there was a good entry, 56 birds being up for show. Mr. J. Meaburn judged, and gave general satisfaction. Mr. F. Dixon was show manager, and thanks are due to Messrs. Walton and Dawson, who carried out the duties of stewards. Special prizes were kindly given by Messrs. Skinner, Meaburn, Mrs. Bates, and other generous donors. Principal winners: Champ. Yorks.: Husband, Dixon, Bray. Novice: Strickland, Close, Bell, Robinson. Nor.: Husband. Mule or Hyb.: Harvey, Husband, Bell. Linnet: Green, Clarke, Walton. Goldf. or Bullf.: Bray, Boagey, Harvey. A.O. Brit.: Boagey, Clarke, Green. For.: Boagey, Mrs. Wethey. Special: Strickland (2), Close (2), Dixon, Husband, Green, Bray, Boagey.—W. Boagey, Hon. Sec.

BEDFORD O.S.

N.F. show headquarters, June 17; Mr. H. Markham judged. Entries were very poor, as most of the members were unfortunate with their early nests. Messrs. Osborne and Notley put up several very choice youngsters, which will doubtless be heard of again at the annual show, which it has been decided to hold early in Nov., Mr. H. Norman to be invited to judge.

Cl. Yell. Nor.: 1, Osborne, grand type and lovely qual.; 2, Notley, fine big bird, excels in col. and body properties. Mkd.: 1, Notley, rare col. and qual., we made this the best bird in the show. Cl. Buff: 1, Notley, nice size, fine type and cond.; 2, Osborne, lovely qual., correct type. Mkd.: 1, 2, Osborne, good in head and body, excels in qual.; 2nd, heavily mkd., fine big bird, just a trifle long; 3, 4, vhc, Notley. Nov., Cl. Yell.: 1, Bridgman, good col. and qual., bit small. Buff: 1, Bridgman, good type, hardly enough of it; 2, Simons, smart, good qual. Jun. Class: 1, 2, Bridgman, jun., nice qual. buffs. J. C. Wilmot.

HALIFAX O.S.

First N.F. show, June 19, Headquarters, Plummet Line Hotel; 70 birds staged. Mr. H. Mallinson Huddersfield, judged, and gave satisfaction. Messrs. Burdekin Bros. won champ. spl. with 17 points, and Messrs. Sladdin and Baldwin novice with 12 points. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks (13): 1, Burdekin Bros.; 2, F. Horsman; 3, Sladdin and Baldwin; vhc, W. Horsman; hc, Berry; c, Rushworth. Buff (16): 1, 2, Burdekin Bros.; 3, hc, Sladdin and Baldwin; vhc, Rolfe; c, Child. Mkd. Yell. (4): 1, Child; 2, Burdekin Bros.; 3, Briggs; vhc, Senior. Buff (6): 1, Child; 2, Horsman; 3, Whitham; vhc, Saville; hc, Blackburn and Mitchel; c, Roper. More Dark than Light (2): 1, Whitham; 2, Blackburn and Mitchel. Yorks Gr. Yell. (3): 1, Sladdin and Baldwin; 2, Leach; 3, Woodhead. Buff (9): 1, F. Horsman; 2, Rushworth; 3, Sladdin and Baldwin; vhc, c, Saville; hc, Briggs. Nor. (3): 1, Rolfe; 2, 3, Lloyd. Brit. (14): 1, 3, c, Macpherson; 2, Helliwell; vhc, Wilkinson; hc, Benn. A meeting was also held about colour food, and the members were recommended to get Ramsden's from Thomas, Sandiford's from Jowett; if any member requires Errington's will he let Sec. know as early as possible.—H. Clegg, Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

N.F. show, Prince of Wales Hotel Club Room, June 19. Although not an extra number of exhibits, quality in all sections was good, especially in Norwich, where Mr. G. Broome won special for best bird in show with a grand yellow. H. H. Mortimer won second best with a variegated buff. Third best, W. Cooper, yell. Bord. About 60 entries faced the judge, Mr. J. Parfitt, Blackpool, whose awards were well received.

Nor. Cl. or Tkd: 1, sp, 2, Broome, 1st typical cl. yell., grand col. and qual.; 2nd good one, shown too young; 3, Mortimer, eye mkd. yell., not the size of leaders. Mkd.: 1, sp, 4, hc, Mortimer, 1st a grand eye and wing mkd. buff, very typical; 2, 3, vhc, Broome, 2nd breast mkd. buff, good head and neck, capital body. Yorks Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 3, vhc, Pritchard, 1st neck tkd. yell., shapely, capital length and style, neat head, good wings and tail; 2, Terrett, c. buff, very typical, ran very close; 4, hc, Monte. Mkd.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Pritchard, 1st variegd. yell., good type and pos.; 2nd variegd. buff, grand qual., not the length. Nov.: 1, Moule, head mkd. buff, good size, type, feather and pos.; 2, vhc, Terrett, cl. buff, good length, full of style, hardly the quality; 3, 4, Bibbings, good qual., well up on legs, crosses wings at times; hc, c, Hyde. Bord. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, sp, 4, C. Cooper, cl. yell., good qual. and col., right type, some thought the best Border in show; 2, 3, Broome, 2nd yell., not the quality of winner; 3rd buff, good type, loses in feather. Mkd. 1, 2, 3, Cooper, 1st rich col. buff, wing and thigh mkd., a good one; 2nd variegd, not quite so rich in col; 3rd typical, not the colour of leaders; 4, Bibbings; vhc, Broome. Mule or Hyb.: 1, 2, 3, Mortimer, 1st good qual. and col.; 2nd and 3rd need more handling. Brit.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Edwards, good team of Goldies, 1st a noted Welsh winner; vhc, Mortimer.—H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec.

SHIPLEY O.S.

Members' show, 42 entries. Cl. and Tkd. Yell.: 1, 3, Long; 2, Lightfoot. Buff: 1, Harrison; 2, Grange; 3, Craven. Class 3: 1, Kendall; 2, Harrison. Class 4: 1, Craven; 2, Rhodes Bros.; 3, Hudson. Class 5: 1, Hudson; 2, Harrison; 3, Craven. Class 6: 1, Harrison; 2, Hudson; 3, Craven. Class 7: 1, Grange; 2, Murgatroyd; 3, Harrison.—Long and Craven, Secs.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

First members' show, 73 entries; judge, Mr. L. Dykes, who gave every satisfaction. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks. (8): 1, 3, 4, Symes; 2, Helliwell; vhc, c, Clark; hc, Hunter. Buff (5): 1, 4, Helliwell; 2, Horsfield; 3, Hunter; vhc, Clark. A.O.V. (6): 1, 2, vhc, Helliwell; 3, hc, Hunter; 4, Horsfield. Nov., Yorks., Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (11): 1, 3, McEwen; 2, vhc, Bolton and Lunn; 4, hc, Woad; c, Rhodes. Buff (14): 1, 4, Bromham; 2, Bolton and Lunn; 3, McEwen; vhc, Copland; hc, Woad; c, Riley. A.O.V. (11): 1, Bolton and Lunn; 2, Copland; 3, Bromham; 4, McEwen; vhc, hc, Woad; c, Riley. Nor., Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (4): 1, Kaberry; 2, 4, Plowright; 3, Airton. Buff (7): 1, 3, hc, Plowright; 2, vhc, Kaberry; 4, c, Airton. A.O.V. (7): 1, vhc, c, Airton; 2, 3, Simonett; 4, Kaberry; hc, Plowright.—W. Helliwell, Sec.

Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

FOR RULES SEE JUNE 5 ISSUE.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

LAST SEASON'S COLOUR FOOD (F. K.).—If the colour food you had left over from last season has been properly kept in a closely covered glass or glazed earthen jar, or in an air-tight tin, I see no reason why you should not use it this season. If a sufficiency of oil was added to it last year when first blended, there is no necessity to add any more now. If you use the food alone, it would be best to use it at the beginning of the season, during that portion of the season when you are giving a little food before the moult has actually commenced. Otherwise, you should blend this food with the bulk of the fresh food you prepare for this season's moult, in order to have the whole of the food of the same strength and quality throughout the present season.

QUALITY OF HEMP (Ajax).—The sample of hemp is of very good quality and quite fit to give your young Canaries, or old ones, too, for that matter. You need have no scruples in using it.

SWEATING YOUNG (W. W. G.).—The moist appearance was undoubtedly due to diarrhœa in the youngsters, the dampness being caused by the watery evacuations of the young. A little powdered arrowroot mixed with the egg food, and a morsel of bread and milk freely dusted with carbonate of bismuth daily for a few days, and five drops each of tincture of opium and dilute sulphuric acid in the water for one-half of each day for a few days, would probably have saved the situation, but it would need to be combined with absolute cleanliness in the cages, and all food and also all vessels in use. When the next brood are due to hatch, add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea to the drinking water for one day, and on the two following days add instead five drops of dilute sulphuric acid the last thing at night, and throw this out at mid-day next day and replace with pure water. Do not give moist or over-succulent green food. Seedy chickweed will be about the best you can get. Sprinkle the egg food with a little powdered arrowroot each day until the young are at least a week old, and give a teaspoonful of lightly cracked hemp daily; but see that it is quite sound and sweet in the kernel. Beyond this, follow the general treatment advised to "W.G.S." last week, and you should find things go more smoothly.

MISS F. LUTER.—Replied to by post.

CLEAR EGGS (F. P., Disappointed).—It is not possible to be quite certain what is the cause of clear eggs when both units of a pair of birds are apparently in good health and condition. You cannot even tell which of the birds is at fault without testing by trying each one with a fresh mate, and thus proving on which side the unfertility exists. It sometimes happens that a hen will consistently call to her mate and remain in the nest, and in that case, although mating may appear to take place repeatedly, it is the exception rather than the rule to find any of the clutches fertile. This habit may go on all through the season, and the result will be nil, notwithstanding that the birds are in the pink of condition. If this is what has been happening in your case, the only thing you can do is to try to prevent her squatting closely in the nest. When she is going to nest again, as soon as the nest is built place a bantam's or pigeon's egg, or any similar obstacle, in the cup of the nest for the greater part of each day until she has laid her third egg, and thereby increase the chances of mating taking place under conditions more favourable to success. Give a liberal supply of dandelion seed heads, or a growing stool of the plant daily. If the habit mentioned is not likely to be the cause in your case, the only thing I can suggest to ensure you a fair chance of getting young this season, is to try the birds with different mates at once.

ALL GOING WRONG (L.G.).—There can be little doubt that the birds have been exposed to the exciting causes of bronchial trouble during your removals, and I am afraid the future will be no better for them if you can find no other place for them than the bath room, which is about the least favourable place you could possibly offer for their accommodation. A spare corner of any room where no fires were kept would be much better. If, however, you cannot find any other room for them you must take care to prevent the room from getting very much overheated when the bath is being heated. Keep the cages as far away from the heating apparatus as possible, consistent with avoiding direct draughts when the room is being ventilated, and see that the ventilation is sufficient to prevent the room being overcharged with steamy vapour for any length of time after the bath has been heated. Treat the Norwich cock that pants badly as follows: Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape only. In addition, give separately half a teaspoonful of mixed seeds twice a week. Every second day for a fortnight give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar. In the drinking water give, every second day for a week, as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice; and after this give five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia and sweet spirit of nitre every second day in alternate weeks until better. You may offer a bath daily now the weather is warm, provided it does not seem to affect it badly afterwards. For two or three weeks treat the other birds that wheeze the same as above, but omit the preparatory dosage with Epsom salts. Every second day for a fortnight add a crystal of sulphate of iron the size of a large hemp seed to the water of those that are loose in feather, and on the alternate days give instead five drops each of dilute sulphuric acid and tincture of gentian. Offer these the bath daily.

GONE OFF SONG (W. H., Liverpool).—You do not say how long the bird has gone off song. If only just lately it is most likely that it is an early symptom of the approaching moult. The constant nibbling at the cage may also be a sign of the coming moult, or it may be a sign that the cage is infested with red mites. Examine the cage thoroughly for this pest, and if any are found take the necessary steps to exterminate them. See that the bird is not exposed to direct draughts, nor the fumes of burning lights, or rapid extremes of temperature. Try to get it to bathe itself by giving a slight blow from the spray daily, then hang on a bath and remove the drinking vessel for an hour or so. Place a small scrap of tempting greenstuff in the bath each day. In the course of a few weeks the bird will most likely be ready enough for its "dip" when the bath is offered. Give a staple diet of three parts canary seed to one part summer rape only. Twice a week give separately a small teaspoonful of the mixture you now use for a staple, and every second day for a fortnight give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar. On the alternate days give just a pinch of a mixture of equal parts maw, gold of pleasure, and sesame. Give a little green food, in variety daily. In the drinking water for three days add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice, and after this five drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every, second day for a week.

A POOR START (H.E.C., Constant Reader).—I am afraid there is very little chance indeed for you to do anything with these birds this season. Are you quite satisfied that they are true pairs? If so, you should try to get a clutch of fertile eggs of some common birds, or a clutch of some wild bird of the Finch tribe would do as well as anything, and give them to the hen that sits continually on the nest for her to hatch out and rear the young, which might result in bringing her to a normal condition for future breeding, though it is doubtful if she would do anything this season, seeing that the moult will be on by the time she could bring up such a brood. Try what the following treatment for a few weeks will do for the others. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give every second day to each pair half a teaspoonful of egg food with about half the same quantity of a mixture of gold of pleasure and sesame mixed in it, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and chopped sunflower seeds. Give a liberal supply of seedy dandelion, chickweed, shepherd's purse, and similar greenstuff daily. Every second day for a week add to the drinking water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice, and after this give five drops each of tincture of steel and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight. Encourage them to bathe freely by offering the bath daily.

A FRIENDLY CRITIC (J. G. P.).—Most certainly I do not object to your criticism of a chance remark I made in one of these replies that the querist had not made a very good use of the study of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," to be giving crushed hemp to birds with young at three days old, whereas somewhat similar advice is apparently given in Chapter XI. of the book. But that reply and the book are not so much at variance as may seem to be the case, as the supply of hemp being used by the querist is a very different thing from a little in a finger drawer, and the free supply afterwards does not necessarily mean that the supply should form a not inconsiderable portion of the whole dietary, though I readily admit that in this place the term "liberal supply" might have been more fully explained, and probably will be so in future editions. It is not so much that a liberal supply should not be given, as that the supply should depend to some extent upon the character and temperament of the particular hen. In all the other cases you point out it is made quite clear in the book that it is meant to apply only to certain exceptional cases which are likely to crop up and which require special treatment. In fact, the only difference that exists is that the book has necessarily to deal with the subject on broad general

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Buttye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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principles, whilst these replies touch more narrowly the details of individual cases. Later on I may make this point more clear. Glad you find the book so useful, nevertheless.

KEEPING EGGS (T. F.).—If you could have set the eggs you took from the hen which had sat on them two days in a fairly warm and not too dry place, covered with bran, and given them a half-turn every morning and evening, you might have had a possible chance of them hatching successfully had you re-set them in the course of a few days, but there would have been a great risk of them proving addled. After keeping them until now there will not be the slightest chance of hatching them.

PANTING HEN (B. J. S.).—Sorry to disappoint you, but I do not think you have the least chance of breeding successfully with this hen this season; moreover, as she is obviously not in a fit condition to breed, I think you would be best advised to discard her entirely from the breeding cage. You would do far better to get a young—1914 bred—hen in sound vigorous health, that has not been overworked, and is ready to go to nest quickly; then you would stand a fair chance of getting a brood before the moult puts a stop to further breeding operations. To treat this hen give a diet of plain canary seed only with a liberal supply of green food in variety for a week, and add to the water twenty drops of fluid magnesia every second day. After this, feed as frequently advised in this column, and give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with maw-seed twice a week; give a little seedy greenstuff daily; and add twenty drops of Chemical Food to the water daily for a week. Then, if the panting is still troublesome, give five drops each of tincture of lobelia, ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight. Be careful to see that the bird is kept as free as possible from the exciting causes of colds and bronchitis, as frequently mentioned here.

VARIED (Inquisitive).—(1) Unless you have certain proof to the contrary, I should say that both of the pair of Canaries you had mated were hens, and that the one you thought the cock was in fair breeding condition, and would have bred all right if she had been mated properly. The other hen was not in breeding condition at all. I think your best chance of success this season is to try a lusty young cock in vigorous song with the supposed cock Canary you have left. If she settle down to work at once, she may manage to pull off a brood before the moult sets in. (2) The safest plan is to mate breeding hens in the ordinary way, and then you can either discard their own eggs and replace them with the hybrid eggs at the commencement of incubation, or allow them to sit on their own eggs and exchange the young when the hybrids are ready. The actual method is governed to a certain extent by the necessities of the case—the hybrid eggs may not, for instance, be ready when the Canary's clutch is complete. (3) With birds bred and kept hitherto under normal conditions of temperature, and cages of good size, if kept in a fairly sheltered position, and placed out now, so that the birds would get well acclimatised before the winter began, you should be able to keep your birds out of doors all the year round in the best of health and condition.

CAUSE OF DEATHS (F. W.).—Only a post-mortem could decide definitely what was the cause of the young dying, and if you have any more losses I should advise you to lose no time in ascertaining the exact cause of death by this means. (See notice at head of Post-mortem Replies.) Meantime, keep the cage in which the deaths have occurred, all its appurtenances, and the birds occupying it, isolated from the rest of your stock. There is a chance that it is some infectious disorder, and this is only a precautionary measure until you are assured on the point. I am inclined to think, however, that the deaths were due to apoplexy, arising out of a plethoric condition. The birds should not be solely upon soft food at six weeks old. Begin to reduce the quantity of egg food at once, and give a pinch of summer rape on top of it each morning, and put on a separate vessel of canary seed. In the afternoon give only a small quantity of egg food, and make up the usual bulk with cracked hemp—see that it is sound in the kernel—niger, millet and broken groats in equal parts. As soon as you see by the husks in the seed box that the birds are eating a fair amount of canary seed, stop the soft food in the afternoon and give only the mixed seed then. Give a few green plantain stalks or seed heads of shepherd's purse, or sprays of seedy chickweed four times a week, and I think you will soon see an improvement in the condition of the birds. For the next three days add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and ten drops of lemon juice to each ounce of drinking water, and after that add to the same quantity of water six drops of aromatic sulphuric acid for a few days.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

SHRIKES IN AN AVIARY (Thomas).—If you are keen on trying to breed with Shrikes in captivity, your best plan would be to secure a nest or two of young ones, hand-rear them, and save a pair of the most docile. You would do nothing with birds freshly-caught this spring. Shrikes nest almost directly they arrive in this country, and would now be rearing a brood. So you see it is too late to do anything this season. If you try another year, you must give them the aviary to themselves; Finches would not be safe with them. With your Goldfinches you could turn in any of the Finches and the Yellow, Reed and Cirl Buntings (2) In captivity, Shrikes should be fed on good insectile food, mealworms, beetles, gentles, etc., and occasionally a small dead bird or a little meat.

THE WHITE-LEGGED GOLDFINCH (W.W.G.).—In a wild state the legs of the Goldfinch are black, or rather very dark dirty brown. After his first moult in captivity they are considerably paler, and at each successive moult they get lighter. If a bird is moulted in an ordinary bird room, his legs will be much paler than if moulted in an aviary or hung outside daily.

FEEDING A MAGPIE (Magpie). The Magpie is not a difficult bird to feed. Let him have as a staple diet some crushed puppy biscuits, soaked in hot water or gravy. This could be varied with "Melox" treated in the same manner. Give scraps from the table, such as pieces of potato, or other vegetables, suet pudding, shredded meat, etc. He should also occasionally have a freshly-killed mouse or small bird. He will sometimes eat a few grains of corn, especially if they are previously soaked. To teach the bird to talk, repeat constantly a short sentence to him, especially when you are giving him food; he soon learns to associate the two together, and will commence to chatter when hungry. After the first few words are mastered others quickly follow. Although nearly all Magpies mimic, some are much better than others; if you want your bird to be really good, you must persevere and take every opportunity of talking to him.

SEPTIC FEVER (Mary E. N. Slater).—I fear I am unable to give you much assistance, as I am thankful to say my experience with this dread disease has been very limited, and then only with other fanciers' birds. I do not think you can do better than disinfect cages, etc., allow plenty of fresh air, feed the birds as carefully as possible, and do not leave any soft food lying about, or anything likely to convey germs to healthy birds. I would also advise you to carefully read the article in the last issue of CAGE BIRDS upon this subject; this should assist somewhat in your treatment.

HYBRID PAIR NOT NESTING (F.J.W.S.).—The majority of Hybrid pairs do not nest until late, and there is still time for yours. By your description I should think your chances are quite favourable. I would advise you to be liberal with building materials; get an old Bullfinch nest, if you can, or one of any of the other Finches, and put that in; they will probably pull it to pieces and use it to build a fresh one. Feed well, particularly with wild food, including plenty of shepherd's-purse and seeding grass; gather it carefully, so as to retain the ripe seeds, and any insects among it.

FEEDING YOUNG MULES (Very Anxious).—When young Mules are removed from the parents they should still be supplied with egg-food, a little soaked rape twice a week, and cracked seeds, giving

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

just a little hemp (fresh each time) in a separate pot. I find the first food they take after the egg is a few grains of split groats. A small spray of chickweed or shepherd's-purse can be given daily, but take away any they do not eat. In rearing the young you rather overdo the hemp; my own method is to give egg-food and green stuff during the day, and a spoonful of hemp about five o'clock in the afternoon when the old birds are feeding strongly, they then used this up at once. Supply the young bird that is not doing well with bread and milk, and put a drop or two of cod liver oil on it. If he will eat seed, give him a little maw. If he does not recover in a few days, continue the bread and milk, and give 10 drops tincture of quinine and six drops aromatic sulphuric acid in the drinking water. Keep cages thoroughly clean. (2) If the young Greenfinch Mules are feeding themselves, you should be able to save them; perhaps you can get them to take a little off the end of a stick and so hand-feed them yourself. Do this for a few days and they will soon be all right. Of course, if the cock will take them on, you will have no more trouble. Young Mules are generally very precocious, and will feed themselves several days earlier than Canaries. You had better keep them for the present in the compartment adjoining his, and then when they are well on to food, transfer them to an ordinary cage or flight.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

PROSPECTIVE AVIARY (Grayscn).—I have sent you a rough diagram, marking thereon the essential fittings. The lobby round the door inside the room will enable you to enter without danger of the escape of the birds; it will also serve to ventilate the room when weather does not permit the window to be opened. You can also show your birds to friends without entering the room. The window must be covered with wire netting on the inside; a small door should be placed in the netting to enable you to open and close the window at will. The fireplace must also be screened with wire netting. All these fittings can be easily made with a little 1½in. x 1in. quartering; the wire netting must be of ½in. mesh. The floor of the room must be covered with oilcloth or lino, which must be securely fastened down to prevent refuse getting under; it is also easily kept clean. The walls must be lined with twiggy branches, so as to form a sort of hedge around the parts indicated. The branches can be easily fixed by driving in a few staples, hooks, or nails, and fastening the branches thereto with binding wire. Various nest receptacles can be placed amid and at the back of the branches. This arrangement will leave the centre of the room open for the birds to take flight exercise. A large tray should be provided, in the centre of which the bath is to stand, thus keeping the floor of room dry. The list suggested to "W.H.S." was given by our British Bird expert, and for any information concerning same you must apply to him. All the foreign finches, Waxbills, Mannikins, Weavers, Whydahs, Buntings, etc., advertised in our columns from time to time should thrive in your birdroom.

EATING ITS FEATHERS (F. Tanner).—It will be a work of time curing this bird of the annoying habit of feather eating, which, once a bird becomes confirmed in, is seldom entirely given up. Do not give hemp separately; there will be sufficient of this seed in the mixture. Also some ripe fruit daily, any kind it will eat, various nuts, and greenfood, such as seeding and flowering grass and garden weeds; also lettuce, but cut out the fleshy mid rib before supplying to the bird. Do not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. If it has been accustomed to moistened food at all, give it a stale crust of household bread lightly moistened with chemical food and water. Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day. The bowels should move quite freely, but the voidings should not be watery-loose. If the latter occurs you must then give the magnesia less frequently. Continue to spray with quassia solution, as this will tend to give the plumage a bitter taste and make it distasteful to the bird. Also it would be well to boil a little of the maize. Boil till soft (grain should be whole); drain off all water, lightly dust with flowers of sulphur, and supply to the bird when cool. If the bird appears at all weak, then on the days you are not giving the magnesia lightly colour the drinking water with chemical food. Report progress about a month hence, with full details.

WHAT BIRDS? (H.G.B.).—(1) This is *Palaeornis fasciata*, of which *lathami* is a synonym. Its trivial names are Banded and Monstache Parrakeet. (2) I think you are in error in saying a hybrid would be out of court with this bird; such a bird should be possible with either of the following: *P. fasciata* x *P. alexandri* or *P. fasciata* x *P. nipalensis*, either of these crosses, provided the male parent was dominant in the progeny, might produce such a bird as you describe. However, I think your bird is *Palaeornis derbyana*. You can

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

easily test it. The under-wing coverts in *derbyana* are the same colour as the breast; in *fasciata* they are green. If it is not *derbyana*, it is either a hybrid or an abnormal hen *fasciata*.

CAN IT BE DONE? (Ritep).—(1) Yes, it is possible to breed foreign species in cages, but it is not as simple as breeding Canaries. No wild species, whether British or Foreign, can be relied upon to breed in a cage; nevertheless, many species have been so bred, but it is not every pair of the same species that will do so under the conditions you name. Neither do you pair them up like Canaries. You must put a pair in the cage and leave them there summer and winter indefinitely till they settle down to nesting. Zebra Finches, Cutthroats, Silverbills, Bengalese, Bib Finches, White Java Sparrows, would be about the best for you to begin with. (2) For such species as indicated above the season may be said to be from spring to early autumn. (3) Canary, white and Indian millet, spray millet, green food, grit, and cuttlebone. When feeding young a little of some good insectile mixture (soft food) must be given daily.

CAGE FOR BUDGERIGAR (M.G.L.).—You will have to get one made. It should be of semi-box type, 30in. long, 18in. deep, and 18in. high. The coconut husk should be fixed inside the cage. Any of the cage makers advertising in our columns should be able to make you a suitable cage from above description. Do not have straight perches; use twiggy branches for the purpose. I am rightly not permitted to recommend any special advertiser. The cheapest of anything is often the dearest in the long run. Go to a firm with a reputation to keep up and you will usually get a good article and good value.

POST MORTEMS.

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H. M. Vince.—Goldie succumbed to pneumonia following emphysema of the lungs, which was of long standing.

J. P. Thornton and Son.—Canary died of congestion of the liver and spleen, due to the ingestion of poisonous substances with the food. Get a fresh supply of seed, give staple of best canary, with a pinch of rape once weekly; discontinue hemp for a time.

L. J Moore.—Inflammation of the bowels, probably of ptomaine origin.

H. C. Perks.—Congestion of the lungs, owing to its sedentary occupation, and influenced by the warm weather. A cardiac stimulant such as aromatic spirits of ammonia might have been effective.

T. H. Marshall.—Septic fever. The bodies had undergone partial decomposition, which rendered diagnosis rather difficult. Another examination would be advisable, although I have not much doubt that this is the trouble.

L. W. Winter.—Disease of the liver and spleen induced by ptomaine poison, introduced with the food, and contributed to by the warm weather. Give a saline aperient in the drinking water for three successive days, afterwards following with Condy's Fluid in the drinking water. Strict cleanliness of seed hoppers and drinking utensils is essential.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Wm. Green.—One of the firms which at one time advertised Roller Canaries in CAGE BIRDS is a German firm, and their advt., of course, does not appear in existing circumstances. We think you would at present find it difficult or impossible to get the birds in small numbers from the Continent, even from neutral countries.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Accrington C.B.S.—July 1, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Final arrangements for F.F. show, July 10.—D. Harwood.

Abertillery C.B.S.—July 1, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. To receive ticket money and pay prize money.—H. H. Mortimer.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—June 30, Station Cafe, 8.30. Sanitation of birdroom.—C. Bailey.

Bowling B.F.A.—June 26, Napoleon Hotel. F.F. show, 3. Judge, Mr. J. Bailey (Allerton).—J. Nicholl.

Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—June 30, headquarters, 7. 1st young bird show. New cups will be on exhibition.—J. C. Bell.

Blaydon C.B.S.—July 3, Co-op. Library, 7.30 Consideration of annual schedule and other business.

Bramley O.S.—June 26, Carnival Rooms, 8. Most important business. All members must attend.—F. Page.

Bradford National Show.—June 30, Cinderella Club Rooms, 8. Classification, etc. Note change of meeting place.—S. Midgley.

Cinnamon Marked Y.G.C.—June 26, Market Tavern, Bradford. Allotting patronage; arranging value of prizes in our competitions.—R. Garnett.

Charlotteville (Guildford) F. and U.S.K.S.—June 30, St. Luke's Institute. Young stock show. Final for year's cup and medal. Judges, F. Prior and E. Pink.—C. H. Pope.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—July 3, Campbell's Hotel, 6.—T. Menzies.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—June 28, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8. Members who have not paid their subs. kindly do so.—J. Southworth.

Codnor Park C.B.S.—June 26, Three Tuns, 7. Important business.—Smith and Lees.

East Ham F.S.—June 26, Earl of Wakefield. Show. Judge, Mr. Gardner. Free to public after 6. (No entries taken after judging commences. Members are asked to contribute to 2nd egg collection for wounded soldiers in East Ham Hospital. W. A. Harwood.

Eccleshill C.B.S.—June 26, Fountain Inn. F.F. show. Entries same day, 2.30; birds staged at 3. Judge, P. Mason (Windhill).—S. Wilcock.

Edinburgh Norwich and M.B.S.—July 3, Picardy Place Hall, 2.30. F.F. show; birds staged 2.30. Judge, J. Holmes.—J. Stormont.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—June 26, Black Swan, 7. Last show prize money, and show business. A. Walton.

Fife C.B.L.—June 26, Gothenburg, Denbeath, 6.15. Show business. J. Cordery.

Fife and Kinross N.P.C.—July 3, Masonic Arms, Cowdenbeath, 7. General business. D. McGowan.

Falkirk C.B.S.—June 26, Graham's Road, 8.—R. Rennie.

Garston B.B.A.—N.F. show, June 26. Birds staged 4. Entries at the room. Mr. Thornton, judge.—A. T. Mullock.

Gt. Horton O.S.—June 26, Station Hotel, 7. Special meeting. Business important. Please note change of address.—A. W. Hartley, 1, Cragg-st., Gt. Horton.

Halifax C.B.S.—June 25, King Cross Band Room, Members' First N.F. show. Staged at 2. Judge, Mr. C. Morison (Brighouse). July 1, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 8. Lecture by Mr. H. J. Chittenden (Bradford). Special invitation given to all. Subject: "The Past, Present, and the Future of the Cage Bird Fancy."—A. Sutcliffe.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—June 26, 3 till 10. Young stock show. Judge, Mr. H. Norman. P. Brooks.

Huddersfield O.S.—June 26, White Hart Hotel, 7. Arangements for ramble, July 3, and other very important business.—A. Lawford.

Idle C.B.A.—June 26, Springfield Hotel, 2.30. Members' F.F. show. Judge, J. A. Taylor (Bradford). Entries same day.—T. Elsegood.

London & Counties A.C.B.—July 3, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., 8. Lecture on "Colour Feeding" by Mr. J. Hazell. Friends interested will receive a hearty welcome.—W. Gilbert.

Middlesbro' & Teeside C.B.S.—July 3, Crown Hotel, N.F. show; birds staged 2. Judge, Mr. T. Hill (Thornaby). Colour food, etc.—T. Bibby. (Please forward address.—Ed.)

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North Manchester C.B.S.—June 29, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. General business; important.—A. Colley.

Newsham C.B.S.—June 26, Willow Tree Inn, 7.15. For fixing of classes. Anyone wishing to join must do so on the above date.—W. Gibb.

New Cross C.B.S.—July 1, Salisbury Hotel, Clock Tower, Lewisham, 7.30. Young bird show. Judge, Mr. J. Robson. Fanciers invited. Admission free.—Burton Bros.

Oxhill Central W.S Club, C.B., F. & F.S.—June 27, Club Hall, 6.30. Replies from judges and formulate schedules.—Wm. J. Platten.

Preston O.S. F.F. show postponed from June 21 until July 23.—G. Buck.

Provincial Roller C.C.—June 26, Old Boar's Head Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Show business.—A. Perceival.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—June 29, Waring's Dining Rooms, 8. Entries for F.F. show.—G. Lord.

Runcorn B.B.A.—July 1, headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Entries for N.F. show and arrange for next table show.—E. Rone.

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Redcar C.B.S.—June 30, Crown and Anchor, 7.30. Report of F.F. show; date of 2nd N.F. show to be settled.—W. Boagey.

Sheffield O.S.—June 26, Forester's Hall, Trippett Lane, N.F. show, 4 to 9. Birds staged 2. Judge, Mr. J. Robson.—E. C. Job.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.A.—June 29, Liberal Club, 8. Arrangements for N.F. show, July 3, and other business. Judge, A. Lawford.—W. Everett.

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Springburn, Possil Park C.B.C. July 3, Reid Hall, 3. F.F. show.—J. Waugh.

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Shipley O.S. July 7, Victoria Hotel, 7. Open show classification. Long and Craven.

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W. London F.A.—July 1, Windsor Castle Hotel, Hammersmith. Young stock show.—J. Dewhurst.

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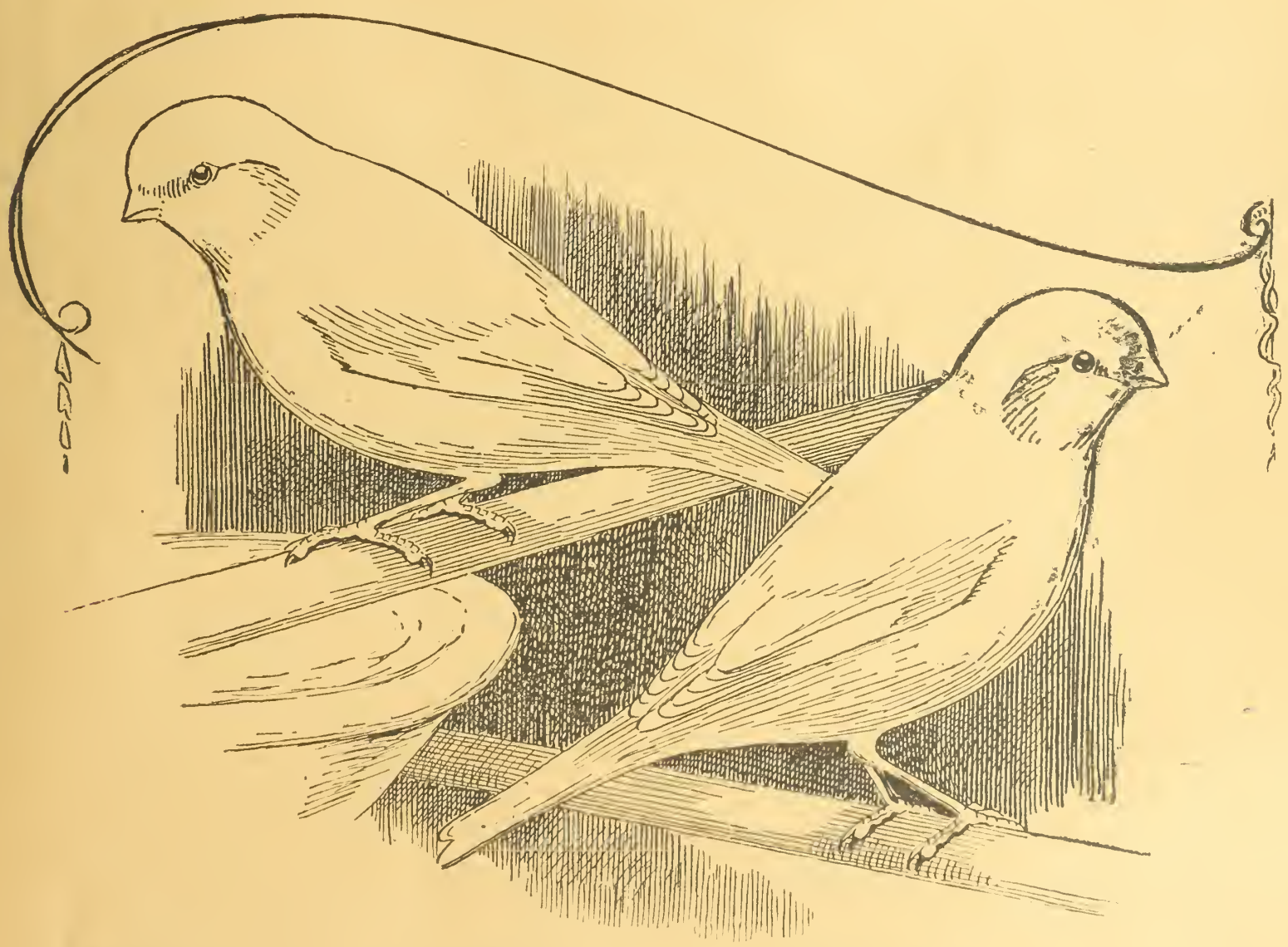

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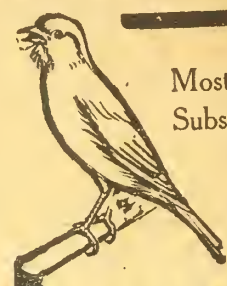

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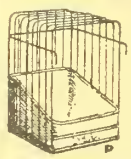

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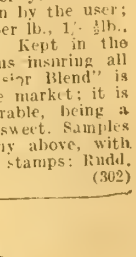

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Twitterings.

Pontypool C.B.S. will hold a nest feather show on July 17, at The Three Cranes Hotel, Crane Street.

Secs. of societies desiring the patronage of the Norwich Plainhead Club should write to F. Canliffe, sec., 19, Lark St., Burnley.

Mr. W. R. Powell, hon. sec. Aberaman C.B.F.A., writes that the society is holding a show for young and old birds at the Swan Hotel, Aberaman, on July 15.

Mr. R. H. Livingston (Rutherglen) has kindly consented to judge our F.F. Show, July 3, writes J. Irvine, Sec., Shettleston, Carntyne and Dist. C.B.S.

The Nest Feather Show of the Newcastle C.B.S., Saturday, July 3, will be held in St. Wilfrid's Hall, Blandford St., off Westmorland Road, 1.30 p.m. to 8.30, writes Mr. J. W. Reed, Sec.

Mr. J. E. Hudson, hon. sec. of the Laisterdyke, Bowling, and Tong Combination of C.B.S., has removed from 95, Brompton Road to 12, Crawford Street, New Hey Road, Bowling, Bradford.

Messrs. Ogden Bros. write that they have removed from Dudley Hill, and have started manufacturing at Shawl Mills, Thornton, Bradford. All correspondence should be addressed accordingly.

Summer Silence.

Every week brings with it new blossoms, but one misses the song in the woods. In these long days the Thrush and Blackbird are too preoccupied to sing. Like the housewives of England and France, they have many cares. Their fledged offspring are in peril, but they must bide in their bush, where no doubt they meditate graver themes than those expressed in song.—"Daily Mail."

I beg to thank you for your extreme courtesy in replying by post to my Canary query, for which there was no room in your last issue, writes Col. W. J. Bosworth, London, S.W. I should like also to thank Mr. Claude St. John for his ample and lucid answers to my questions. You and your staff are a very present help in time of trouble.

In times so anxious as those through which we are now passing, the relief afforded by occasional diversion cannot be other than beneficial. Metropolitan bird lovers will find an opportunity for such relaxation at the Young Bird show of the City and Suburban to-day (Saturday) at the Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street (just round the corner from Baker Street stations). There is a record entry of over 40 in the novice Clear Yorks class, and the total entry is more than 200.—Advt.

Red-footed Sparrows.

It is stated that considerable interest was recently aroused by the appearance in Regent's Park of a Sparrow with red feet. The authorities consulted admitted the peculiarity was new in their experience, and it was left to a keeper at the Zoo to offer a solution of the problem. The London pillar-boxes had just been re-painted.—"Yorkshire Post."

A Treat for Aberystwyth.

The magnificent collection of birds got together by the late Capt. Cosens, of Brondaparn, has been presented to the Aberystwyth College by Mrs. Cosens. Many of the birds were set up by Capt. Cosens himself, and the series includes some of the rarest of British birds. The collection will be on view as soon as the birds have been examined and mounted by the college authorities.

Another Fancier on the Roll of Honour.

It is with the deepest regret, writes Mr. T. Menzies, assist. sec. Cowdenbeath C.B.S., that I have to inform you of the death of Private Andrew Harvey, 7th Battalion, Black Watch, who was killed in action in France on June 18. He was an enthusiastic British bird fancier, and was a member of Cowdenbeath C.B.S. since its commencement. He leaves a wife and family to whom I am sure members of Cowdenbeath C.B.S. will extend their deepest sympathy.

OBITUARY.

MR. GEO. FULTON (Partick).

It is with great regret, writes Mr. A. M. Baird, that I have to inform you of the death of Mr. George Fulton, of Partick. He died on June 17 suddenly from heart failure, brought on through over-work at war material. Mr. Fulton was well-known all over Scotland, especially in Scotch Fancy circles, having been a keen Scotch Fancy breeder and exhibitor for over thirty years, and he was one of the ablest and perhaps the best known judge of the variety in Scotland. His was a cheery and optimistic nature, and his breezy and straightforward way of expressing himself at our leading shows, where his opinions were often asked, will be much missed. I am sure the heartfelt sympathy of Scotch Fancy men and others will be extended to his sorrowing wife and family in their sad loss. The funeral, June 19, was public, and a large party followed his remains to their last resting-place in Lambhill Cemetery. Amongst the mourners were a number of fanciers, including Messrs. Sievewright and Carr, Partick; McLauchlan and Black, Govan; Muir and McClure, Glasgow; Ferguson, Renfrew; Alex. Baird and A. M. Baird, Paisley.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Alfreton C.B.S. (Derbyshire).—Red Lion Inn July 10. Judge, J. Simms; 15 open classes: Nor. 3, Yorks. 3, Crests 2, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 1, Mule 2, Brit. 2, For. 1. Fee 1s. Prizes on sliding scale. Entries up to day of show to G. Beardall, Main Road, Shirland, Alfreton.

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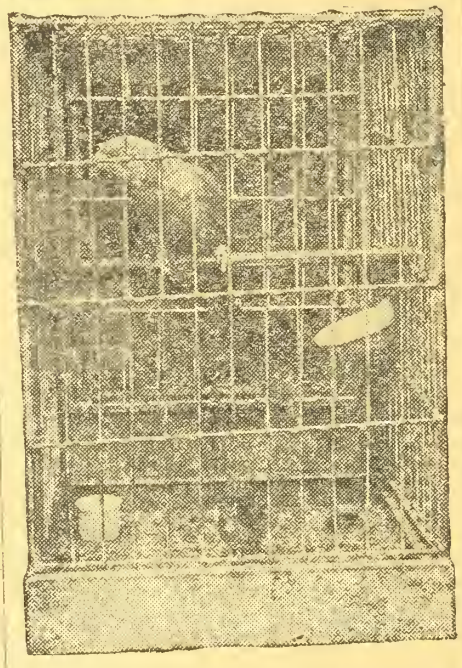
Too Much Nightingale!

I first heard the Nightingale about 50 years ago, when I was spending the week-end at a delightfully wooded residence at Wimbledon, says a correspondent to a Yorkshire paper. The garden was very extensive, comprising several acres, and no sooner had one Nightingale finished its notes for the time being than there was the answering call and challenge, from another Nightingale across the valley. I never slept a wink that night, and hoped and prayed I might never hear another Nightingale.



The Parrot which Mothered a Chicken.

INTERESTING DETAILS OF A STRANGE CASE.

As recorded in our issue of June 19, an Alexandrine Parrakeet, belonging to Mrs. Pledge, Bermondsey, has incubated a fowl's egg, bought from a provision shop. By the courtesy of the owner we are able to reproduce a photograph of the "mother and child." Both are doing well, and are living on the most amicable terms. The chick is seen on the bottom of the cage, while the Parrakeet seems to be challenging any interference with its precious "nestling."

In the Courts.

Cracked Eggs May be Taken.

Lewis Crowther, 19, mechanic, of Elland, was summoned at Halifax under the Wild Birds' Protection Act, for taking a Skylark's egg, on Sunday, May 23. In consequence of numerous complaints that had been received at Elland about eggs being taken, said Supt. Myers, watch had been kept, and it had been found that 15 birds' nests had been destroyed, and in one case five young birds killed. A lad named Joe Irving said that he saw defendant go to a Skylark's nest in the grass. He took three eggs out ,and replaced two. Another boy corroborated. P.C. Whiteley said defendant admitted taking the egg. At his home witness found a collection of about thirty.

Mr. David Garsed defended, and explained that defendant and a friend were taking a walk on Sunday, and going a short cut through some grass nearly stumbled over a nest. There were some boys about, and defendant, thinking they were after the eggs, took them out of the nest, so that the boys should not have them. He walked twenty yards, and when the boys had gone he went back to replace the eggs. He then found that one was cracked, and, thinking that a bird would not sit on a cracked egg, he took it home.—The case was dismissed.

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Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.**—(A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)
Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.
Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)
Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.
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Oct. 27-28.—**Carlisle (Border City) O.S.**—(J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle.)
Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).
Nov. 4. **Blaenavon C.B.S.**—(G. T. Jones, 13, Broad St.)
Nov. 5 6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.
Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.) H.W.B., W.M., W.N.
Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.
Nov. 9 10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.
Nov. 12-13.—**Blaydon-on Tyne C.B.S.**—(G. Havver, 1, Theresa St.) T.D., J.M., H.W.B.
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Nov. 19-20.—**Haltwhistle C.B.S.**—(Wm. Tallantyre, South View.)
Nov. 27.—**Coventry Godiva C.B.S.**—(F. A. Green, 54, Caludon Rd.)
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June is of the spring. Spring, the juvenile of the seasons, is abundantly endowed with the quicksilver of youth. Its mercurial impulse penetrates all Nature. The wild foods reflect it in the magical rapidity of their progress to maturity, and in their vitalising effect upon the birds, as we have seen.

A Temporary Scarcity.

July acclaims the summer, and spring's weed-foods are done with. Attenuated now, their value is relatively negligible, and they yield ground to later weeds of tougher fibre and more tardy growth. Knapweed and thistle, charlock and plantain, teazel and dock are such, and these already, in July, are much in evidence. They are not seeding yet, however, and comment on them may await that function. But they foreshadow autumn.

The wild Finches in July continue to be mainly insectivorous, and in natural conditions they find inexhaustible sources of supply, but for those in domestication the tapping of many of these resources is rather impracticable. There is, however, one that may be added to those mentioned in last month's notes, and that is greenfly blight, a typical example of the parasitical insects to which few of the popular seedeaters are indifferent.

This pest is frequently to be found on fruit trees, clustering thickly on the underside of the leaves, and round the shoots of new growth at the tips of the branches. Roses, too, are very susceptible to its attacks, while in uncultivated areas it invades the crab-apple, bullace, sloe, and other wild fruit trees. In situations such as these it is readily accessible for the use of the bird-keeper.

The effectiveness of insects of this class in stimulating the reproductive instincts of pairs put up for breeding has already been the subject of comment. In addition to this, they have also a unique efficacy in the field of rearing operations, which a lucky incident enabled me to test one July some years ago.

How the Green Fly Helped.

At the back of my garden (an ordinary suburban plot) was an old derelict orchard. In this orchard stood a damson tree, so woebegone and unthrifty looking that my interest was at once enlisted. Investigation soon revealed the trouble; the tree was very badly infested with green-fly blight, every leaf being, in fact, literally smothered with the pestial aphis.

It happened that in my bird house at the same time was a nest of five newly-hatched Goldfinch-Linnet Hybrids, with the usual foster parent—a hen Canary. I lost no time in annexing a few leaves from the infested tree, all choked as they were with the blight, and offering them to the Canary. She tumbled to the idea at once, and thereafter the industrious little bird spent the whole of her time in picking the pests one by one from the leaves and the sides of the cage, over which they soon were crawling, and feeding them to the young hybrids.

The result was that three of those hybrids left the nest on the tenth day, and the other two on the eleventh. Not prematurely, understand. They were, in every respect, excepting the usual incompleted length of tail, perfectly fledged and well grown. It is, of course, unlikely that green-fly blight will often come to hand in such abundant measure as on the occasion here related, but the observant bird-keeper may all the same make many unexpected hauls from time to time this month.

The wild birds do, however, direct their attention more liberally to seeds of various kinds as July wears on. The rattle of the grass-cutters in the hayfields is the preliminary to the first considerable foraging excursions undertaken by the birds since May unlocked for them the bounteous stores of spring. Goldfinches, Linnets, and Greenfinches, old and young, hasten to the fallen grass, and range over it in small parties daily until it is picked up and carted off as hay.

A hayfield is a paradise to teeming hordes of parasites, and it is likely that they are the main attraction. But it cannot be doubted either that the half-ripe grass and other seeds are extensively eaten as well.

Then there are many breadths of kale, rape, and other vegetable crops, which the farmer finds it expedient to divert from their intended use as food for sheep and cattle, and leave to run on to seed. These will be seeding prodigally by mid-July, and they are raided by Linnets and other seedeating birds in force. And, right at the end of the month, the oats and other cereals are entering that stage of semi-ripeness which attracts all the wild Finches in the neighbourhood.

Sparrows and Greenfinches are certainly the most flagrant offenders in the purloining of these ripening seeds, but Linnets and Chaffinches, to say nothing of Yellow and Corn Buntings, are far from guiltless, and their combined depredations are very serious. They are not villains, of course. They are not ruffians either. But that they are robbers is plain. (With apologies to Mr. Bart Kennedy.)

The farmer vows that birds are over-protected, and retaliates with dust shot and Sparrow clubs. It may be doubted whether either policy—protection or destruction—has any appreciable effect. It is at the same time a great pity that some broadening influence cannot expand the cramped outlook of such worthy individuals, for instance, as the one who, most irresponsibly, recently traced a connection between the accident of a pair of birds reoccupying a building site for some time left unused and the absence of the bird-catchers who have responded to the call of their country. (May all good luck attend the erstwhile bird-catchers in the stern task that lies before them now.) But all this is not to the present purpose.

A Lettuce-like Thistle.

July has at least one wild food that is reminiscent of the spring. That is sow-thistle, or, otherwise, milk-thistle. This is a plant of sturdy yet succulent growth, but its foliage, although strongly resembling that of the thistle, is not at all painful to handle. Its seeding habit is entirely unlike any of the other thistles, and almost exactly like lettuce. Lettuce masquerading as thistle might be suggested as a plausible if unscientific parallel.

It is a useful food for all green-food eating birds—notably Goldfinches, Greenfinches, and Bullfinches, and it contributes heavily to brightness of breast colour in the last-named. Moreover, it is a much favoured host of the green-fly blight.

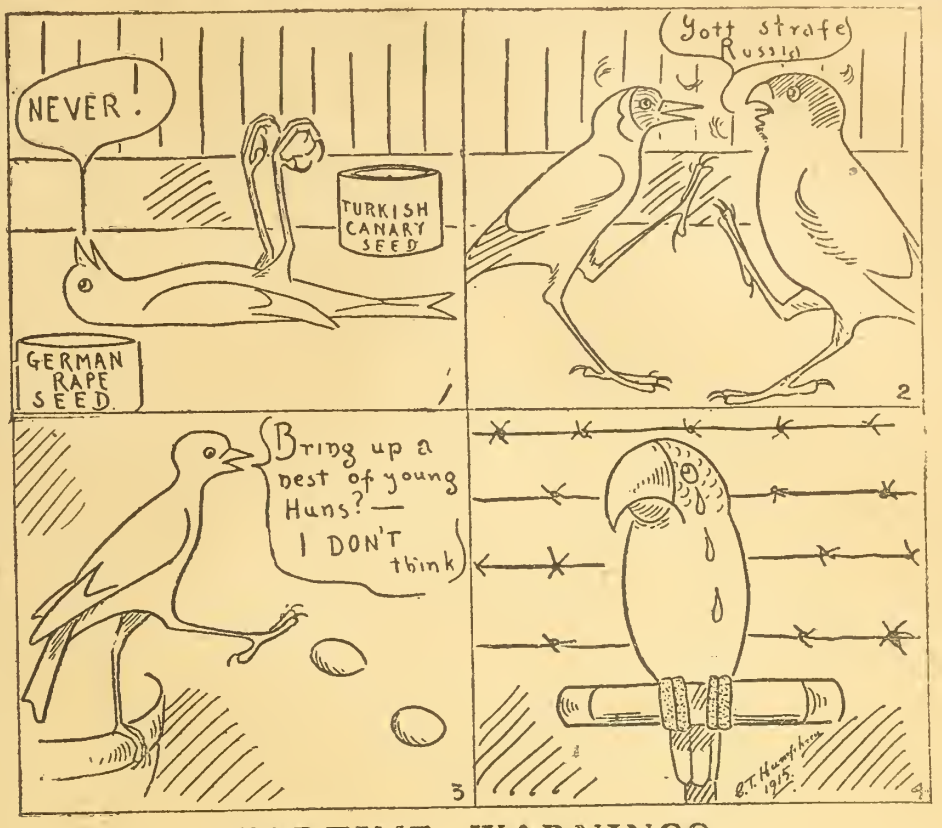
There are also, of course, the other essentially typical thistles, the kind that prick before they are touched, those of the uncompromising Scotch variety. These properly belong to a later season than July, but they are sometimes hurried prematurely into seeding by the activity of a plump white maggot that has long been domiciled, but hitherto innocently passive, within their heart, and now begins to eat a way out. These abnormally early heads are easily distinguished from the others by obvious signs of ripening, and they are excellent food for Goldfinches—the maggot included.

Lettuces in the garden that have run to seed are also of such benefit to these birds as to demand mention, although not coming strictly under the present heading. Green peas, again, are appreciated by most Greenfinches, Chaffinches and Bramblings, and held in high esteem by Hawfinches.

Useful to the Last.

Precisely to what extent shepherd's purse and the fine seeding grasses—most valued legacies of June—will overlap July will be determined by purely local influences, but until the sudden shedding of their ripened seeds abruptly ends their usefulness, they well repay exploiting in the birdroom.

Then there is ribwort, a weed akin to plantain (ratsta'l), which grows amongst the grass, and is of some small use for Linnets, as well as hawkweed and other composites with flowers like dandelion that may amuse the Goldies. In short, this is a month of odds and ends, and these, filling a gap in the seasons, are largely adventitious. It only remains to be added that it is the business of the bird-keeper to employ them in conformity with his individual opportunities and needs.



WARTIME WARNINGS.

1: Don't supply seed from enemy countries; your birds may "hunger-strike."
2: Don't try to breed Hybrids from Russian cock Goldfinches and German hen Bullies.
3: Don't expect British Canaries to hatch out the eggs of German Rollers.
4: If your Grey Parrot hails from German East Africa, intern it at once.

THE NORWICH PLAINHEAD.

Some remarks made by Mr. F. Cole, in opening a discussion, before the members of the Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S. April 6th.

THE subject for our discussion this evening is one which I think has caused more controversy at meetings throughout the country, and more varied opinions in the Fancy Press, than any other. The Norwich Plainhead, however, is a bird which must have a prominent position in our society, inasmuch as we have among our members some of the foremost breeders in the Fancy.

Multum in Parvo.

Let us first remind ourselves of our ideal and then consider how best to attain or build it up. A Plainhead is a bird of type, quality, and colour, with a pleasing jaunty movement; a good broad head, with a nice rise over a small beak; a bold clean eye, large and free from browing, fearless, not sulky; full cheeks, set on a thick, short neck; broad chest, and plump, rounded body; short, neatly folded, and well braced wings, and stiff, nicely piped tail; the body carried as forward as possible on a pair of short, clean legs and feet; each part well built together, giving the bird a short, thick-set appearance, and forming most pleasing curves and graceful outline. We want to get these points embodied in a bird measuring 6½ inches from top of skull to tip of tail. What an ideal! What an opportunity for careful study and anxious thought!

We are sometimes told we may use with advantage the Crest-Bred and the Lancashire in the production of a large Plainhead. I am quite aware that I am treading on dangerous ground, and running the risk of being again told I have yet to cut my wisdom teeth, but faint heart never won fair lady, and if I offend I trust I may be forgiven.

Our subject is essentially a bird of type. How shall we control that type? I think you will all agree we like good hens, because they are, as it were, the mould in which the young are made. For myself, I like a good medium hen, as near show form as possible, nice soft silky feather, brilliant and compact, the one feather merging into the other so that one cannot see the feathers at all, forming a surface polished as evenly as marble. If you can get a hen approaching this description, and a cock well bred, do not mind the cock being a bit coarse in feather. He must, however, be as large as possible, plenty of bone, and good substance, large skull, and, "tell it not in Gath," he may be a bit "browy"; in short, one of those that the outsider will say shows the Crest-Bred.

Some people can see the Crest bred in every large Norwich that is put before them, and will contradict you point blank, although you may have bred the bird, and are able to show the pedigree for several generations. I am not saying out-crosses have never been used in building up our bird, but it is not necessary to use these now.

The Crest-Bred-cum-Lancashire bogey is one of the greatest of the fallacies that the Fancy has to contend with, and the man who recommends such a cross is either wilfully throwing dust in the eyes of his fellow-breeders or is suffering from an unhealthy imagination. Take the head of the Norwich and that of the Lancashire. In the former it should be round and neat, in the latter broad and sulky-looking, while the head of the Crest-bred must carry abundance of broad feather well down the poll, and be well browed. Did you ever see such a contradiction?

The body of the Crest-bred does not compare with the Norwich, while the feathers at the side of the body, and at the vent, are absolutely opposed to a good Norwich. The wings and tail, too, are longer than we require. But if this be true in the C.B., it is doubly so in the Lancashire. What a tail! Falling down between the legs, to say nothing about the open space above, immediately beneath the wings. What length of body and semi-upright position, both totally antagonistic to our aim! No, I cannot believe that any person recommending these crosses has made a study of their shortcomings, or, if he has, why does he not give to the Fancy his whole experience? We have the Yorkshire fancier openly admitting he has bred good show Yorkies from a quarter or an eighth Belgian, but where do you find the Norwich man who states such and such winning Norwich was bred by him from a quarter Lancashire, or that at such and such time he introduced an out-cross? Browy heads and droop tails can be bred without recourse to either the Crest-bred or the Lancashire, and he who can see nothing but foreign blood in these faults is lacking in originality and common sense.

Size; and How to Get It.

The breeding of large stock Norwich is not a difficult matter. It can be accomplished by double buffing, pairing with large birds for one season, and the next season pairing a large double buff hen to the largest yellow cock in one's room. These, however, produce stock birds, rather than show specimens, but it is these stock birds which will maintain the size in any strain. I think it is a mistake to pair all our birds for show, and the fancier who can set apart one or two cages for building up material to strengthen some particular point he may be losing is the one who will attain his object first. It will also be easier for him to blend that material with his other stock than to get improvement by purchasing here or there a bird the particular characteristics of which he knows little about, and which he is more or less compelled to accept on its face value.

Quality we must have, and I find that we get this mostly from the hen; for preference a medium or small one. You may ask what

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Correspondence.

Proposed Cage Bird Society for Ystalyfera and Dist.

Sir,—We, the undersigned, along with many other fanciers, have felt the need of forming a C.B.S. here. Will readers of Cage Birds interested communicate with us, so that the society can be formed immediately, as we desire, if possible, to hold a members' young bird show.

J. Samuel.
Wm. Evans.

[No address is given, but possibly local fanciers will know the writers and be able to get into touch with them.—Editor.]

Eight Young Rollers in Seven Weeks.

Sir,—I have a pair of British-bred Roller Canaries which have hatched two nests of young ones, eight in all, within seven weeks. The first lot were hatched on April 12, the second on May 29. There are six cock birds among them, and all are doing well. I have kept other breeds, but none so quick to rear and feed themselves as Rollers. With the exclusion of German supplies from our markets now is the opportunity for anyone to keep these youngsters.

E. Tiffen.

To Hurry Up Hen Bullfinches.

Sir,—Would one of your numerous readers kindly tell me how to feed hen Bullfinches during moult and the winter so as to get them into breeding condition early—say, March or April—as my hens are always so late, it being the middle of July before they start nesting.

Novice.

[We should be glad to insert the experiences of our readers for the information of our correspondent. At the same time, we would point out that in a state of nature Bullfinches are late breeders, and we think it would be a difficult task to bring captive Bullfinch hens into breeding condition during March or April.—Editor Cage Birds.]

The Breast Colour of Caged Linnets.

Sir,—I see "E.G." would like some observations from readers as to the breast colour of the common Linnet. I have netted many in my time, and have caught some just showing the tinge of red on the breast, and in the spring these have come out blood red. I really think it is the wild seeds they get when they are moulting in the fields, because when you give them a house moult they lose it. I enlisted into the Army last September, so gave up birds for a while. I am now back from France, having been wounded in the left shoulder by shrapnel in the action at Ypres, May 5. I am going on fine after having been under an operation, and am convalescent at Highbury, at the late Mr. Joe Chamberlain's house, which has nice grounds. I am always pleased to get good old Cage Birds every Friday, as there is no paper to beat it.

Pte. E. Sadler, 1st Norfolks.

Another Fertile Hybrid Reported.

Sir,—I am pleased to tell you that one of our members, Mr. Robert Duncan, has been successful in hatching a young bird from a Norwich hen and a cock Goldfinch Mule. It hatched on June 23, and is now five days old and doing well. As I have never heard of such a cross before I thought it right to let you know, wishing Cage Birds every success.

A. Bishop.

Winchburgh.

[In reference to the letter from Mr. Norman published in our issue of June 26, Mr. Norman forwards a letter he has received from Mr. Meek to the effect that the hybrids mentioned therein were bred from a Twite-Greenfinch cock and a hen Canary, not from a Twite-Canary cock as stated.—Editor, Cage Birds.]

"Cage Birds" in the Dardanelles

Sir,—I was very pleased to note the letter in Cage Birds last week, under heading of "C.B. in the Dardanelles," from Mr. Raper. On behalf of the members of the Manchester and N.C.O.S., I beg to thank Mr. Raper for his kindly remembrance, and I am confident I am expressing the sincere wish of all our members in hoping that Mr. Raper will be amongst us again in the near future as well and hearty as he left us. If this note should reach him, I wish to point out that his name is still on the books of the M. and N.C.O.S. as a free member, and I have no doubt that on his return he will find a few Norwich fanciers in Manchester ready to help him to get together a fresh start in the hobby

F. Hayward, Hon. Sec.

[We need scarcely say that we heartily echo the wishes of the members of the Manchester and N.C.O.S. for the safe and speedy return of their fellow member.—Editor Cage Birds.]

Breeding Bullfinches in Captivity.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Stanley Dare re Bullfinches breeding in confinement, I may say that I have hatched them but failed to rear them. The father of my birds was the tame Bullie mentioned in my article last week, and the mother was a field-moulted bird caught just before Christmas (three years ago). They were in an outdoor aviary, quite a small one, together with the following, all cocks: Bramblefinch, Greenfinch, Goldfinch, Linnet, and Redpoll. I put in an old Blackbird's nest, which the hen re-lined. She laid four eggs, three of which hatched, and I think the young birds would have been reared had it not been for the other occupants, but unfortunately they only lived a week. Although the hen was field-moulted she would let me touch her when sitting.

Ralph Blake.

P.S.—In my article the cage for fresh-caught Chaffinches should read 2ft. x 18 inches x 6 high, not 16 as printed.

The Norwich Plainhead and How to Improve it.

Sir,—I thank Mr. Allsopp for his compliment. Very likely there are some Yorkshires that would improve the head properties quite as much as the muling hen we heard about a few weeks ago. As regards the Lizard cross, I can assure him that he would be more likely to get the small beak he makes so much of than by the Crest cross he recommends. It is a revelation to me to know our friend can produce the ideal head without any trouble (let us see them). Personally, I want to produce something that will beat my neighbours on the show bench, and if I can do that, the effect is all right, and the progress is satisfactory; as long as they carry their feather to make their head appear ideal, that is enough for me, without pulling the feather out to see that their skull is right shape. Mr. Allsopp defies me to name a cross that will improve the skull. My opinion is that if their head is of the right size and shape, the skull is all right. I have named the Crest for this purpose, and to prove my contention I will show six or seven, bred by myself, during the three seasons I have again taken up the hobby, against the same number he has bred from the time he has been in the Norwich Fancy. I should think this will be proof enough to satisfy Mr. Allsopp.

J. Bastock.

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is to become of the large hens. Personally, I never expect to breed show birds from large hens, unless such hens have come from a pair of birds mated for breeding show specimens. Large hens are very useful for breeding stock birds, and as I have said before this branch must not be overlooked.

Colour usually comes from the cock bird. I say usually, because unless a cock is colour-bred he cannot impart colour to his progeny. Who has not found sometimes that no matter what cock is paired to a certain hen the offspring are full of colour. I advise all breeders to use plenty of green blood, not that dull, flat green that one sometimes sees, but rich and bright—the colour that one sees on a good variegated yellow, the light parts of which shine like old gold burnished, or in a colour-fed buff like rich salmon. It is not sufficient to rely on colour-food alone to put on the colour; you must breed for it as well. I like one ticked or marked bird in each of my pairs.

In conclusion, let me ask you to be particularly careful what you put on the show bench. I know so and so likes a big one, and so and so likes a hot-coloured one; but don't pander to any individual too much. Let it be type first, type second, quality third, and then colour. Type paramount, for without this a Norwich is no Norwich, and however big, whatever the quality, and however bright the colour may be, we have lost our ideal—the bird of thick, chubby appearance, the "John Bull of the Fancy." If you do not approve of a judge's ideal ignore him. The matter is in your hands; don't send him stock birds, and in the end you will see he will give in.

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Colour Feeding Without Eggs.

Sir,—With reference to E. Williams' query re colour food, I can tell him that there is no occasion to use eggs at all. What I did last year was to give all my birds a mixture of Spratt's Cod Liver Oil Food, with Ramsden's pepper. Scald the food with boiling water, add a spoonful of golden syrup at the same time, then mix a tea-spoonful of maw and gold of pleasure, and add the colour to suit, according to depth required. The food may also be made with a few old potatoes mixed into a stiff paste. Some of mine last year were like beet-roots in colour, and one took Ramsden's special at the Lambeth Baths Show for best colour fed in a class of 29. Sorry I have no Norwich this year, as I am only going in for Rollers, of which I have bred 40 from 5 pairs, all nice birds, doing well.

J. Taylor.

Sir,—In answer to Mr. Williams's request for a cheap way of making colour food without eggs, I am sending my own method. I have between 70 and 80 birds to colour-feed this year, and as eggs are so dear I have not used them. As soon as the young were able to peck up, I got three and a-half pounds of Spratt's Chicken Meal, which cost 9½d. I take a breakfast-cupful of the meal, put it into a basin with two table-spoonfuls of sugar, and add the red pepper. I mix up in a dry state, then add boiling water until it is damp through, and put a saucer over the top to keep the steam in until soft (it will swell a lot). Just before giving it to the birds I sprinkle a little maw seed in. I have not used anything else myself this year, and my birds are coming out a splendid colour. Any fancier can come and see my birds by appointment. Wishing Cage Birds every success.

W. T. Manning.

712, Romford Road, Manor Park.

Sir,—Seeing in last week's Cage Birds a reader asking if he could colour-feed his stock without the use of eggs, I may say, after twenty years of egg and biscuit, with bread for a change, I have given up the use of eggs altogether, and I find I have stronger and more robust youngsters by the use of cod liver oil food mixed with a cake I make myself. Your correspondent should try the following: Take 3½lbs. best white flour, ½-lb. linseed meal (buy the linseed meal from the chemists, you will get it better), 1oz. baking soda, 1½oz. of cream of tartar, 1lb. pure lard, 1lb. soft sugar. Put the lard into a clean basin, along with the sugar, and with your hand beat them into a white cream; the more you beat, the lighter the cake will be. Mix the soda and cream of tartar well through the flour and linseed meal; put all into the basin, and make into a paste with milk (sour milk will do) and put into two flat tins to bake. I should advise him to send it to the bakers to cook, as they make a better job of it than one can do with a cooking range. Have the cake well baked, cut it into slices about ½-in. thick, and put into the oven to dry; do not have the oven too hot, you want to dry it right through, so as to be able to grate it into meal and store away in air-tight tins for use. Take the quantity you require for your stock, moisten it down with warm water, and mix the colour into it, and you can take my word for it your birds will eat it without any trouble, and come through the moult strong and healthy with a bloom on their feathers like silk. If the above is too large a quantity, the amounts may be halved.

John Jeffrey.

Birds in the Firing Line.

An Interesting Letter from a Soldier Reader.

Sir,—Just a few lines hoping to find you and all the staff in the very best of health. I am glad to say at the present I am "in the pink," but a bit lonely without my birds. I hope the boys are all having a good breeding season, and that the shows are still holding on. The birds out here seem to be a bit rougher in plumage than those at home, and the Canaries all seem to be a bit dirty; I have not seen a clean Canary yet, but they all sing very well. I was billeted next to a house where the woman kept eight Canaries, and they had all got red mite, so I put them right for her and they are now singing grandly. The Blackbird and Thrush do not seem to sing so nicely as in England; Yellow-hammers are plentiful, and Larks are singing grandly. By the way, about three weeks ago I happened to go about thirty yards to the back of our trench, and there I found a nest of Larks about a week old. Although the shells were falling all around them, the parent birds were dropping about ten yards away from the nest, creeping up to the young, and feeding them as if nobody was near.

I am now in a billet for a day or two's rest, and the Swallows have nests just against the door where a shell has bored a hole through the wall. I can reach them very easily, and they take no notice of us. Magpies are very plentiful, and in one of the trees in a row at Rouge Croix there is a nest in one tree which has been nearly blown up by a shell. The only bird I have not yet seen in the trenches is the lovely little Bob Robin; I have never seen him in France except once, and that was 200 miles from the trenches. Sparrows are still busy building in the old houses and trees. They seem to be bigger than ours, but the cock is not so bright in colour. Brown Linnets are in good song, but seem to be rather scarce around the firing lines. The Cuckoo takes no notice of our guns; he is always on the go.

I have Cage Birds sent to me every week from home, and pass my copy along when I have read it. If you have a few spare copies, I shall be glad if you would kindly forward them so that I can give them to the boys. That was a fine picture of a Blackbird in the last copy I received, and does very great credit to your artist, Mr. Norman. I might say that when I joined I had to part with all my birds (over 300), but I hope to start again if I return safely.

Pte. W. Bridgen.

British Expeditionary Force.

More Twin Canaries.

Sir,—I thought you would be interested to know that on June 6 I had the pleasure of having two young Canaries hatched from one egg, and as I have never heard of a similar instance, I should like to know if it is a solitary case. The hen is a Norwich, and has already brought up four birds this season, after which she laid four eggs in the bottom of the cage, which were smashed as I drew out the bottom. I then took her first brood away from her and gave her a new nest, and the following week she laid four more eggs, the first of which produced the twins mentioned. I had cleaned the cage out the day previous, and saw the four eggs in the nest; the next morning there were the two birds hatched, and the remaining three eggs. She has now four birds living, one egg not being fertile. I may state I do not remove the eggs as they are laid, and I have very good luck with them, but as I thought this was a unique instance, I would let you know of it. I may say several saw the twin birds before the other three eggs were hatched.

A. J. Baker.

Where the Sun Does the Hen's Work.

Sir,—While bathing in the river Kanhan, about a mile from our barracks, Kamptee, Central India, one of our sergeants of H Company The Buffs found the eggs of a Waterfowl (Mughabi) alongside the river bank, laid on the sand. He took the eggs back with him, and placed them on his rifle rack alongside his bed. This morning, after nearly three weeks, we had a surprise; one of the eggs had hatched out, and another was pipped. Have you heard of anything similar to this? The eggs had been handled freely by several of us during the three weeks, and all the assistance they had was the sun shining on them during the day through the window. The parents of these birds are much like the English Snipe, but larger and greyer in colour. The temperature of the room is a good bit over 100 degrees; during the day at times it is 117 and 118 degrees. We have several Mynahs round our bungalows, and they seem fairly tame; they will start building next month, June, when the monsoons start. The weather here at present is rather warm, it being from 117 to 120 in the shade, so you can guess this wants a bit of sticking; most of the younger soldiers from this station have been sent up on the hills on account of the heat. I should like to write you a long letter about the birds of Kamptee, which are very plentiful. There are plenty of small birds of the size of the Robin, and with the same habits, but black and glossy, with about two white patches in the centre of the first flight feathers. We call them Black Robins, and very perky they are, as saucy as our own Redbreasts. I miss Cage Birds very much, and must make arrangements to have it sent out. I had the luck this morning to find a Mynah's nest in the roof of the skittle alley in the R.A. lines. It was built of pieces of newspaper with war pictures on them, old pieces of blotting paper, twigs, and dead leaves. I should be glad of advice as to caging and feeding young Mynahs.

G. W. Moy.

5th Buffs, Kamptee, Central India.

[Mr. Page has answered your query as to the keeping of Mynahs, and you will find his reply in our query columns. We shall be very glad to receive your notes on the birds of Kamptee, for we are sure they would interest our readers.—Editor Cage Birds.]

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Members' sing. Commercial Hotel; 28 birds entered. 1st, Potter; 2nd, Cooper; 3rd, Plows. Timekeepers, J. Cooper, R. Plows; tappers, J. Wallis, O. Potter. Open sing July 3, at 3.—R. Plows, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Members' sing. George and Dragon, Bridge St., June 26, for three prizes; four minutes time singing. 1, Nelson; 2, Morley; 3, Watkiss. Open sing June 27 for three prizes; three minutes time singing. 1, Morley; 2, 3, Watkiss.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, club sing, June 26; 43 birds entered for four prizes, four minutes time singing 1, Pugh; 2, Bull; 3, Scotson; 4, Nelson. Open sing June 27; 37 entered for four prizes, three minutes time singing. 1, Pugh; 2, Nelson; 3, Scotson; 4, Board.—S. Pugh, Sec.

BLACKBURN.

Blackburn Quality Linnet Singing Association consolation contest, June 19, Club House, Empire Hotel, Bolton Road; 30 birds competed. 1, cup and special, Dobson; 2, Stansfield; 3, 5, Smedley; 4, Holden; 6, Bromley; 7, Hayhurst; 8, Jones; 9, Page; eight other prizes were given by Mr. D. Bentley, Great Harwood.—T. Hayhurst, Sec.

LEEDS.

Quality singing, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, June 26; 19 birds sang. 1, Dolton; 2, King; 3, Hullen. June 27, 28 competed; 1, Binns; 2, Hullen; 3, Granger; 4, King. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and Blackburn.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Open contest for quality Linnets, Clarence Hotel, Skinner Lane; 24 birds competed, and some very good singing was heard before a crowded house. 1, Ward; 2, Standly; 3, 4, shared Lipman and Wigfield. Judge, T. Summers, Green, Brian. June 27, 22 sang; 1, 2, shared Stockhill and Standly; 3, Towers; 4, Lipman. Judges, Summers, Biss and Butterfield.—W. Lipman, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, open contest for quality Linnet singing, June 26; 19 birds sang for three prizes: 1, 2, W. Sissons; 3, Parker. Judges, Bott and Jennings. June 26, selling handicap; 16 birds sang for three prizes; 1, Parker, 2, Condliffe; 3, Hayes. Judges, Jennings and Naylor. June 27, 19 sang for three prizes; 1, Gawthorpe; 2, Richardson; 3, Chippendale. Judges, Butler, Jennings and Naylor.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Quality Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, contests June 26; 25 birds contested. H. Hargreaves and C. Lorriman judges. 1, Lorriman; 2, Chippendale; 3, Booth; 4, Walker. June 27, 24 birds sang. Judges, Hargreaves and T. Soloman; timekeeper, B. Booth. 1, Parkinson; 2, 3, Lorriman and Chippendale shared.—F. Turner, Sec.

Club Reports.

WEST STANLEY (Victoria) F.F., &c

Meeting June 20, Mr. J. Armitage chair, and a good turn up of members. Mr. J. Stanger, Pelton Fell, was elected to judge members' show Dec. 4, 5. We have a good schedule of 48 classes. Will members turn up at next meeting, July 18, to confirm same. Our late chairman, Mr. R. Peart, is going to run for the management board, and it was decided to give him our support, so please don't forget to rally round a popular fancier.—R. Hutchinson, Sec.

BURNLEY O.S.

Meeting Star Inn, Church Street, Mr. Hargreaves presided over a good turn-up of members. New members nominated, J. Lingard and A. Foster. Decided to hold a table show July 17 with three good specials given by Messrs. Edwards, Lingard and Spencer. Mr. R. Braybrook has promised to judge, so that a chance will be given to those who were unfortunate not to have birds ready for the I.F. show. Next meeting July 14, at 7.30. Anyone desirous of joining the society please communicate with T. Chadwick, Sec., 42, Shale Street, Burnley.

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PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

General meeting, June 23, Porth Hotel; chair, Mr. R. Hillman, with a good attendance. The cup was decided for best bird in F.F. show. Meeting was called for June 24 to receive schedule; anyone not receiving one apply to sec., as this will be last notice before the show.—J. H. Bevan, Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Mr. G. J. Slade has given me a challenge cup for our young bird shows for the best youngster shown, to become the property of a member winning it three times in succession or four times in all. I have also decided to give a medal to the best foreign bird at F.F. show.—W. L. Page, Hon. Sec.

CHESTER-LE-STREET C.B.S.

Meeting June 19, Mr. Stanger chair, before a good turn-up of membe s. Schedule for N.F. show was completed with 19 classes. Decided to add 1s. to the entrance money in each class. Mr. W. T. Smith, South Shields, was elected judge. Members elected: Meers, Towers, Dagg, Arnold, Young. Next meeting July 17, N.F. show night.—R. Ward, Sec.

WEST STANLEY C.B.S.

Meeting June 26, Mr. G. F. Bates chair, and a fair turn-up. Five new members joined, Messrs. J. Stanger, T. Wilson, W. Foster, J. Robson, J. Lowerson. Decided to hold annual show Nov. 13, a week after our old date. Judges nominated: Messrs. A. Holden, J. Riseboro, T. Dixon, J. Hands, and H. Seely. Members and intending members turn up at next meeting to select judge.—W. Cresswell, Sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting June 19, Mr. Hutchinson chair. Decided to have no young bird show, as members have had a poor season. W. Kilty was made a member. We are getting new members very well this year, but would like to see some of the old members turn up to push the show forward. The members agree to Mr. Peart's offer instead of getting a new cup, but please turn up and let us have a good meeting next time.—W. Thompson.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting June 10, Oldham Hall, Mr. J. Abbott chair. Minutes of the delegates' meeting for amalgamated show were read and accepted. N.F. show, 19 birds staged. Yorks Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, 2, Greaterex; 3, Maxwell. Buff: 1, Greaterex; 2, Thomas. Var.: 1, Greaterex; 2, Thomas. Green Self Buff: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Garrood; c, Bowen. Brit. Goldf.: 1, Cowan; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Robertshaw. Judges, Messrs. J. McDermott and J. Lloyd.—T. R. Jones, Sec.

BARROW C.B.A.

Meeting, June 16, Gardner's Restaurant, A. Hudson presiding, and a fair turnout of members present. Everything looks in favour of a record N.F. show this year. Almost three thousand tickets are in circulation, and going well in support of Tommy's Tobacco Fund; members rally round and give us a large entry. Decided to hold a special meeting July 7, the Wednesday before the show, when entries will be taken, so keep this date in mind.—D. McFarlane, Hon. Sec.

MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, June 24, headquarters, "Seven Stars," John's Lane, Wolverhampton, Mr. Willows presiding over a moderate attendance. Members elected: Mr. W. Powell, Mr. Broadbent. The chairman, Mr. Willows, gave a splendid paper on the training of the Roller Canary for exhibition, which was full of practical knowledge, the members present declaring that it was by far the best paper they had had the pleasure of listening to, the speaker treating upon all details from the nest to the show bench. Members absent missed a treat. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Willows closed a very pleasant evening.—J. W. Thomson.

MANCHESTER AND N.C.O.S.

Meeting, Deansgate Hotel, June 21. (Members please note that this meeting was not announced in CAGE BIRDS, owing to the announcement being delayed in post; the Editor kindly sent letter of explanation re same.) There was a fair attendance, and two new members were elected. Sec. was instructed to write to several halls for terms re our open show. Judges were nominated. These matters will be settled next meeting, members please attend. This year we intend to engage specialist judges for each variety as far as possible. There is an error in the wording of competition for team medal in N.F. show schedule. Each team of four will be judged as a team, and not the highest points to count as stated.—F. Hayward, Hon. Sec.

PELTON FELL C.B.S.

Meeting June 26. As the sec. has gone to serve his King and country, Mr. James Slanger has taken his place till he returns, and Mr. R. Ward was elected chairman. We arranged classes for annual show; 7 Ncr, 7 C.B., 7 Yorks, 7 Bord., Can. A.O.V., Mule or Hyb., 2 Linnet, Goldf. or Bullf., Greenf., Redpoll, Siskin or Twite, Bunting, Hen Brit., A.O.V. Seedeater, Softbill, For. single or pair. We have altered our date from Nov. 6 to suit a few members in other sections, and have left date open until next meeting. Our schedule for next show read: 12 o'clock; members please try and get at 11 o'clock, so as to get the judge started at 12. I hear there are plenty of good birds bred in the district, and we have a lot of novices' classes to suit young fanciers. We want a lot of members now; there are 40 classes for a members' show. Come and get your birds tried.—J. Stanger, Sec.

SHETTLESTON C.B.C.

Meeting, Good Templars' Hall, Main St., June 12, Mr. E. Taylor chair. Judges fixed for annual show, Crests, Nor., and Scotch Fancy, A. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch; Yorks, Bord., and A.O.V., R. Heggie, Stepps; remainder, R. V. Raine, Cathcart. J. Dobson was proposed for membership. Final arrangements were made for F.F. show, July 10, in above hall, a most suitable place and comfortable for visiting fanciers. Classes for British birds will be provided. Fanciers desirous of becoming members should communicate with sec.—S. F. Wood, Sec., 4, Tolleross Road, Parkhead, Glasgow.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.A.

Meeting, June 26, Mr. Gardner in the chair. Arrangements for young bird show, July 10th, Mr. Gardner judge; list of specials was drawn up. Sec. stated that a number of subs. were unpaid, owing doubtless to the war, but he had a balance of 25s. in hand. Last year 45s. was voted to the special prize fund. Resolved to withhold that grant altogether this year, and appeal to the members. Enough has already been promised to provide a small special for each class, without touching the general funds, thus leaving the society in a far better position to stand the strain of war times, and to "keep the flag flying." Two new members were elected.

CINNAMON-MARKED Y.C.C.

Meeting, June 26, Mr. Morrison (pres.) in the chair. Owing to the sec. sending out postcards late, there was only a poor attendance. Sec. read applications of 16 societies for club's patronage. Decided to have 10 shows only for open or champion and amateur sections, the novice section to run through Yorks. Union novice classes where two classes are provided for cinn. marked Yorks. The following societies were granted patronage: Shipley O.S., Bradford West, Tong, Sheffield, Huddersfield, Bradford National, Windhill, Gt. Horton, Bradford East, Halifax. The value of the competition prizes was fixed as last year; for full particulars members must look to their handbooks, which will be to hand shortly. Any member whose sub. is owing for last year must let me know if he wants his name in book, and members who have changed their addresses should let me know as early as possible.—R. Garnet, Sec.

The Shows.

HARTLEPOOLS C.B.S.

F.F. show of Canaries and Mules, St. George's Hall, June 26, with a very poor turn up, nearly all the members complaining of bad luck. This was the worst show that we have held, there being only 32 entries. Mr. E. Woodhead judged. Yorks.: 1, 2, hc, Naylor; 3, 4, vhc, Heslop. Nor.: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Ronald; 3, c, Gray. Yell. Bord.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Watson. Buff: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Watson. Mule or Hyb.: 1, 2, 3, 4, hc, Hogg; vhc, c, Apedale.—J. W. Thornton, Sec.

IDLE C.B.A.

First young show, Springfield Hotel, June 19. Quality was excellent, some promising birds being on show. Mr. J. A. Taylor (Bradford) judged, giving every satisfaction. Class 1: 1, vhc, Studd; 2, Sparks; 3, c, Chippindale; 4, Elsegood; hc, Wood. Class 2: 1, sp best in show, Thomas; 2, Chippindale; 3, Studd; 4, vhc, Sparks; hc, Baxter; c, Wood. Class 3: 1, 4, hc, Studd; 2, H. Pearson; 3, Chippindale; vhc, Wood; c, Baxter.—T. Elsegood, Sec.

GUISBOROUGH PRIORY C.B.S.

Young stock show June 12, West's Rooms. Champ Yorks Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, Cook. Mkd.: 1, Cook; 2, 3, Wilson. Nor. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, Cook. Mkd.: 1, Cook. Nov. Cl. or Tkd. Nor.: 1, Knaggs; 2, 3, Atkinson. Mkd.: 1, 2, Knaggs. Nov Yorks Cl. or Tkd: 1, Starling; 2, Wesson Mkd: 1, 2, Wesson; 3, Gixham. A.O.V.: 1, Starling; 2, 3, Campbell. Brit.: 1, Cook; 2, 3, Atkinson. As most of the members have done so badly, the above show was only small, but it is hoped the next one will be larger.—A. W. Knaggs.

LEIGH C.B.S.

Table show of N.F. birds, June 23. Nor. and Yorks. turned up in grand style. Mr. J. Brooks and Mr. J. Davies judged Yorks. and Nor respectively, and the remaining classes jointly, and their awards gave complete satisfaction. Nor. (15): 1, 2, 3, Ordish; vhc, Dawson; hc, c, Margerison. Yorks. (23): 1, 2, hc, c, Spiby; 3, Hamer, vhc, Walkden. A.O.V. (1): 1, Walkden. Mules (1): Walkden. Members please note there will be no meeting until July 21, the entry night for the annual N.F. show. Schedules and entry forms will be posted.—R. Charleson, Sec.

SOUTHPORT C.B.S.

First N.F. show, June 19. The season has not been a success from a breeding point of view in the district and entries were down compared with last year, but some very promising youngsters were staged. Judges, Messrs. Cookson and Wright.

Yell Nor (10): 1, 2, Sutton; 3, Whitehead, vhc, Millburn, hc, Fawcett; c, Johnson. Cl. Buff (7): 1, 2, Sutton; 3, H. Johnson; vhc, Johnson, hc, Fawcett; c, Whitehead. Mkd. Buff 1, 3, Sutton. 2, Fawcett; vhc, Fawcett, hc, Millburn; c, Johnson. Yorks. Yell.: 1, vhc, Nixon; 2, c, Linaker; 3, Wright; hc, Whitehead. Cl. Buff: 1, 3, Linaker; 2, Whitehead; vhc, Wright; c Nixon. Mkd. Buff: 1, vhc, Linaker; 2, 3, Nixon.

MANNINGHAM C.B.A.

Show, June 26, Club Room, Mowbray Arms, Lily Street; Mr. H. Sutcliffe judged and gave every satisfaction. Cl. Yell. Yorks: 1, so best bird, 3, Moore; 2, Terry; 4, vhc, Grange; hc, Drake. Buff: 1, hc, Grange; 2, 3, 4, Terry; vhc, Drake.

NORTHERN YORKSHIRE C.C.

Table show, June 16, Shield's Cafe. Entries were very disappointing, there being no entries in the novice section; this is not easy to understand as the novice stands equally as much chance as the champion of winning the cup. Mr. T. B. Tomlinson judged and gave every satisfaction. Clears: 1, 3, Tindale; 2, vhc, Crawhall; 4, hc, F. Johnson. Tkd. or Mkd.: 1, 3, Crawhall; 2, Tindale; 4, vhc, Mather. Next table show, July 14; Mr. J. Davison, Blayton, is expected to judge.—R. Tindale, Hon. Sec.

BURNLEY O.S.

First N.F. show June 19, Star Inn, Church-st. We had not a large entry owing to many members having had a bad breeding season, but a few good birds were staged. Mr. K. Braybrook judged, and gave every satisfaction. Mr. T. Lingard again won the challenge cup and club sp., and W. Broxup, a novice who is making good headway, was runner-up and won spl. presented by Mr. West. Yell.: 1, Lingard; 2, Catlow; 3, F. West. Buff: 1, 3, Lingard; 2, vhc, Broxup; hc, c, Catlow. Winners of specials: Broxup, West, Catlow. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Broxup. Brit. Hardbill: 1, 2, Broxup.—T. Chadwick, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

Annual F.F. show, June 12, White Hart Hotel. 51 birds staged. Mr. F. Taylor, Skelmanthorpe, judged, and gave general satisfaction. Cl. or Invis. Tkd. Yell. Yorks. (8): 1, Shanks; 2, Buttle and Coupland; 3, Swindon; vhc, Smithies; hc, Sykes; c, Cotton. Buff (12): 1, Smithies; 2, Battye; 3, vhc, Buttle and Coupland; hc, Smithies; c, Skinn. Tkd. or Variegated (19): 1, Hicks; 2, c, Skinn; 3, Shanks; vhc, Cotton; hc, Sykes. Cinn. Mkd. Yell. (5): 1, 2, Wood; 3, Towenend; vhc, Buttle and Coupland; hc, Whitehead. Buff (2): 1, Wood; 2, Swindon. Nor. (3): 1, 2, H. W. Battye; 3, Armistead. Sell. (2): 1, Radley, 2, Astley.—A. Lawford, Sec.

HALIFAX C.B.S.

N.F. show, King Cross Band Room, June 26; 30 birds staged. Mr. C. Morrison (Brighouse) judged. Open, Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks.: 1, Sharpe; 2, vhc, Priestley; 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Savile. Buff: 1, Priestley; 2, Sutcliffe. Even, uneven, etc.: 1, Priestley; 2, 3, Sharpe; 4, Savile. Nov., Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks.: 1, Shaddin and Baldwin; 2, 3, hc, Gelder; 4, W. Horsman; vhc, c, F. Horsman. Buff: 1, 2, 4, Shaddin and Baldwin; 3, vhc, W. Horsman; hc, Gelder. Even, etc.: 1, W. Horsman; 2, Shaddin and Baldwin. Both sections: Self or Foul, Green Yorks.: 1, F. Horsman; 2, Shaddin and Baldwin; 3, Savile. It was decided at last meeting that Messrs. Thomas's, Hanson Lane, supply members with colour food. Members' to produce syllabus cards to obtain at special prices.—A. Sutcliffe, Sec.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

First N.F. show June 16; 100 birds staged. Mr. J. Walker judged, with satisfactory results all round. Members please note, we are to have a club photo. on July 4; meet at Walton Hall, Queen's Drive, at 11.30.

Nov. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (12): 1, Percival; 2, G. Grice; 3, Hammond; vhc, McLaughlin; hc Leadbetter; c, Nugent. Buff (9): 1, Leadbetter 2, 3, vhc, McLaughlin; hc, Hammond; c, Percival. Heavily Mkd. or Variegated. Yell. (5): 1, 3, McLaughlin 2, Hammond; vhc, Quick; hc, Leadbetter. Buff (5) 1, Quick; 2, McLaughlin; 3, vhc, Jordan; hc, Percival. Green, S. or F. Yell. (3): 1, 2, McLaughlin. 3, Hammond. Buff (7): 1, vhc, McLaughlin; 2 Jordan; 3, Howard; hc, Quick; c, Hammond. Nor. A.V.: 1, 2, 5, Wilkins; vhc, Atherton. Bord., Cl. etc., Yell.: 1, Ritchie; 2, Bratherton. Buff: 1, 2 hc, Bratherton; 3, vhc, c, Ritchie. Green Buff: 1 3, Battersby; 2, Ritchie. Goldf. (6): 1, 2, hc, c Howard; 3, Keenan; vhc, Hammond. Bullf. (2). 1, Lloyd; 2, Howard. Greenf. (7): 1, Williams; 2 Keenan; 3, Lloyd; vhc, hc, Kelly; c, Nugent. Chaff. or Bramble. (9): 1, 3, Kelly; 2, vhc, Lloyd. hc, Keenan; c, Williams. Linnet (3): 1, Keenan. 2, Kelly; 3, Williams. Redpoll, Etc. (4): 1, Williams; 2, vhc, Lloyd; 3, Kelly. A.O.V. Cock (4) 1, 3, Keenan; 2, Lloyd; vhc, Kelly. Hen (3): 1 Kelly; 2, Williams; 3, Howard. Mule or Hyb. (6). 1, Lloyd; 2, hc, Keenan; 3, vhc, Kelly; c, Williams. Points: Nov. Yorks., McLaughlin, 41, Nor., Wilkins 9; Bord., Bratherton, 14, Champ. Brit., Lloyd, 97. Nov. ditto, Kelly, 30.—E. S. Broadhurst, Hon. Sec.

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THE SHOWS.

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ECCLESHILL C.B.S.

First members' show, June 26, Fountain Inn; 42 birds were judged to the satisfaction of all by Mr. P. Macon, Windhill. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks.: 1, Fretwell; 2, Close; 3, 4, Sparks; vhc, Wilcock. Buff: 1, Baxter; 2, 3, Fretwell; 4, Airton; vhc, hc, Stebbings; c, Wilcock. A.O.V., Yell. Yorks.: 1, Airton; 2, Close; 3, Fretwell; 4, vhc, Pearson; hc, Baxter. Buff: 1, Pearson; 2, 3, Baxter; 4, Fretwell; vhc, Baxter; hc, Sparks. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Nor.: 1, Simonett. Buff: 1, 2, Airton; 3, 4, Walton; vhc, Wilcock. A.O.V., Nor.: 1, 3, Airton; 2, vhc, hc, Simonett; 4, c, Wilcock.—S. Wilcock, Sec.

PERTH CITY AND COUNTY C.B.S.

Annual N.F. show, Labour Rooms, Rose-terrace, June 26. Mr. J. Adams (Dundee) judged, and gave satisfaction. Entries were very disappointing, although quality was again to the fore; 34 birds staged. Nor. Yell.: 1, spl., 2, Borrie; 3, Carstairs; 4, Mrs. Banks. Buff: 1, spl., Crawford; 2, Mrs. Banks; 3, Carstaire. Crest: 1, spl., Crawford; 2, Blyth; 3, 5, Bruce; 4, Allan. C.B.: 1, sp., Blyth. Bord., Yell.: 1, spl., Blyth. Buff: 1, spl., 3, Lawrie; 2, Blyth; 4, 5, Borrie. Yorks., Yell.: 1, spl., Gunning. Buff: 1, spl., Gunning. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, spl., McPherson; 2, Bruce; 3, Duncan. Greenf. or Linnet: 1, spl., 3, McPherson; 2, 5, Brown; 4, Robertson. A.O.V.: 1, spl., 2, McPherson. Mule or Hyb.: 1, spl., 2, 3, Duncan.—J. L. Smith, Sec.

NORTH MANCHESTER C.B.S.

First F. show June 26. Mr. Harrison (Altrincham) judged, and gave satisfaction. The show was well patronised by the public. The judge said that some very promising youngsters were on show, and were a credit to the breeders.—A. Colley, Sec.

From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: Amat. Yorks., Cooper, Clarke, Taylor, Firth; Nor., Hadfield; Bord., Colley, Dutton; Nov. Yorks., Edwards, Evans; Nor., Robinson, Colley; Brit., Daley, Robinson, Firth, Taylor. Special winners: Hadfield Daley (3), Cooper (2), Clarke, Colley (3), Dutton, Edwards, Evans, Robinson. Cup points: Cooper 25, Daley 15, A. E. Colley 14, Clarke 13, J. Robinson 12, Edwards 12, Taylor 9, Dutton 6, Firth 8, Evans 5, A. Robinson 4, A. Colley 1, Hadfield 8.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand).

N.F. show, June 26, White Swan Hotel, Market Place. Entries were equal to previous shows, and quality was excellent, many promising youngsters being shown. Specials were won by Messrs. Herbert, Pole, Brook, Deakin, Cayless and Weldon. Messrs. Heighton and Walton judged.

Nor. Cl. Yell.: 1, 3, Pole; 2, Moores. Buff: 1, Herbert; 2, Moores; 3, Pole. Mkd. Yell.: 1, Herbert; 2, Hulse. Marked Buff: 1, Herbert; 2, Moores; 3, Pole. Green: 1, 2, Herbert; 3, Pole. A.O.V. Can.: 1, Jolley; 2, Knight. Nov. Cl. Yell.: 1, Weldon; 2, Roberts; 3, Cayless. Buff: 1, 2, Pearson; 3, Bent. Mkd. Yell.: 1, 2, Cayless; 3, Whalton. Buff: 1, 2, Hulbert; 2, Weldon. Nor.: 1, Cuffin; 2, Jolley. Goldf.: 1, 3, Roberts; 2, Brooks. Bullf.: 1, Laundon and Start; 2, 3, Deakin. Greenf.: 1, 2, Brooks; 3, Deakin. Linnet: 1, 3, Deakin; 2, Brooks. Chaffinch: 1, 3, Deakin; 2, Brooks. Siskin: 1, 3, Brooks; 2, Deakin.—A. Freestone, Sec.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

N.F. show, Oldham Hall, June 19. 48 birds staged. Messrs. F. Handley and J. Abbott judged and gave every satisfaction. There was a good attendance and a pleasant afternoon was passed. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, 2, hc, Greaterex; 3, Sharples; vhc, Thomas. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Greaterex; vhc, hc, Sharples. Var. Buff: 1, Thomas; 2, Sharples; 3, vhc, Greaterex; hc, Cowan. Yorks., Green, Self. Yell.: 1, 3, Garrood; 2, vhc, Steinart. Buff: 1, Sharples; 2, vhc, Steinart; 3, hc, Garrood; c, Cowan. Green Foul Yell.: 1, Sharples; 2, 3, Garrood; vhc, Steinart. Nor. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, Dyson. Goldf.: 1, Robertshaw; 2, Cowan. Bullf.: 1, Robertshaw; 2, Lloyd; 3, Hunt. Greenf.: 1, Sharples; 2, Lloyd; 3, Hunt. Siskin, Etc.: 1, 2, Robertshaw; 3, Lloyd. Bramble or Chaffinch: 1, 3, vhc, Lloyd; 2, Robertshaw. Mule or Hyb.: 1, Lloyd; 2, Robertshaw. Points to date for season's specials:—Canaries: Garrood 37, Greaterex 35, Sharples 29, Steinart 13, Thomas 10, Maxwell 3, Dyson 3, Cowan 3; British: Robertshaw 25, Lloyd 13, Cowan 6, Sharples 3, Hunt 2.—T. R. Jones, Sec.

EAST HAM F.S.

Show, June 26, Earl of Wakefield, hardly the success hoped for, probably through the breeding season being scarcely over. Special best bird, won by Mr. Potter, with a typical yell. Yorks., in nice feather. Although few, the birds were of good class, some smart Goldies and Linnets being staged. Mr. W. A. Harwood, hon. sec., and Mrs. Harwood (who takes great interest in the welfare of the society and the Fancy generally) are deserving of thanks for their efficient arrangements; several of the committee, etc., assisted. Entries numbered 111. Mr. G. Gardner judged.

Yorks., Cl.: 1, sp., best bird, Potter, yell., neat action, nice feather, and length. Varieg.: 1, Potter, buff, very stylish, trifle flat in col. Nor. Cl.: 1, Potter, buff, nice undercolour, rare head and body. Goldf.: 1, 3, Bosher, leader not the largest, but the best and cleanest in colours, nice bars and buttons, rich col. in blaze; 2, Potter, smart, not quite enough polish, and hardly clear on blaze. A.O. Hardbill: 1, Thaler, sound nutty coloured Linnet, nicely mkd., glossy feather; 2, Wadsworth, beautifully striped, not so brown, rare shape; 3, Bosher.

HORNSEY & WOOD GREEN C.B.S.

Young bird show Masonic Hall, Wood Green, June 26. Entries were not particularly numerous, but quality was excellent, especially in Norwich, among which the best bird of the show was found, Mr. Kerr's big buff taking the coveted special. Yorks. were good in quality and type, but were somewhat deficient in size, but the majority we heard had been badly reared. Mr. P. Brooks makes an ideal sec., and we were informed that the society is going strongly, with good membership, and attendance at the monthly meetings. Mr. H. Norman judged.

Champ. Nor., Yell: 1, Pettit; 2, Griffin. Buff: 1, Pettit. Var.: 1, 2, Griffin. Amat., Yorks. Buff: 1, 2, Huggins. Var.: 1, 2, Huggins. Nov. Yell.: 1, 3, Webber; 2, Billington. Buff: 1, Billington; 2 vhc, Miss Smith; 3, Billington. Var.: 1, Webber; 2, 3, Everett; 4, vhc, Billington. Nor., Yell.: 1, Kerr. Buff: 1, 2, Kerr; 3, Baxter; vhc, Baxter. Var.: 1, 2, Kerr; 3, 4, Martin. Golf.: 1, 2, Stephens; 3, Martin. Linnet: 1, Griffin; 2, Stephens; 3, Twilley. Greenf.: 1, Miss Smith; 2, 3, Stephens; vhc, hc, Creighton. Bramble: 1, 2, 3, Stephens; vhc, hc, Creighton. Redpoll: 1, 2, Stephens. Bullf.: 1, Stephens. A.O.V.: 1, Stephens. Insect.: 1, Creighton. Foreign: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Willis; 3, Mrs. Huggins.

Country Rambles

PRESTON O.S.

First ramble of the season, June 6. We trained to Brock and walked through Brock Bottoms, one of the beauty spots of this part of Lancashire. The young trout, jumping out of the water, afforded quite a treat for some of us, who had not seen them before. We continued our walk until we arrived at Seeds Mill, where we stayed while one of our members took some photos of the surrounding scenery. Taking the main road to Inglewhite, we kept a good look-out for birds' nests, but we did not have much luck, as the country is not adapted for many kinds of birds. At the Green Man in Inglewhite we had luncheon, and after a rest of about an hour, we took the road to Chipping. Continuing our way through Thornley, we arrived at Longridge, and took train to Preston, all having enjoyed the outing. We had as our guide our chairman, Mr. T. Dent, who is also the chairman of the Norwich Plainhead Club, and we have to thank him for his kindness.—G. Buck, Hon. Sec.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.

First country ramble June 13. There was a very good muster, and grand weather prevailed. A start was made from the station at 9.30 a.m., and ten minutes' walk found us studying our feathered friends. By way of the river we made good headway, meeting with warblers of all species too numerous to mention. Several Reed Buntings were seen, and some Wagtails. Among the various Hardbills were Chaffinches, young and old, Greenfinches, Bullfinches, Yellow Buntings, and Goldfinches; all met within a hundred yards. Next we were favoured with the song of the Whitethroat, and we managed to get a good view of this proud little bird. Several nests were found containing eggs of Blackbird, Thrush, Hedgesparrow, Shrike, and Long-tailed Tits, and young of Hedgesparrow, Blackbird, Thrush, and numerous others. Mr. E. Cook made a good guide, and is always ready to lead the way whenever a ramble is arranged. Our company made a good collection of wild seeds, and altogether we spent a splendid morning, arriving back at the station at 1.30 in time for our Southampton friends to catch their train, filled with a considerable knowledge of bird life, and a good appetite. Next ramble July 4. Friends are invited to join.—J. Alderslade.

GLASGOW AND WESTERN COUNTIES NOR., ETC., CLUB.

The weather clerk was on his very worst behaviour but no less than sixteen took part in the club's first ramble of the season to Bridge of Weir. The party wended their way through the village, one of the most beautiful in the West of Scotland, and reached the glen through which the Gryffe flows slowly to the Cart, which in course reaches Glasgow's great river, the Clyde. In this beautiful glen the afternoon's treat began. Willie Jack was the first to spot a nest, a Greenfinch's with three eggs. Pursuing the narrow pathway Bill Jamieson managed to get his eye on a Whitethroat's with eggs, and in the next 100 yards we were in the thick of it—a Mavis with four young, another with four eggs, and a Blackbird with five eggs came under the keen and critical eye of Jamie Findlay. "Peeping Peter" had been very quiet up to this point, and we knew there was something on. A professional photographer was one of the party, and 'P.P." had been on the lookout for a suitable spot in which to "take" the company. A halt was made in close proximity to the wood, and here the company posed to the "knight of the camera." At the entrance of the wood the company split up into small sections, some making for the interior, some taking the high road, and others the banks of the Gryffe, which are thickly planted, and afford excellent covert for the bird life that abounds in the district. The Blackbird's golden bill is ever busy pouring forth his love song to his sombre coloured mate; the voice of the Throstle is heard; while the Lark is singing lustily in the blue vault of heaven, showering his merry music drops o'er meadow and moor. When the parties had reunited, particulars of the afternoon's "kill" were reported. Mr. Jamieson reported a Waterhen's nest in a bush on the banks of the river Gryffe with seven eggs almost due; Mavis, four young; Greenfinch, five eggs; and a Chaffie's under construction. Mr. Findlay saw a Blackbird's with five eggs and a ripe nest of Song Thrushes. "Peeping Peter" had quite an interesting story to tell; he saw Blackbirds and Mavis ready for the wing and with nests of eggs, and was also fortunate enough to come across a Wheatear's with five eggs of a pale blue colour, not so dark as those of the Hedge Sparrow; he also saw nests of the Linnet and Grey Wagtail, the former with four eggs and the latter with two. After strolling along the banks of the river the company came upon all sorts of nests, which proved both interesting and instructive. Later in the week Messrs. Jack and Dinwoodie furnished the writer with particulars of their afternoon's sport; nests in the wood were very plentiful and varied, and amongst the many seen were: Mavis with young about three days old; another with five youngsters ready to start life's handicap, and one with four eggs; Yellowhammer's, six eggs; Chaffinch's, five eggs; Greenfinchs', with five, three, and two eggs respectively; Blackbird's, four eggs; and many nests in the making. By way of a change, sports were held, the racing being keen and the finishes close:—100 yards handicap: 1, Fitzpatrick, scratch; 2, Findlay, 5yds.; 3, Jamieson, 12yds. Three-legged race: 1, Hagan and Hewitt, 5yds.; 2, Findlay and Jamieson, 8yds.; 3, Fitzpatrick and Adam, scratch. (After a dead heat for second place, which was rerun, the latter coming to Mother Earth.) Walking Race: 1, Fitzpatrick; 2, Jamieson; 3, Findlay. 150yds.: 1, Findlay; 2, Adam; 3, Fitzpatrick; 4, Jamieson. After resting our wearied limbs for a brief space in a tidy country ale-house, which for cleanliness and comfort would have pleased the most fastidious, we took rail for Glasgow, and wended our way to our respective domiciles.—J. H. Adam, Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES.

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

QUESTIONS OF DIET (New Reader).—(1) If you keep together two species that require different diet, you can only give a combination of the two diets and trust to luck that one will not consume more than is good for it of the other's food. If you keep the Roller with the Siskin Mule, the best combination of your present diet would be one part each of canary and summer rape, and half a part of teazle. In addition, you would give separately a pinch of the usual tit-bits, and green foods, and wild seeds occasionally. (2) For the hens in the flights a staple of plain canary seed only is best. In addition, give a small allowance—say, a teaspoonful to each three birds—of egg food, or its equivalent in bread and milk once a week, and on one other day each week a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet and broken groats. Give a fair supply of green food or wild seeds, as they come in season, three or four times a week.

TROUBLE WITH YOUNG (Blaina).—(1) I am rather inclined to think that the trouble with your young birds is that you are apt to dose them too readily. See that the cages are kept scrupulously clean, and strewn with gritty sand, and that they are not too much exposed to direct draughts, and then try what the following treatment will do for them in the course of two or three weeks, and if they are not all right in that time, please write again, repeat particulars, and I will advise you further. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed, and place on top of it each morning a teaspoonful (heaped) of summer rape for each group of birds. Each morning give a teaspoonful of egg or biscuit food sprinkled with maw for each four birds. This may be varied with an equivalent amount of bread and milk now and again. In the afternoon throw out any soft food that may be left, wash out vessel, and give a similar allowance of a mixture of equal parts, hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Give a few plantain stalks, or seed heads of shepherd's purse, or a few sprays of seedy chickweed four times a week. Add 20 drops of fluid magnesia to each ounce of drinking water every second day for a week, and after this give instead six drops each of tincture of gentian and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a week. Be careful to see that your hemp is quite good and sound in the kernel. (2) I consider castor oil too drastic for young birds. You also need to be sure what you are treating them for. (3) You only mention the length of the cages, so I cannot say definitely how many they will accommodate. But with close attention to cleanliness you might safely keep eight in each. (4) Here again you give only the length—50 ins.—so I can only say that, roughly, you might keep nine or ten birds in it.

A DUET (W. J. B.).—It depends upon the temperament of the hen whether the cock may safely be removed at any time during the period of incubation. Some hens, if allowed to sit a few days before the cock is removed, will, if he is then taken away, leave the nest and absolutely refuse to return to it, until the cock is returned. It is therefore, best to avoid the possibility of this trouble arising by removing him when she is being put to sit in every case where his removal is desirable. (2) In all cases where one succeeds well with a certain method of management it is the wisest policy to adhere to that method and avoid all innovations. Hemp is unquestionably a very valuable food for rearing young birds, but one can have too much of a good thing. The chief objection to its too free use is that it is apt to force the parents to start nesting again too early and neglecting the young; and one needs to be very watchful of the condition of this seed when it is being used at all liberally, as when the kernel is unsound the results are disastrous. Many succeed excellently by using it quite freely, and I have done so myself, but there are also many who make a stumbling-block of it; therefore, the average novice is best advised to exercise moderation in its use.

W. S. and A.H.—Replied to by post.

CAUSE OF EGG-BINDING (T. Moon).—This distressing trouble may arise from a variety of causes, such as over-feeding, or too fat condition of body, general weakness, or an abnormal condition of the oviduct. You might try the following treatment in any future case of necessity. In addition to your general treatment, give a little green food daily, any kind except dandelion, and when the hens are coming forward for nesting give every second day a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, and millet. Keep a piece of cuttlefish hung in the cage, and get a little old mortar and smash it up to a coarse powder and strew this freely on the sand on the floor of the cage. In severe cases you may try the effect of ten drops of lemon juice and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea in the drinking water daily for three days, and follow this up with ten drops of syrup of lacto-phosphate of lime and iron in the water every second day for a week or two before a hen is expected to commence laying. Allow as much space as is convenient for the hens to get vigorous exercise, and offer the bath daily.

SPECIMEN OF PLANT, ETC. (D. J. W.).—(1) You might try what the following treatment will do for the Roller cock in the course of a month or so, and if it is not well in that time, please write again, and repeat particulars and say what progress has been made, and I will advise you further if necessary. Better remove it from the greenhouse, and keep it in some place where the temperature is less subject to violent fluctuations. Let it have plenty of fresh pure air, but avoid direct draughts, a dusty atmosphere, or the proximity of burning lights, and do not hang it high up near the ceiling. Give a staple diet of a simple mixture of three parts canary, by measure, to one part summer rape. In addition, give a small teaspoonful of mixed seed twice a week, and a little green food in variety daily. Every third day for a month give also a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and well sprinkled with maw seed. In the drinking water add every second day for a week six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and every second day after this give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre. (2) I do not consider the fluid you name of any practical use for ridding cages or appliances of red mites. Essence of quassia, carbolic fluid, fir tree oil, and a variety of other things prepared for this purpose are far more efficacious and practicable. You might have seen the details for dealing with the pest in this column very frequently. (3) The specimen of weed you send is not shepherd's purse, but the narrow-leaved plantain, called also lamb's tongue, and ribwort in some places. Still, it is an excellent wild seed for Canaries, and they are particularly fond of it. By comparison, shepherd's purse has a much finer and thread-like seed stalk, the seed vessels are flattened capsules, and practically triangular in shape, and are carried on fine thready footstalks a little distance from the main stem, and the seed pods are set a little distance apart on the main stem, and not crowded all together, as is the case with the plaintains.

CEASED FEEDING (Owen Hughes).—You make no mention of green food at all, and if you did not give any this may very probably be the cause of the hen ceasing to feed the young. A little crisp young lettuce, chickweed, or the tender tips of young groundsel given on the morning of the fourth day might easily have saved the situation, and may have kept the hen at her duties. If she goes to nest again, leave the cock with her, and adhere strictly to the advice given in the handbook, "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which has been sent you. Also read up the many replies which have appeared dealing with this subject in this column in the last month or so, and then, if anything goes wrong, you should be able to do what is best under the circumstances.

COLOUR FEEDING CRESTS (J.W.).—(1) It will be no detriment whatever to your Crests and Crestbreds for showing if you colour-feed them. The only effect, if any, is likely to be a little advantage to them rather than otherwise. The extra amount of exercise they will get from running with the Norwich during the moult will be wholly beneficial, and as the colour feeding can do no harm, there can be no objection at all to your doing as you suggest. (2) It is only necessary to cut off the ends of the crest at the sides, just in front of the eyes, while breeding. This does not affect the future growth or development of the crest after the moult. (3) Taken on the whole, I should say that the Crested was not quite so prolific as the Norwich, but this is very much a question of strain; there may be many highly bred strains of Norwich that are decidedly less prolific than some strains of Crested. What the latter lack in numbers would probably be much more than compensated by the increased value, if the birds were of good average quality. Sorry your letter arrived too late for reply to appear in last issue.

ROLLER HENS (H. A.).—(1) It is most probable that the green hen has developed some ovarian trouble, for which you can do nothing but let nature take its own course. I should not be surprised if you had found the hen defunct before this reply appears. If not, your best course is to separate her from the cock, turn her into a large cage or flight where she can get a fair amount of exercise, feed plainly for a week or two, giving a little bread and milk sprinkled with maw three times a week, and every second day for a week add to the water ten drops of lemon juice and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea. Do not give any dandelion at all to this hen, but give a little of some other green food daily. (2) You did wrong to attempt to introduce the two fresh hens to the same cage as the other pair; you should have caged the hens separately and introduced the cock to them in rotation as the hens went to nest. (3) If I understand you rightly that you finally introduced the yellow hen to the cock on Wednesday, and she laid her first egg the following Saturday, there was ample time for all the eggs to be fully fertilised, and this is what I should expect from birds in good breeding condition. One word: don't dose your birds continually with drugs in the water.

DISPARITY IN AGE (C. G. Q.).—(1) The little difference in the ages of the youngsters owing to them hatching out on different days will make no difference at all to the treatment they require. Leave them with the parents until the youngest is capable of looking after itself a little. (2) For

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); Hause's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); Hause's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

feeding the youngsters when removed from the parents, the food you name will do very well as sold, without the addition of any extra biscuit. Give it in the same manner as before removal for a few days afterwards, then gradually reduce the frequency, and next the quantity, as you notice them eating more freely the seed provided. Three weeks after removal a teaspoonful each morning for the three birds should be sufficient for their needs.

AN OCTAVE (New Beginner).—(1) The Roller-Yorks cross is a very good one for producing songsters, especially if you use a Yorkshire that comes from a good singing strain. If you train the young crossbred cocks under the Roller cock, they should make very decent performers. There is no reason why the eggs in the clutch should not be all fertile. (2) Diet is all right, but you might with advantage vary the green food supplied a little more. (3) July 4, if you removed the eggs and set them all at once on June 21. If you did not remove them, hatching will probably take place on successive days from July 1 to 4. (4) Yes, hard-boiled egg and crushed biscuit—plain, and not highly flavoured ones for preference—or even plain bread crumbs in the proportion of two parts biscuit or bread to one part egg, either with or without a sprinkling of maw, is sufficient to rear young from the egg. Green food should be added after the first two or three days. The little book advised below will give you all further details. (5) It is quite possible to colour feed young in the nest, but as it is not at all essential I do not advise you to attempt it at present. Begin to give a little weak colour food when the young are from five to six weeks old, as a preparation for the proper colour feeding during the first moult. (6) It is too late to begin feeding the cock which has already commenced casting feathers. You could, of course, feed him, but the feathers now being produced would show no material effect of the colour food. If many feathers have been cast, the effect would be a "patchy" bird; if only a few, the effect would not be so noticeable. Colour feeding proper must begin a week or two before any feathers are cast. (7) The room you describe should answer admirably for breeding, but when moulting and colour feeding you should keep the blind down before the window to tone down the light a little. (8) "Canary Breeding for Beginners" is just the book you need, 7d., post free, or for information on separate breeds House's "Canary Manual," 1s. 2d., post free, both from our manager. For information on colour feeding, you should get the brochure on Colour Feeding, 3½d., post free, also from this office.

WEANING YOUNG (Crest).—After removing the young from the parents, keep them in a moderate-sized cage by themselves for a week or two in order that they may gain a little strength and skill in getting about and taking care of themselves before you place them in a large cage with old birds. It will be best not to give a lot of succulent greenstuff for a week or two after they are removed, but this does not necessarily mean that it should be totally avoided. A small spray of seedy chickweed, or the usual wild seed heads, or plantain stalks in moderation, can do no harm. The point is, not to give coarse over-succulent greenery, nor sufficient quantity for it to get stale in the cages, or be left lying about the cage floor. Just now the seed heads of the narrow-leaved plantain are in fine condition for use, and form a most excellent green food for young birds. When the young are first removed from the parents you may give as a substitute for green food a little scalded summer rape each day, or a little less often if you wish. Continue giving a little egg food daily until they are eating the dry canary seed quite freely.

IRREGULAR LAYING (D.W.).—Without details of your feeding and management generally, I cannot arrive at a conclusion as to the cause of the irregular laying. As it is, I cannot even tell whether you have the birds mated or not. If they are not yet mated that would be quite sufficient to account for the casual laying. On the other hand, if they are mated it is probably due to some error of management on your part. Also if not mated now it is getting too late for any chance of doing any good with them this season. In mating up birds it is best to select, as far as possible, birds over a year old as mates for those bred in the last season, though this is not essential, and the principle can be varied to suit the needs of the stock at command. But it is always best to avoid mating together two very young, or immature, birds whenever possible. If you have not yet mated them, and they are keen on nesting, you may, if you choose, give them a chance by mating them at once on the above lines. It is just possible they may get to work quickly and succeed in bringing off one brood before the moult commences. For the details of management you cannot do better than get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager would send you for 7d., post free.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS

Answered by H. NORMAN.

TRYING FOR BRAMBLEFINCH - CANARY HYBRIDS.—Up to the present this cross has not been produced, though I have heard of fertile eggs both from the Bramble and the Chaffinch with the Canary hen. I am unable to say with certainty about the fertility of the single egg laid by your hen. As a rule, these isolated specimens do not prove fertile. The reason is that a hen which lays only one egg is not in proper breeding condition; full clutches when obtainable are much more satisfactory. I would advise you to persevere; the cross will no doubt come some day, and your chance of success is quite as good as another's. (2) The egg was marked like the generality of Canary eggs. (3) The hen being young, and not in high condition, would account for her not laying regularly. She may do better another season.

TO REAR YOUNG GREENFINCHES (C. G. Quinton). If the young ones hatch, you must supply the old birds with egg-food to rear the little ones with. Boil a fresh egg for ten minutes, cool it under the water tap, and after removing the shell beat up with a fork, and add to it four Osborne biscuits. Thoroughly mix them, and if too dry a few drops of water or sweet milk will improve it. If you prefer it you can use half a slice of stale bread in place of a couple of biscuits. Soak the bread for half an hour in cold water, squeeze as dry as possible, and then use. This food should be freshly made twice a day. Give in addition plenty of wild food such as seeding chickweed, shepherd's purse, and grass, also the other food you are now using. As most of the birds in the aviary will help themselves to the egg food, you must see that the supply is kept up.

REARING LARK (Mermaid).—I fear you were doomed to failure from the first, by using a hen that you knew was a bad feeder. For the purpose, an exceptionally good feeder would be required, then I think you might succeed. I have known young Canaries hand-reared from the shell, but I must confess I should not be tempted to try to do it, although I have reared both large and small British birds, some of them from quite wee babies. (2) The food you speak of I have not tried, and I would advise you to use the best insectile mixture you can obtain, one specially made for Nightingales and small Warblers. You would be much more likely to be successful with it.

JAY, JACKDAW, OR MAGPIE (Allies).—Of the three birds the Magpie is my favourite, but I know good fanciers who prefer the Jay. They are scarcely indoor birds, and do better in a small aviary, near the kitchen door, where they see plenty of life. A large box cage would suit if you have no aviary, one about 3ft. long, with one good strong perch, and food and water vessels placed outside.

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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SEX OF LINNET MULES (Puzzled).—In breeding mules the general rule is that more cock birds than hens are produced, but as there is no rule without exceptions, your birds may be what you state. From your letter, I should say that the three small yellow birds that do not sing are certainly hens. Cock birds would be now in stout song, in fact, singing like your buff bird. To make certain, I would advise you to cage them off separately and put them each in a separate room, and see if they open out. It sometimes happens that a very stout singer will silence the whole of the other birds, and they refuse to sing until he has gone off somewhat. If after this trial, you are still in doubt, keep the largest of the three and moult him out. In any case, yellow birds, cocks or hens, would naturally be smaller than buffs. I would advise you to have another try; you may have better luck next time, and turn out more cocks than hens.

BULLFINCHES DOING BADLY (H. M. Pratt).—I do not expect that your Bullfinches will regain their plumage until the moult, which should commence shortly. I would advise you to catch up one or both of your birds and examine them for insects. If they have any, hand wash them and place in a clean cage; keep them there for a few days, while the aviary is being cleaned and disinfected. If no insects, give the birds a little cooling medicine, such as Glauber Salts, as much as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in the drinking water; repeat in a couple of days. Add summer rape and teazle to the seed bill, and discontinue the linseed. Give half-a-dozen sunflower seeds daily, and reduce the hemp to half the quantity. Supply green food seeding grass, etc., abundantly. Let the birds bathe daily when the weather is suitable. I would advise you to procure our Nutshell Booklet on the Bullfinch, 2½d., post free, from our office, or twopence from your local newsagent; it would assist you in your management.

VARIOUS QUESTIONS (I. W.).—Elderberries are capital food for many birds, and should be used freely, while obtainable in a ripe condition. They can also be dried, by hanging the bunches on a line and suspending in the open air; if the weather is favourable, they will dry up, and can be used in this condition later, but you will find ordinary grocer's currants washed and dried answer the same purpose. (2) I do not think there is any "most suitable meal to feed mealworms with." I have seen them breed freely in middlings, barley meal, and flour but I am inclined to think there would be more feeding properties in the barley meal, or bran and barley meal mixed would do nicely; the bran would keep the meal open and prevent it clogging. (3) Although the Blackcap is not a particularly difficult bird to keep in confinement, I do not think you would be wise to attempt to breed with them. The difficulty with all Softbills is supplying them with suitable food to feed the young ones. In the early stages live food is an absolute necessity; the old ones will not touch anything else to feed the babies with. If you have a liberal supply of live ants' eggs, you might succeed, also give small caterpillars, flies, and any creeping things you could lay your hands on; at the same time supplying them with the best quality insectile food, with a liberal allowance of hard-boiled egg mixed in it.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

WAXBILL HYBRIDS (R. McK.).—You do not say what species of Waxbill your hen bird is. The only cross I know of having been reared in captivity in the British Isles is between the Gold-breasted Waxbill and Avadavat, of which several were reared. Supply your birds with a mixture of two parts white millet and one of canary seed. Keep a millet spray in the cage, and supply green food liberally, such as flowering and seeding grass, and any non-poisonous garden weeds. Grit and cuttlebone should also be continuously in the cage. Nutshells Nos. 16 and 20 would tell you all about the above, 2½d each post free from our manager.

MILLET SEED, &c. (K.F.).—(1) I think you have transposed the price you give, as red millet is the cheapest of all millets, and really is not worth buying, as many species refuse it. By "millet seed," white millet is understood, but both this and the Indian millet are good food values. New arrivals and young birds should always have a good supply of Indian millet. (2) Yes, the maggots you name can be used. Put them in fine sand in a very cool place to check pupation, and in three days sift all the sand away (with a wire or gauze sieve) and put the maggots in a fresh lot of sand, then in about another four days they will be ready for use. (3) Yes, whole oats are implied, but the coarse oatmeal will meet the case. (4) The Grey Java Sparrow is the wild species. The White variety has been produced very many years ago by careful selection, etc. (5) The seeds will keep if stored in a dry place and kept in dust and mouse-proof receptacles.

DOUBLE-FRONTED AMAZON (T.W.).—Many Parrots and Parrakeets show pen feathers on head, etc., when staged during the show season, but of course it would be no use staging a bird that was in ragged plumage from the moult. The variable temperature of a kitchen is not suitable to moult any kinds of birds well. A cooler room, even a room in which a fire never burned, would be better, so long as the temperature was not a fluctuating one. Try putting a few shreds of saffron in the water about mid-August. In the interim, put it out-of-doors for a few hours daily whenever the weather is warm enough, but do not subject it to cool winds nor place it in the way of a direct current of air.

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GREY SINGING FINCH HYBRID (H. Kay).—A hybrid of which one parent is a foreign finch can neither compete in British Hybrids nor Canary-cross classes. You could only exhibit it in the Foreign Section at such shows which give a Hybrid or Rare-feathered class in this section. The London C.B.A. has given such a class for the last two or three seasons, and will probably do so again. In my opinion colour feeding would spoil it. The smartest bird of this cross I ever saw was white, heavily variegated with dark patches similar in colour to the plumage of the Grey Singing Finch.

PICKING ITSELF (T.B.D., Liverpool).—Do not give tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. Spray it with a tepid quassia solution two or three times a week. Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water. Of course, if the voidings become watery-loose you must then give the magnesia less frequently. As it is accustomed to a little moistened food, you can lightly moisten a piece of bread or biscuit with chemical food and water. Confine its diet to seed mixture, nuts, ripe fruit (any kind it will take), green food, grit and cuttlebone. Keep a thickish piece of a branch of a tree in the cage for it to exercise its mandibles upon. I expect either parasites, or skin irritation, or both, is the cause. Persevere with the above treatment; improvement will not be rapid, and there may be relapses, but "keep at it." Report progress five or six weeks hence.

A FEATHER PULLER (Wheeler).—If you have not already got it, you should get our Nutshell, The Grey Parrot, 2½d., post free from our manager; it will give you full details of feeding and general treatment. Roughly, the dietary should be confined to seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, crusts of stale bread, pieces of biscuit, plain cake, etc., but do not give any tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food. Cuttlebone, grit (not sand), and a thick piece of a branch (for the bird to exercise its mandibles upon) should be continually in the cage. Continue to spray with the quassia solution, and give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day. If the voidings should become watery loose, then you must give it less frequently, say once a week. On the intervening days lightly colour the drinking water with Chemical Food. You will have to persevere, as recovery will not be rapid. A few hours in the open on warm days will do it good, but do not place it in a current of wind, the full glare of the sun, or expose it to N. or N.E. winds. Report progress five or six weeks hence.

WHAT PARRAKEET? (J. P. L.).—I regret I cannot give you the information you require, as your description is hopelessly incomplete, though your birds may be Orange-flanked Parrakeets. You must tell me approximate length of tail, colour of beak, flights, bare skin round eyes, and also describe any variation of the hue of green on head

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Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—July 6, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel Street), 8. Entries for F.F. show. Mr. Boothman's lecture on Norwich.—J. Spencer.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—July 8, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.30. Table show all sections, young birds and British. Also appointing stewards for N.F. show.—E. Johnson.

Ashton-u-Lyne and O.S.—July 6, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Lecture on Colour Feeding, by Mr. H. T. Keisall.—J. Whitehead.

Blaenavon C.B.S.—July 8, Crown Hotel, 6.30. Young bird show, and other business.—G. T. Jones.

Bootle C.B.S.—July 6, St. Andrews Parochial Hall, 8. Elect judge for annual show. Lecture on Moulting and Colour Feeding by Mr. J. W. Metcalfe. Fanciers invited.—A. E. Huyton.

Bowling B.F.A.—July 3, Napoleon Hotel. Members' show. Judge, T. Bennett, Lidget Green. Staged at 3.—J. Nicholl.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—July 3, Victoria Hotel. Members' show; birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. J. Taylor. Entries, Friday night, 7.30 to 9.—H. Bryant.

Bromley (Kent) F.S.—July 6, Co-operative Hall, East St., 7.30. F.F. show.—T. A. Bellinger.

Bradford East O.S.—July 6, Park Chapel Schoolrooms, 8. General bus.—J. Spencer.

Burton-on-Trent.—July 6, New Inn, 8. Summer show business.—A. Wood.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—July 7, Crown Hotel, 8. General bus.—J. H. Jones.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—July 5, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Schedule for young stock show.—F. A. Green, 54, Caludon Rd., Coventry.

Chorley C.B.S.—July 7, Shepherd's Hall, 7.30. Very special business.—J. H. Welch.

Clapham C.B.A.—July 6, 8. Monthly meeting.—T. J. Hose.

Darlington C.B.S.—George Hotel, N.F. show; birds staged at 2. Classes: Yorks., Nor., A.O.V. Can., Goldf. or Bullf., Greenf., Chaffie, and Bramble, Linnet, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, A.O. Brit.—F. Stothard.—(Date not stated.—Ed.).

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—July 6, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, S.E., 7.30. Young bird show; judge, Mr. J. Hodder.—D. Reeks.

East Ham C.B.S.—July 8, Town Hall, 8.30. Prize distribution, young stock show business, etc.—F. Onslow.

Falkirk C.B.S.—July 3, 80, Graham Road, 8. Postponed meeting; F.F. show business, appointing office-bearers, etc.—R. Rennie.

Gt. Horton O.S.—July 3, Station Hotel, 3. F.F. show. Judge, Mr. H. H. Towers.—A. W. Hartley.

Glasgow W. Counties.—July 3, Good Templars' Hall, Ingram St., 7. Important.—J. H. Adam.

Huddersfield O.S.—July 10, White Hart Hotel, 7. Very important business. Table show for N.F. birds same date; judge, Mr. A. Radley. Birds staged by 2.—A. Lawford.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—July 3, Queen's Head Inn, 7.. Entries taken for young bird show.—R. H. Dixon.

Halifax O.S.—July 3, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. F. Greenwood on "Scientific Breeding Up-to-date." Friends cordially invited.—H. Clegg.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—July 2, The Neptune Hotel, 8. Entering up for F.F. show.—A. Roberts.

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Hull C.B.S.—July 3, Oddfellow's Hall, 2.30. N.F. show, July 5; meeting, classification for Nov. show.—W. Furnandiz.

Hyson Green C.B.S.—July 6, Headquarters, 8. July F.F. show.—A. E. Moult.

Hanley C.B.S.—July 7, 28, Mayer St., 8. Second N.F. show; prize-money to be paid for first nest show.—C. Beckett.

Idle C.B.A.—July 7, Springfield Hotel, 8. Judges and classification for old show. Mr. J. Chippindale will read a paper on Colour Feeding.—T. Elsegood.

Leyton C.B.A.—July 5, The Parish Hall, Church Rd., 8. Lecture by Mr. J. S. Clarke, on the Wild Bird Life of North Hants.—A. W. Farmer.

Leeds Roller C.C.—July 3, Lockhart's, 7.30.—Show business.—H. Best.

Leeds C.B.S.—July 3, St. George's School Rooms (near Infirmary), St. George's St. Young bird show, staged 2.30; show open 4.30; judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden.—E. Norton.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—July 7, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Patronages and classification for open show; steward for July members' show, and other important business.—W. H. Symes.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—July 6, White Swan, 8. "Colour Feeding," by Mr. W. A. Gibbins.—A. Freestone.

Liverpool B.B.A.—July 8, Oldham Hall, 8. N.F. night show; judges, Messrs. T. Rowlands and W. Jones. Local fanciers and friends cordially invited.—T. R. Jones.

Llanelly C.B.S.—July 3, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Important.—D. John.

Manningham C.B.A.—July 3, Mowbray Arms, 8. Special meeting.—F. Darwent.

Northern Border Fancy C.C.—July 7, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, 7.45. N.F. show. Champ. Cl. or Mkd. Yell., do. Buff, Green, Cinn.; Novices, same classification. Judges, A. Montgomery, W. Coulthard.—C. Farrer.

N.W. London F.A.—Stag's Head Hotel, Hawley St., Chalk Farm Rd., N.W. 4th Annual Summer Show; Mr. W. Bigg, judge.—J. R. Young.—(Date not stated; kindly forward your address.—Editor).

North Manchester C.B.S.—July 6, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Rd., 8. Nov. show business.—A. Colley.

Pudsey and Stanningley C.B.S.—July 5, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley, 7.30. Arrangements for F.F. show, July 10.—R. Kell.

Queen's Park (Glasgow) C.B.S.—July 3, Marie Stuart Halls, 3. Classification for annual show. F.F. Show; classes: 4 Nor., 3 Bord., 2 Yorks., C. and C.B., A.O.V., Mule or Hyb. Entry, 3d. per bird.—E. Holliday.

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Queen's Park C.B.S.—July 8, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Rd., 8. Young bird table show. Kindly bring some birds along.—W. J. Ratcliffe.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—July 7, Temperance Club, Toad Lane, 8. Important.—J. Coupe.

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Rossendale Roller C.S.—July 6, Swan Hotel, Baeup, 7.30. Very important business.—H. Wantling.

Richmond (Surrey) C.B.S.—July 7, St. John's Hall, 7. F.F. show; judge, Mr. J. Robson.—G. Birch.

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W. H. Neath.—Inflammation of the bowels, probably due to change and increase of food.

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Answered by THE EDITOR.

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F. E. Mather. You will probably have noticed that the matter to which you refer was fully dealt with in one of the answers to queries last week. We take it that this reply covers the points raised in your letter

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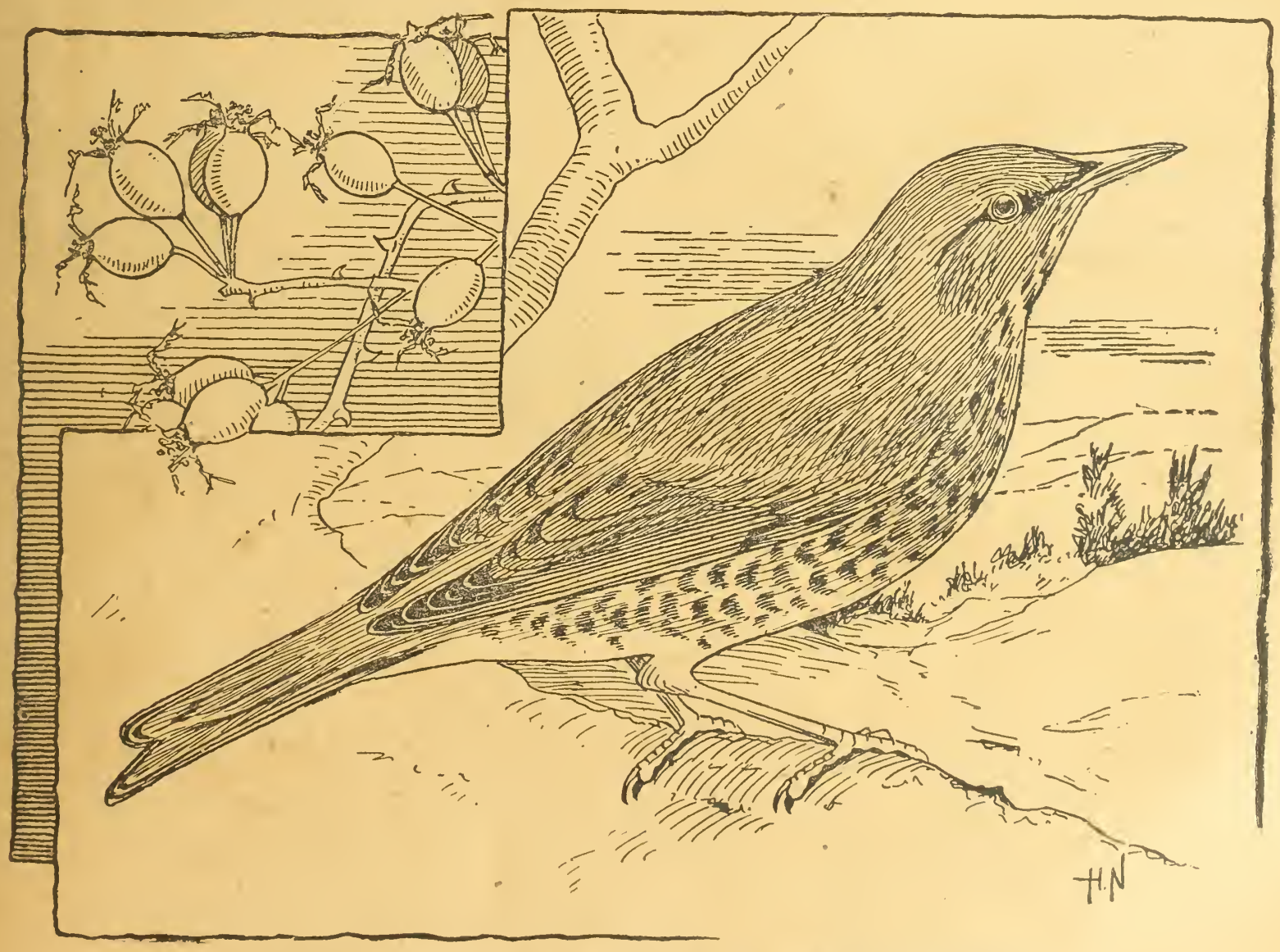

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KIPPAX.

Open sing, July 3, Commercial Hotel. 29 birds entered: 1, Scotson; 2, Potter; 3, Lightfoot. Largest break, Plows. Timekeepers, J. Cooper, O. Potter. Tappers, A. Cooper, J. Williams.—R. Plows, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, club house, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, July 3, for three prizes: 1, Watkiss 2, W. Nelson; 3, B. Nelson. Open sing, July 4, for three prizes: 1, Watkiss; 2, Morley; 3, Nelson.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEIGH.

Globe Inn Linnet Club. Open contest, July 3, for time and quality: 1, Pte. Collins; 2, J. Page. Time: 1, Pte. Wood, 120; 2, Cone, 85. Timers, S. Rigby, R. Statham. Judges, T. Statham, J. W. Jones. Open contest for time and quality, July 10; hoping to see all old friends.—R. Disby, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Open Linnet contest, Cross Keys Hotel, Halfpenny Lane, July 10. Fee 6d. per bird. First pair hung at 3.30. E. Hudson will add £1.—T. Bull.—Advt.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn. Club sing, July 3. 21 entered for three prizes; 4min. time singing. 1, 2, Beard, 90, 88; 3, Bull, 81. Open sing, July 4, 31 entered for three prizes; 3min. time singing. 1, 2, 3, shared, Blackshear and Nelson. S. Pugh, Sec.

BARNSLEY.

Lark contest, Commercial Inn, New Street, June 19, 7min. in window. Brushy, 5min. 41sec.; Frost, 3.51; Jones, 3.7. June 21, match for special, 10min hanging. Brushy, 9min. 21sec.; Fysh, 6.2. June 24, Linnet contest, 5 minutes' time sing. Brushy, 3min. 24sec.; Guy, 1.37; 3, no claim. Larks, June 26, 7min. time singing. Frost, 5min. 47sec.; Fysh, 2.50; Jones, 2.41. Linnets, June 27, 5min. time sing. Brushy, 3min. 12sec.; Jones, 2.36; Coe, 2.24. Larks, 7min. time sing, July 3. Jones, 4.37; Brushy, 3.21; Frost, 3. Linnets, 5min. time sing. Jones, 3.57, Brushy, 3.39; Coe, 2.29.—Hardman, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and Canary F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road. Open contest for quality Linnet singing, July 3. 16 birds sang for three prizes. 1, 3, W. Sissons; 2, Coudhille. Judges, Jennings and Naylor. July 4, 19 sang for three prizes. 1, T. Howarth; 2, Stanney; 3, shared by Coudhille and Chippindale. Judges, Hardcastle and Naylor.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Quality Singing Linnet Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane. Contest, July 3. 20 birds contested. Judges, P. Madden and H. Playford. 1, Chipendale; 2, C. Lorrieman; 3, Turner; 4, A. Lorrieman. July 4, 25 birds. Judges, A. Lorrieman and P. Madden. 1, 2, Chipendale and Dearlove shared; 3, Turner; 4, Boyd. Members kindly note we are giving marks for two gold medals. Mr. A. Lawerence was made president.—F. Turner (Sec.).

Kindly write on one side only of each sheet of paper.—Editor.

Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Clarence Hotel, Skinner Lane, July 3. 25 birds faced the judges for four prizes, and some very good singing was heard before a crowded house. 1, 2, C. Ward; 3, Cooper; 4, Towers. Judges, Messrs. Brian, Butterfield, and Marchel. July 4, 16 sang for three prizes. Friends from other clubs came to hear the two champions, which sang well. Mr. Crowther added a prize for the winners, and the judges' decision gave satisfaction. 1, 2, shared by F. Appleyard and C. Ward; 3, A. Binner. Judges, Messrs. C. Bass, T. Summers, and Butterfield.—W. Lipman, Hon. Sec.

(Please write on only one side of the paper.—Ed.)

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Twitterings.

Would Mr. Jas. Johnstone, Kilmarnock, kindly send his address to J. H. Adam, Sec., Glasgow and Western Counties Club, 15, Alexander Street, Sandyford, Glasgow?

Mr. G. T. Jones, Blaenavon, writes that he has resigned the secretaryship of Blaenavon C.B.S., and asks the members not to forget the young bird show fixed for to-day, July 10.

Who was the Glasgow fancier that stood reading the Wild Birds Protection Act in front of a provincial police station, when a young Song Thrush emerged from his pocket? Be more careful in future, William.

The London and Counties A.C.B. is holding a young bird show on July 17 at Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., corner of Farringdon Road. The show opens at 6. Mr. G. Gardner will judge.

The partnership that has existed between Seely Bros. is now dissolved, and I shall exhibit in future as H. Seely and Sons. All letters re judging, schedules, etc., must be sent to the old address.—H. Seely, 22, Third Row, Choppington Colliery.

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Who Owns These?

Mr. E. Norton, hon sec. Leeds C.B.S., 11, Edgware road, Bayswater-road, Roundhay-road, Leeds, writes that a raincoat and an umbrella were left in the show room at the young bird show, July 3. They will be restored to the owner or owners on application.

Owing to the flood of orders which I have been receiving, writes Mr. E. M. Stanton, Patricroft, I am compelled to notify intending customers that I cannot accept any orders for a week. We are working day and night to execute orders already on hand, and customers who are waiting can expect same being dispatched on or before July 12. My success is undoubtedly due to the great paper, Cage Birds, and I wish you every success.

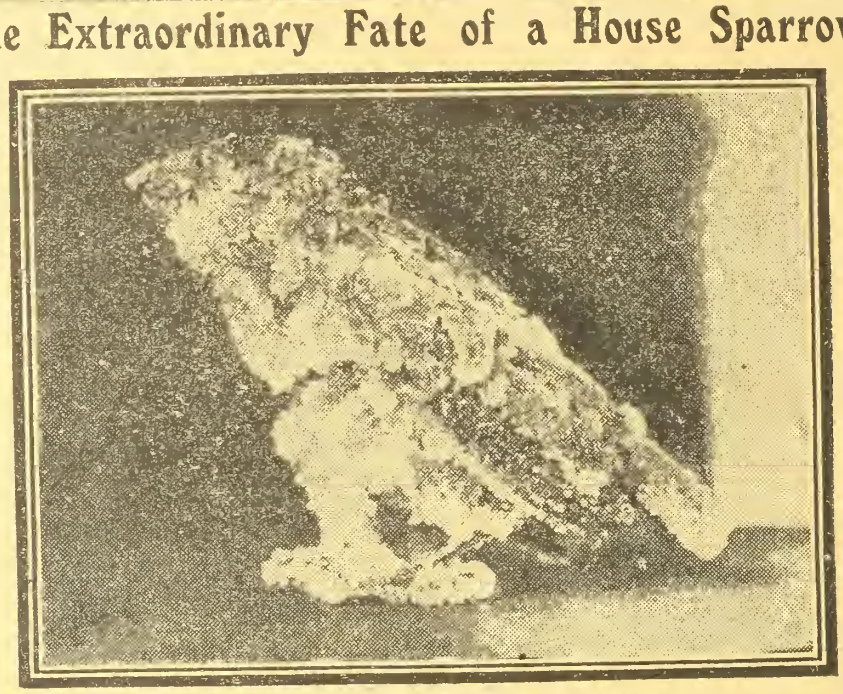
The Law's Loss—the Army's Gain.

Last week news came from Jubbulpore that the Government had offered five commissions in the Indian Army to the 4th West Kent Regt., and that Mr. C. A. House's son, Fred, was one of thirty-four recommended. This week we hear that he has been fortunate enough to be one of the selected five. Young House joined the Queen's Own immediately after the outbreak of war, and left England with his regiment in October, having then the idea of returning to the law at the close of the war. Now, we suppose, he will make the army his profession, because the commission offered him is not a temporary one, as are many just now.

The frontispiece to the Avicultural Magazine, the Journal of the Avicultural Society, for July is a beautiful coloured drawing by Mr. Goodchild of the rare Mikado Pheasant, to illustrate an article by Mrs. Johnstone. A very interesting account is given by Dr. Lovell-Keays on the breeding of the African Zosterops, and the hon. editor, Mr. H. D. Astley, writes on "Cuckoos' Habits in the Breeding Season." Among the other articles are "My Humming Birds," by Mr. A. Ezra; "Economy and Mice," by Dr. A. G. Butler; "The Cotton Teal in Captivity," by Mr. H. D. Astley, etc., while Dr. E. Hopkinson continues the useful "English Names for the Parrots."

Kindly announce the postponement of our annual show to Nov. 17, writes Mr. G. E. Cragg, hon. sec. Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A., Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay. The date originally fixed, Nov. 10, was found to clash with the Manchester fixture, and my committee felt that in these times it was not wise, in the interests of the Fancy generally, to clash with such an important fixture. As I am now preparing the draft schedule, I shall be glad to hear from any fancier who wishes to guarantee classes or offer specials.

The Extraordinary Fate of a House Sparrow.



(From a photograph by the "Daily Sketch," London.)

WHAT is probably the most extraordinary fate that ever befel a bird happened recently to a common House Sparrow which tumbled into a tank of boiling sugar at a sweetmeat factory. When taken out of tank, the sugar crystallised on the bird in such a way that its plumage was totally covered with a glistening deposit, and the body was so rigid that it stood firmly on its feet while being photographed, with the result here seen.

In kindly forwarding this unique curiosity, the sender, Mr. W. J. Smith, writes as follows:—"Knowing that you are interested in the happenings of our birdy pals, I am sending you a Sparrow that got in the crystallising tank at the works, with the result you will see. I have seen some of the foreigners come over covered nearly as thickly as this with ice and snow, but never one that has been "sugared" as this one, and though you give us from time to time accounts of many strange things birds do, I think this is somewhat out of the ordinary."

The leading article in the July issue of "British Birds," Messrs. Witherby and Co., High Holborn, one shilling monthly, is on the moulting changes of plumage in British ducks. There is a long list of marked birds which have been recovered through Messrs. Witherby's ringing scheme, and the usual interesting "Notes" are also included in the issue.

OBITUARY.

MR. C. McCANN (Lurgan).

I regret to inform you of the death, on June 28, of Mr. Chas. McCann, writes Mr. J. Lavery, of Lurgan. He was well and favourably known, both as a dealer and, locally, as an exhibitor. His many friends will regret his early death, and the Fancy here is the poorer.

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A Hen with a Grand Record.

I was pleased to have an illustration of my yellow Norwich hen, 1st at the Horticultural Hall, on the front page of Cage Birds, writes Mr. J. Thomas, Ambler Thorn. This hen has done a considerable amount of winning at the principal shows, including, in addition to the London C.B.A., Crystal Palace, Manchester, Doncaster, Huddersfield, Gateshead, Welsh National, and several others. She is still in splendid condition, and is a prolific breeder. She has already had three nests this season, and the youngsters include some very promising birds.

Migration of an Old-time Fancier.

Fanciers of the older school, writes friend W. A. Lott, who is himself "one of the old brigade," will be interested to hear of the migration of the veteran fancier, Sam Cook. He would have migrated to the trenches but for the age limit, and would doubtless have given a good account of himself, for even at his great age he is hale and hearty. His journey is a shorter one, namely, to the little town of Sudbury, where his life long friend, the late Joe Hills, spent most of his life. Sam had been for 44 years at one London address, amid the day and night noises of our great city, and one can guess his feelings while strolling in his hundred feet garden at his new abode. His weekly calls on me, continues Mr. Lott, will be sadly missed, and their opportunities for many a "crack" on old times and old fanciers, and with him has gone my opportunity of occasional inspection of his collection of rare and beautiful stuffed specimens, including the Tree-Creeper which was the first of its species ever to be seen on the show bench. Friend Sam is still proud of having been the first to exhibit a Tree-Creeper. May he find prolonged life and happiness in his village home.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

England.

Oct. 8-9.—**Preston O.S.**—(G. Buck, 5, Nevett St.)
Oct. 12-13.—**Plymouth W.C.O.S.**—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)
Oct. 14.—**Hanley C B.S.**—(C. Beckett, 32, Hamilton-rd., Birkenhead, Hanley.) J.R.
Oct. 15-16.—**Warrington C.B.S.**—(H. Warburton, 73, Ellesmere Rd., Lower Walton, Warrington.) H.W.B., G.L., J.D.L.
Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.**—(A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)
Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.
Oct. 22-23.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)
Oct. 23.—**Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.**—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.) J.R.
Oct. 26-28.—**London and P.O.S.**—(H. L. Huggins, 130, Myddleton Rd., Bowes Park, London.)
Oct. 27-28.—**Carlisle (Border City) O.S.**—(J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle.)
Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester).
Nov. 4.—**Blaenavon C.B.S.**—(G. T. Jones, 13, Broad St.)
Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.
Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.) H.W.B., W.M., W.N.
Nov. 6-8.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street.) J.T., H.J.C.
Nov. 9-10.—**Bournemouth C.B.A.**—(G. W. Jones, 156, Holdenhurst Rd.) H.N.
Nov. 12-13.—**Blaydon-on Tyne C.B.S.**—(G. Havver, 1, Theresa St.) T.D., J.M., H.W.B.
Nov. 13.—**Barnsley C.B.S.**—(E. Toulson, 102, Cope St.)
Nov. 19-20.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., H.W.B.
Nov. 19-20.—**Haltwhistle C.B.S.**—(Wm. Tallantyre, South View.)
Nov. 27.—**Coventry Godiva C.B.S.**—(F. A. Green, 54, Caludon Rd.)
Dec. 1-2.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingham.) J.R., J.H.R.
Dec. 1-2.—**Southampton C.B.S.**—(W. L. Page, 30, Bedford Place, Southampton.) H.N.
Dec. 8-9.—**Watford C.B.S.**—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.) F.E., H.N. A.S., H.J.W.
Dec. 10-11.—**Gateshead C.B.S.**—(W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle).

Scotland.

Nov. 12-13.—**Glasgow C.B.A.**—(W. Hutchison, 567, Hospital Street.) W.G., J. M'L., W. M'M., C.M., A.W., M.C.
Nov. 20.—**Cowdenbeath C.B.S.**—(F. Baxter, 128, Union St.).

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Jan. 1.—**Wishaw, Clydesdale C.B.S.**—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)

Wales.

Oct. 20.—**Abertillery C.B.S.**—(H. H. Mortimer, 4, Granville St.)
Nov 17.—**Llandudno** (Welsh N. Counties F. and F.A.).—(G. E. Cragg, "Rocklands," Rhos, Colwyn Bay.)
Nov. 17-18.—**Cardiff C.B.S.**—(E. Thomas, 48, Craddock St.) J.H.P., J.H.R.

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ABERAMAN and District Cage Birds Fanciers' Association will hold an open show at the Swan Hotel, Aberaman, on **Thursday, July 15th, 1915.** Money prizes, also specials for each class. Also handsome cup for best in show. Schedules are now ready. Judging to commence at 12 noon. Judge, J. Hoare, Esq., Aberaman. Fanciers kindly give their support. Further particulars apply—**W. R. POWELL, Hon. Sec., 215, Cardiff Road, Aberaman, Aberdare, South Wales.**

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HOW I KEEP MY SOFTBILLS.

By J. W. SAYWELL (Nottingham).

IN endeavouring to give the readers of Cage Birds an idea of how I keep my Softbills, I hope my article will be of interest as well as a little helpful. I have had to learn so much by experience that I think it a pity that others should tread the beaten track instead of profiting by the mistakes of those who have gone before them. This is by way of an apology for expressing my views at all in print. Do not think I have not gained a considerable amount of knowledge and help from more experienced fanciers than myself; also I have gleaned much knowledge from our paper Cage Birds.

I cannot understand why this section of our hobby is not taken up more generally than it is at present, as I consider Softbill keeping one of the most delightful and interesting sections of our hobby. It is to the novice generally that I pen these few lines, I do not wish to go into the subject to any great length; on the contrary, I wish to deal with the subject as briefly as possible.

It is the best plan to catch your own birds, if you can do so without infringing the bird laws, for then you have the first pick. I go out into the fields and ascertain the place where they appear to be settling, it being a peculiar trait with Softbills that you can always find them in one particular spot. I take about half a dozen traps with me and set them about twenty feet apart near a brook with a stout hedge running alongside of it.

A Match-stick Alarum.

I bait the traps with mealworms, fastening them on with a small bit of bird-lime near to the head, thus leaving the tail free. I fasten on to the traps a long piece of black cotton to reach where I am in hiding, and to the end of this I tie a match stick, as when you get a long way off you cannot hear or see your traps go off. Of course, when your trap goes off your match stick gives a jump.

When you get your bird or birds, get them home as quickly as possible, as they won't live long without food or water, and place them in a cage that has been darkened three parts of the way down, so that it leaves just enough light to see the food. Place a few mealworms and gentles in a tin inside the cage, also sprinkle a few ants' eggs on the top of the water, so that when the birds move about the draught from their wings moves the ants' eggs on the water; this has a tendency to make them eat.

Then leave them alone for a couple of hours or so to see how they take to cage life. If they have eaten any food, half your battle is over, but if no food has been eaten, and they are continually trying to get through the wires, then the best thing to do is to open the door and let them out.

If your bird has partaken of any food, the next day get your stock mixture, and to this chop about twenty mealworms and well mix together, so that when they get a monthful of mealworm they get a bit of food as well; by so doing you gradually get them on to solid food. It is rather troublesome while it lasts, and generally takes between a week and ten days to get them well on to insectile food.

When you have accomplished this, gradually raise your screen, letting a little more light into the cage. Raise it, say, one inch week by week until you can dispense with it altogether. If you adopt this method your birds do not knock about, and they gradually get used to you. As soon as your screen is level with the perches, offer the birds a mealworm from your fingers; you will not have to offer them many times before they will take one. What you want to do is to gain the confidence of your birds.

The Cages Described.

All my cages are two feet long and one foot high, as these small birds require plenty of exercise. I find the best plan is to give the room in the length of cage, as they soon acquire the habit of clinging to the wires if given too great a depth of cage room. To obviate this I always have also a piece of glass fixed on the inside of the wire from the top of cage down to the centre punch bar, which quickly breaks them of this habit.

The perches I prefer to be screwed into the back of the cage and reaching to within about half an inch of the front; this aids to the spring in the perches, and at the same time they are perfectly safe from dropping, which might startle the bird and cause it to damage its plumage. Fix your perches as far apart as possible, allowing the bird sufficient room to miss catching its tail on the ends of the cage. I also pad the perches with green baize, which has two distinct benefits: The birds' feet are kept quite clean, and it helps to keep the feet in good condition; all Softbills have tender feet, and the precaution is a necessary one.

Food tins are let in at each end of cage. In one I place soft food, and in the other grit and live food (maggots, mealworms, etc.). The advantage of keeping the foods separate is that the bird will throw out all the soft food in search of the insects if they are mixed. Water-glasses should be fixed on the outside, and kept scrupulously clean. For the cage bottom I use sawdust, as I find this keeps them in much cleaner condition than if sand is used.

The insides of all my stock cages are painted holly-green, and they can easily be washed out any time. I have two doors, one in the front which I use to give them the bath, hanging this on to the wires, and one at the end, through which I can run the bird out into the show cage easily, and I make it a practice to do this when cleaning out, so the bird is always in training, and there is no danger of frightening it.

"Drowned" Flies which Walked.

Feeding is a most important item, and I wish to go into detail. My stock mixture consists of the following: 2 parts ants' eggs, 2 parts dried flies, 1 part meat meal, 1 part carrot meal, 1 part silkworm pupæ, ½-part maw seed. To this mixture I add 1 part in 4 of egg cake, made as follows: 14 ozs. flour, 7 ozs. castor sugar, 2 ozs. lard, 4 eggs, half a teaspoonful of baking powder, and a pinch of salt. This should be cooked in a good hot oven and thoroughly baked. Put through a mill and reduce to coarse powder and thoroughly mix together. For live food, I give a few mealworms and maggots daily, also some live ants' eggs occasionally.

I was reading some advice by Mr. Houlton in which he said he fed his birds on flies drowned in beer. I have had some of these "drowned" flies from a beer shop, and on placing them on a paper in front of the fire with the idea of drying them, I was surprised to see about half of them shake themselves and start to walk away. My practice is to use a wire gauze fly-catcher, and when it is full place it in a hot oven; after that they won't trouble to get up and walk, but will keep for future use.

(To be continued.)

LIGHT MULING CANARIES.

A Paper read by Mr. J. Maddison at the Newcastle C.B.S. Meeting, June 3rd.

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I WAS invited to go and see the stock during the next breeding season, and from the first nests the four hens had a total of fourteen Mules, only two of which were dark. Four were very lightly marked, the others were more or less variegated. This case, to my mind, proved the value of a well-bred cock Canary for establishing a strain.

A good many years ago I decided to go in for light Mule breeding, and, knowing a fancier who had occasionally bred light Mules, I bought from him a hen Canary which had bred a variegated Mule. I could not get a related cock, but seeing a well-known breeder of light Mules advertising sib-bred cock Canaries in Cage Birds, I bought one. I paid about five times its face value, but being assured that its breeding was all right, I was satisfied with my bargain.

Light Mules by the Dozen.

I reared five young from that pair, and the following season bred several light Mules from the young hens. The following season again I bred a good number of light ones, including a clear Linnet Mule, the next season a clear Goldfinch Mule. Since that time I have added other six clear Mules to the list, two of which were bred in 1914. A total of eight clear Mules from five different hens is a record of which I think I am justly entitled to feel proud. Of course, besides the clears, I have bred dozens of lightly marked Mules.

I have never bought another cock Canary to cross into my own strain, but I have on two occasions bought a hen, but they were hens I knew had bred light Mules, and although they were not from a light Muling strain they had more size than my own, which was my reason for using them. I may say that when I am breeding Canaries from my birds I don't much consider their relationship to each other, and I breed Canaries only from those that breed the best Mules. At the present time I have a number of fine sturdy young birds, bred from brother and sister. Of course I don't often pair them so nearly related, and when I do so it is for some special purpose. I think that is about all I need say, and if there is any point upon which I have not been sufficiently clear I shall be pleased to explain it to the best of my ability.

The Chairman, Mr. R. Tindale, invited discussion on any of the points mentioned by Mr. Maddison, and many questions were asked and answered. Amongst them were:—

Does Mr. Maddison give all the credit to the hen Canary for breeding light Mules, or does he select some particular sort of Finch? Ans., I rely entirely upon the Canary. I know that many good light Mules have been bred from hen Canaries which had not been sib-bred, and I think it is such cases that have caused some fanciers to conclude that it is the Finch that really causes the Mules to be light. I quite admit that if the Canary is in extra vigorous condition and the Finch in flat condition it might influence the young to take more to the Canary.

Hen Finches Uncertain Breeders.

Seeing that Mr. Maddison has so much faith in the cock Canary, can he say if hen Finches are much used for Mule breeding? Ans.: I think the principal reason why hen Finches are so seldom used is because they are as a rule very uncertain breeders.

But in the case of the Bullfinch, where the hen is always used, is it not rather strange that so few light Mules have been bred from this cross when dark Canary-Bullfinches are fairly plentiful? Ans.: I think the scarcity of light Bullfinch Mules can be accounted for by the fact that cock Canaries from light Muling strains are seldom, if ever, used for pairing with hen Bullfinches.

Does Mr. Maddison always pair his Muling Canaries yellow and buff? Ans.: Not always; my aim has been to breed Mules clear, or as near clear as possible, and with that object in view I have sometimes paired them double yellow and sometimes double buff.

Do you always take a nest of Canaries from the hens before pairing them with the Finch? Ans.: All hens which have previously bred light Mules I take a nest of Canaries from, but young hens are paired to Finches first, and any that breed light Mules are afterwards paired to Canaries if necessary.

Do you find the Finches of much assistance in feeding the young Mules? Ans.: Mine never have the opportunity; I remove the Finch when the hen lays her third egg, and keep him out till she is again ready to nest.

Does Mr. Maddison always use house-moulted Finches if so, is it because they breed lighter Mules than field-moulted birds? Ans.: I use house-moulted birds for preference, not because I think they are sure to breed lighter Mules, but I somehow feel more confidence in them for being breeders, although I have many times had field-moulted birds which were very free breeders.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Maddison for his interesting paper, and answers to the various questions.

Is the Norwich Plainhead Progressing?

A paper read by Mr. T. Johnson (Southpor) before the members of the Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.

WHEN I received the intimation from your secretary that I had been proposed to read a paper, I realised you had done me a very great honour, but I also realised that I should have a difficult bill to fill. Lecturing is a new experience to me, and to start by lecturing before the members of the Manchester and Northern Counties O.S. is on a par with a lay preacher discoursing in a cathedral, so I hope you will make allowance for my diffidence.

To talk about the Norwich Plainhead to a company of Manchester enthusiasts is like a Lilliputian telling Colossus how to grow big, for if any section of the Fancy in the British Isles knows how to produce the Norwich, it is you people in the environs of Manchester and East Lancashire.

However, I have so worded the heading to this paper that no one may accuse me of trying to teach you how to produce the Norwich. I am after that information myself. It has always seemed a curious thing to me that those people who do know how to produce them are, either from sheer cussedness or from rank modesty, as close as an oyster.

Just a Few Impressions.

Anyhow, as I was saying, this is not a paper on breeding. I will leave that to a more successful breeder, and for such you need not go out of your own society. I would like to mention that I do not wish to appear dogmatic. I mean that anything I may say must not be taken as a manifestation that because I say it is so, it must be. In short, I don't wish to pose as Sir Oracle, I am here just to give you a few impressions of the Norwich Canary that I have gathered during the 12 to 15 years I have been interested in it.

That doubtless is not long for some of you older fanciers, but I hope to show you that it is a sufficiently long time for the Norwich to have had a few vicissitudes, and that during that time the Norwich has improved as a variety. I would like to mention though, in passing, that the Norwich is not yet up to the standard adopted by the clubs; few, in my opinion, come within measurable distance of it. But we are on the way, and, again in my opinion, the youngsters are an improvement every year.

Well, to begin, I must mention that the birds to which I am referring in this paper were the best, or were considered by many to be the best, in their day in this district, and so far as the Norwich Canary is concerned, this district has not been behind in their production, either then or now.

The Birds of Long Ago.

The first bird I shall draw your attention to for comparative purposes is the old "King"—Sandiford's old King. That is as far back as my memory serves. I think you will agree with me that this was perhaps the best buff Norwich cock being exhibited at that time—1905, I think. He was a good bird without doubt; and I want you to throw your minds back a few years, and compare him with the best buff cocks of to-day. I think I may venture to say that in a class of present champions he would be unnoticed, or, at least, low down in the cards.

Some of you may not agree with me, but that is perhaps my misfortune. Have you ever wondered what a funny world this would be when everybody agreed with everybody else? Anyway, my perceptive faculties tell me that if the old King were alive to-day he would be short of substance and the valuable head points which are essential for present competition.

Another bird that had a glorious career was the "Little King," shown by Mr. Tom Seed, and I hope to convince you further to my argument by taking this bird, because he lived over so many seasons. When first I knew him he invariably stood first, and I used to admire him for his silkiness of feather. Later, when his show career was getting ended, it was easy to find four or five birds to stand before him in a class, not because he had deteriorated as a bird, but because we were breeding them better. When he did happen to tumble in first, it was because the judge was perhaps a bit sentimental and did not like to see an old champion beaten.

Would be Outclassed To-day.

Now, I want you to compare him with, say, the buff cock so successfully shown by Mr. Davies. The old champion would be swamped in every point, and I venture to add that there are so many birds better to-day that he would be unnoticed. Yet the critics say that our Norwich are deteriorating!

Two other birds which were doing a great amount of winning about that time were the "Sign of the Cross" and the old ticked yellow. Both of these were about unbeatable at that time, and looking back I consider that they were the precursors of the improved Norwich of to-day, because they stood out so much from their fellows of that time. They were triumphs of the scientific breeder's art.

Another bird which was being exhibited then was a variegated buff cock shown at Manchester by Mr. Andrew Watson, of Scotland, and afterwards claimed by Mr. Sandiford. This bird was to me a revelation, and was probably the most noted and most noticed Norwich of that year, 1909, and the reason why he was the most noticed was because he was such an improvement, such an advance on the older birds—at least, that is how he appeared to me.

He was bigger, with a more massive head, and had a beautiful rise from the beak—a point which requires watching at the present time. Withal, he was of beautiful type, and had the lovely silky feather that the present-day winners have. If anything, he was a little narrow at entrance, but he widened out towards the neck, and on the whole I think he would compare favourably with present-day winners, except he might lose a little in neck.

(To be continued.)

Correspondence.

Wagtails in Ireland.

Sir,—Yellow Wagtails have not been very rare in Ireland these last seven or eight years, and about the glens of Antrim the Grey Wagtail is very plentiful in river districts. As I am a keen angler and British bird fancier, I come across many strange birds during my fishing. I can hear the Blackcap Warbler at his best in two minutes' walk from my house in Belfast, which is rare, I believe, in Ireland.

W. McAteer.

To Exterminate Lice in Canaries

Sir,—Would some of your numerous readers be good enough to let me know how to exterminate lice? In one nest of young birds I find they have made their appearance in some unaccountable way. I have always been most careful to keep all cages and utensils thoroughly clean, and am quite at a loss to discover how they have been introduced. These remarks apply only to this one nest; all other birds are perfectly free, and I wish to exterminate them immediately for fear others may become affected. I have asked some of the best-known breeders how to deal with them, and only a few days ago one of our best fanciers, and a leading judge frankly admitted that he did not know how to get rid of them entirely, once they make their appearance.

As this question must be one a number of your readers have had to solve, and is a vital one in a bird-room, I think if you would invite correspondence on this subject it would be conferring a great benefit upon your readers, for I am loath to believe that it is impossible to exterminate them. Washing, particularly with young birds, would be useless unless frequently carried out, and to encourage replies I enclose 2s. 6d., which you may forward to the reply which, in your opinion, is likely to prove the most successful.

Novice.

[We shall be pleased to award the prize sent by our correspondent, and we hope readers will give him the benefit of their experience. —Editor Cage Birds.]

Intelligence in Birds.

Sir,—I have been glad to see some interesting notes on this subject in the correspondence columns and, with the view of keeping the matter before your readers, I may perhaps be permitted to mention two recent incidents in my aviary. Some time since a pair of White-winged Whydahs built a domed nest on the top of a dense clump of marsh-grass in a division of the aviary which opens into the flight. A pair of Sikkim Siskins had previously nested in a *Pinus maritima* in the same division. At the time when the Whydahs commenced operations the Siskins had two young on the wing, and one which was not quite so forward. Whydahs are dangerous birds when actually nesting, so, when the Giant Whydah bred here a few years since, in this same division, I shut the hen in and let her rear the young single-handed. But this time I was very anxious to ascertain whether the males of those species of Whydah which are alleged to be polygamous do or do not normally assist in feeding the young, so I left the division open, with the result that there have been some losses and much interference with nesting in this aviary. But there are always compensations; for instance, the above question has been settled. Now the Siskins knew that it would mean death to enter the Whydah's division, but (despite the remarks of one correspondent who commented on the desertion by birds of their young), they had not the least intention of abandoning their third and backward youngster, who was not yet strong enough to leave the friendly shelter of the Pinus. This was how they got round the difficulty. There was one long bough of the tree which just touched with its extreme tip the wire-netting between this division and the next. Entering the next division they called the youngster and induced him to make his way along the bough until he reached the netting; then they fed him through the netting from the opposite side. This they continued to do until he was strong enough to fly well.

The Whydahs also had a little difficulty to surmount; the entrance opening in the wall of their nest was so placed that anyone entering the aviary could look into the latter. This was how they got over the difficulty; the hen went off on a foraging expedition and returned with some flowering heads of grass on stems which she had cut to a length of about six inches. She inserted the stems in the base of the nest in such a way that the heads formed a screen, covering and concealing the entrance. I watched her begin and complete the work through powerful binoculars.

The correspondence on this subject promised well, but unfortunately it did not soar above the commonplace. One correspondent referred to birds deserting their young, but this, I think, is a rare event in a state of Nature, and when it occurs there is always some good reason for it, though we may not always detect the reason. For instance, a few years since a brood of Spotted Flycatchers in my garden was deserted, but a close examination discovered the male drowned in a small fish-pond in which he had tried to bathe. It seemed cruel of the hen to desert her five young, but she knew that it was absolutely impossible for her to rear them single-handed and was wise enough not to attempt the impossible.

Another correspondent (or was it the same?) mentioned the case of a Rook which killed another Rook with a broken wing. But this seems to me to prove the reasoning power of birds. The Rook knew that a bird with a broken wing must die, and mercifully put it out of its misery. Compare this with the narrative of the Raven in Bishop Stanley's History of Birds, who fed a dog with a broken leg until it recovered. The Raven evidently knew that a dog with a broken leg would recover. Perhaps your sceptical correspondent will write again and say that he does not believe the story. Now, would a Bishop tell a fib? Also, what about Elijah?

W. E. Teschemaker.

P.S.—It may be of interest to fanciers of foreign birds to mention that the Whydahs reared two young.

Birds in the Firing Line.

The Vibration Theory Disproved.

Sir,—The following is part of a letter I have received from a chum, who has been at the front since the outbreak of the war, and I am sending it to you, thinking it may be of interest.

"Bowler."

I have two splendid young Blackbirds which I took out of a nest that I found here. It was very strange how they ever came out of the eggs. I could scarcely believe it. The big guns have been roaring every day within about twenty yards from the nest, and their discharge shakes the earth we are standing on. However, they manage to hatch out I do not know, but they will be picking for themselves by the time this letter reaches you, and if I can manage to bring one home, I will do so, just to prove it to you I hope you are having good luck with all your birds. When this lot is over they will be giving us five days' leave. We draw for our turns, and if I am lucky you might see me some day when not expected.

Your old chum,

C. Tormay.

The House Martin and the Soldiers.

Sir,—As a reader of your journal in peace time, and thinking of the numerous stories of wild birds which I have read in Cage Birds, I am writing to acquaint you of birds as I have seen them almost every day in the part of France where I am at present.

I have been in the trenches many a time during a dreary night in cold and rain, with German snipers and the guns going at it until daybreak. Then in the lull of the firing the Skylark has soared above and poured out his beautiful song; you forget sometimes that the war is on. At one place I was in a Wren built its nest just above a pump where the soldiers had their morning toilet. Having been brought up in a town like Manchester, and not seeing any such sights there, it is marvellous to me to find that under the circumstances out here such things can occur. I am not far from the firing-line at present, and the house in which I am billeted with several others is practically ruined by shell. Yet a House Martin has built a nest on the wall, and is bringing up her young. She keeps flying all day long in and out of the window and feeding her little youngsters. We have put a notice under the nest that no one must interfere with it or with the young birds, but I do not think we shall be here long enough to see the young birds leave the nest. It is a most interesting sight to see the mother feed the young. We sing and make all sorts of noises, but the bird takes no notice of us. The big guns are making their clatter all day, and amid all the havoc these birds go about as if they had got accustomed to the state of affairs.

OLD CALABAR
BIRD SEEDS AND PARROT FOOD
IN PACKETS EVERYWHERE.
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You once published a letter in Cage Birds from me giving my experience on breeding Canaries for the first time, and I hope that this short narrative will be of some interest for your paper. If you publish the same, will you kindly send a copy of Cage Birds to my wife. I left a hen Canary and cock Linnet at home when I joined the forces.

W. Dorrington.

[We have had pleasure in forwarding a copy of this issue to Mrs. Dorrington with best wishes for the speedy and safe return of her husband.—Editor.]

The Ups and Downs of Hybrid Breeding.

Sir,—The following is a record of my birds up to date, and may be of interest to readers of Cage Birds, especially Hybrid breeders, as it shows the trials and disappointments that one sometimes has to put up with: No. 1 pair, Goldfinch and Greenfinch, 1st nest, 4 eggs, 2 fertile, 2 hatched June 10th, young mysteriously disappeared June 13th; 2nd nest, 2 eggs, 2 fertile, due to hatch July 3. No. 2 pair, Greenfinch and Bullfinch. 1st nest, 1 egg, unfertile, May 11; 2nd nest, 3 eggs, unfertile, June 13; 3rd nest, 2 eggs, eaten by rats, June 24. No. 3 pair, Goldfinch and Bullfinch, 1st nest, 1 egg, unfertile, May 13; 2nd nest, 4 eggs, 2 fertile, 2 hatched, June 7, 1 mysteriously disappeared June 10th, 1 died at 8 days' old, starved by foster parents; 3rd nest, 2 eggs, 1 fertile, 1 hatched, June 19, killed to-day by cat, June 28 (sudden death of the cat); 4th nest, 1 egg, 1 fertile, due to hatch July 1st. No. 4 pair, Linnet and Bullfinch, 1st nest, 5 eggs, 2 fertile, 1 hatched, June 20, in the same nest as the 3rd nest from No. 3 pair, and killed by same cat. No. 5 pair, Hawfinch and Greenfinch, 1st nest, 4 eggs, due to hatch July 9th. No. 6 pair, Goldfinch and Linnet, 1st nest, 2 eggs, 1 fertile, did not hatch, June 20; 2nd nest, 1st egg laid this morning, June 28. No. 7 pair, Twite-Greenfinch Hybrid cock and buff hen Canary, 1st nest, 4 eggs, 3 fertile, 2 hatched, May 28th, died on June 1st; 2nd nest, 2 eggs, hen only sat 4 days, June 17; 3rd nest, 3 eggs, hen again only sat a few days, June 25.

From the above it may be seen that one must be prepared for anything that turns up. One's hopes are raised very high, only to be dashed down again. But it is without doubt the most interesting of all the branches of bird breeding, and when one does succeed in rearing a youngster one has something to be proud of. In conclusion I may say all my eggs except those from No. 7 pair are tested out of doors in the nests of Linnets, Greenfinches, and such like, as in my opinion the youngsters grow bigger, and are more likely to be reared, that is, if one can keep vermin, cats, and boys away from them, but of course it is taking big risks. I trust others may have better luck than I have had so far this season, but I may yet breed one or two, and my hopes have not yet quite vanished. I have had some eggs this season which after being sat on for 24 to 48 hours have turned very light in weight, and on being broken look as if they have been hard boiled.

A. Meek.

Messrs. Gough and Loach's Buff Norwich Hen.

A Present for the Kaiser.

Sir,—I wish to thank most heartily Cage Birds for depicting one of my favourite birds on the front page of last week's issue, also to extend my thanks to the artist. Perhaps an epitome of the bird's career may be interesting. She was a late-hatched one, July 1915, and was shown for the first time at the Crystal Palace, January 1914, and at six shows during 1914 and 1915. From these shows she never returned without a card; her wins are: 1st Watford, 3rd Coventry, 4th Crystal Palace, vhc Northampton, West Bromwich, and Birmingham, hc Wolverhampton.

This bird did not do any good as a breeder last season, for not a single bird did we get from her, and all brought about by catching cold returning from a show. This year she is doing well, and has reared a nest of four, and now has three young four days old. Last week, at our club nest feather show, two of her offspring out of the nest of four were shown (six weeks old), and took 1st each in the clear and unevenly marked classes, and special for best bird in show. These young birds look like putting their mother's record in the shade.

Our breeding season has been a very good one so far, exceeding last year's record both in quantity and quality. We have 11 pairs up, against 15 last year, and have 24 birds on the sticks and 14 in the nests, all doing well, and 45 per cent. appear to be yellows. I usually get a good percentage of yellows, and claim that this is due to breeding with yellow hens bred from a yellow male parent. I find that I am not the only pebble on the beach, so far as a successful season is concerned, for a few of my brother fanciers in and around Wolverhampton whom I have visited appear to be well satisfied with their breeding season. We only hope this applies to many other clubs.

My partner "Gough" says that if the war should be over by the time the birds are through their moult, and result in the capture of the Kaiser, he would gladly prepare for him a brace of our best birds, saturated with arsenic, packed and fully addressed, to be delivered personally with the following note: "With best wishes from the Bulldog breed for a speedy voyage to the place you well deserve." Dose: To be taken in one gulp. These are, I believe, the sentiments of the Fancy generally, and especially so with those who had to give up their favourite birds, to go out to fight. However, I hope the majority will soon return to take up once more this fascinating hobby and so swell the pages of that interesting and indispensable paper Cage Birds.

F. A. Loach (Gough and Loach).

My Birdroom Month by Month.

By a Midland Birdlover.

(*Continued from page* 123.)

The previous instalment, published in our issue of February 27, gave short details of bird-room management from January to June, and the following will complete the round of the year.

THE treatment of my birds during July is practically the same as in the preceding month. Every care is taken to see that everything is scrupulously clean, and that an abundant supply of fresh air is allowed to circulate freely through the birdroom. I never relax my vigilance against the red mite, and I take the greatest care to see that all soft food is sweet. The bath is given freely, and the supply of green food for the old birds is continued. Most of my breeding pairs are broken up by the end of the month.

The diet for August is plain Canary seed as a staple, and a pinch of rape seed twice a week. Towards the end of the month I begin to give a little colour food, and I supply my birds with the wild seeds that are obtainable during this month. A sharp look-out is still kept for red mites; in fact a fancier must always be on the alert for signs of these pests.

September: During this month the moulting period will be passed through. I mix my colour food with Spratts' Cod Liver Oil Food, which I find very satisfactory. Once a week I give a small piece of sulphate of iron in the drinking water. When the birds are well on in the moult I add a small quantity of linseed to the staple diet of canary. Chickweed and plantain stalks I give for green food through the moult.

October: Moulting continues in most cases through part of this month, and as the nights are rather chilly, care should be taken that the birds do not catch a chill. As the birds finish off the moult I gradually begin to cut down the supply of colour food. I allow my birds plenty of exercise, also fresh air; care, however, is wanted to see that the birds are not in a draught. I still continue the baths, and as soon as the first new feathers are seen the window of the bird-room is covered with a light blind to tone down the light. The closing week of this month should see the completion of the moult.

As my birds are in a cold room I give a pinch of a mixture of hemp and rape once a week during November. Great care is required in the matter of bathing during this month; when cold, I withhold same altogether, and at other times use water with the chill taken off. Should I have any birds who have not finished their moult I take special care to see that these are protected from draughts and placed in the warmest part of the room. A piece of boiled carrot, ripe apple or banana may be given in place of the green food.

I give a pinch of hemp, inga and rape once or twice weekly during December. I still give the bath, but with caution, and with due regard to the climatic conditions, and condition of the birds. I withhold green food altogether during this month, apples and boiled carrots taking its place. When all birds have completely finished the moult I go over my stock, separating those birds I wish to keep from those for sale. These latter I dispose of as soon as possible, more room being then available for the birds left.

Having now given my method of rearing and feeding Canaries for the whole year, I need only remind all beginners that though there is no royal road to success in bird-breeding (if there were its fascination would disappear) there is plenty of pleasure and profit to be obtained from this hobby if the fancier will have patience and perseverance. Remember the old saying, if you don't at first succeed try, try again.

Club Reports.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

General meeting, July 1, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market. Mr. R. Tindale, chair. Mr. E. B. Hooper, Wrekenton, and Mr. T. Walshaw, Whorlton, were elected members. Final arrangements were made for N.F. show. Subs. are now overdue.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

QUEEN'S PARK (Glasgow) C.B.S.

Meeting, July 3, Marie Stuart Hall, Crosshill, president, Mr. R. Heggie, in the chair, and a good attendance. Classification for annual show was fixed, extra classes were given in Yorks. and British sections; prize-money on same principles as last year. Members who have not yet paid their subs. for 1915 might note that same is now overdue. Next meeting, last Wed. in August.—E. Holliday, Sec.

BRECHIN C.B.S.

Special meeting, June 30. Decided to hold annual show as usual on Nov. 6. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s. Judges: Nor., Mr. Allison, Aberdeen; Bord., Mr. Rintoul, Methil; British, Mr. Raine, Cathcart. Unanimously agreed to add a class for British hen; gift class as usual; all surplus cash to go for comforts to the local soldiers at the front. We trust fanciers will remember the date, and reward Brechin with a record entry.—J. Crabb.

LONDON AND COUNTIES O.C.B.

Meeting, July 3, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C. Mr. A. J. Durham presided over a fair number. Mr. W. Dyer was elected a member. Mr. Hazell gave a lecture on Colour Feeding, after which several questions were asked, and suitably answered by lecturer. A hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Hazell for his most interesting and instructive lecture, and a vote of thanks to chair brought a very pleasant evening to a close.—W. Gilbert, Hon. Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Meeting, July 1, Prince of Wales Hotel, Mr. Cooper presiding. Decided to run another N.F. show July 17, Mr. H. H. Mortimer being judge. Classes: Nor. champ., Nor. nov., Yorks. champ., Yorks. nov., Bord., Mules, Brit. Prizes, 2s., 1s. 6d., 5s. special for best young bird, and 2s. 6d. for second best; medal for most points in the show. Members please note that owing to our Sec., Mr. H. H. Mortimer acting as judge, all entries are to be sent to me.—J. W. Bibbings, 35, Church-st., Abertillery.

HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.

Meeting June 24, Mr. J. Nicholson's. Mr. G. H. Bowerbank presided over a good company. Decided to hold annual N.F. show Aug. 2, in place of July 3, as our members have had a very poor breeding season. Same classification as last year, with the addition of a Greenfinch class. Entrance fee 6d., and prize money at the rate of 3d., 2d., and 1d. Admission 3d., everybody to pay. Owing to the death of Mr. Thos. Arnot, whom we had selected to judge our open show, it was decided to write two or three other gentlemen for terms, and sec. was instructed to write to specialist clubs for patronage of same. The meeting was brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chairman. Subs. must be paid before N.F. show to entitle exhibition.—Wm. Tallantyre, Sec.

GLASGOW & WEST COUNTIES.

Meeting July 3; Mr. Pettigrew presided over a good attendance. New members admitted: Messrs. R. Steel, W. Jack, H. O'Hagan, and A. Hird. Decided to have another ramble to Torrance on July 31, particulars of which will be given in CAGE BIRDS. The wild seed gathering will be held in August, date arranged at next meeting. Specials for young bird show, Aug. 7, were given by Messrs. Lillies, Jack, Fir'ay, Dick, O'Hagan, McGowan, Dinwoodie, Cassels, Bannerman, McJury, Pettigrew, and Adam. Judge, Mr. Jas. Downie. Classification: Nor., cl. or tkd. yell., do buff, var. yell., do buff; Bord., cl. or tkd., var., Green or Cinn., Yorks., Can. A.O.V., Nov. Can., young Mule or Hyb. Members to be at Good Templars Hall, 122, Ingram Street, at 3.30, judging to begin at 4, and usual meeting at 7. A good entry and attendance requested.—J. H. Adam, Hon. Sec.

Y.C.C. OF SCOTLAND.

Meeting and F.F. show, Nelson's Temperance Hotel, Ingram Street, Glasgow June 26. New members proposed: Messrs. T. Millar, McInnes, Morton (Stirling); D. C. Hunter (Springburn); Wm. Findlay (Possilpark); G. McColl (Jamestown); J. Thomson (Lochgelly). The following gave specials for show: Messrs. Johnstone, Peters, McLean, Heggie, Gray, and Park, and these were all allocated for best in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 6th throughout the show. President Mr. R. Heggie has presented the club with a cup for patronage. Show points to count with the four highest young birds, ring or not, bred, reared, and moulted by the exhibitor; the parents of same to be the absolute property of said exhibitor. The winner of this cup becomes the owner. Mr. Heggie is also giving a rose bowl to be competed for annually at shows where patronage is given by Y.C.C. of Scotland, to be won twice in succession or three times in all; points to count with three closed ring nominated birds in young bird classes. Competitors must mark their entry form "bowl," and give ring numbers. The birds must be bred, reared, and moulted by the exhibitor, and the parents must be his absolute property. Points to count: 1st 7, and downwards to 7th, 1. Mr. Heggie judged F.F. show, and his awards were well received. Cl. Yell.: 1, McInnes; 2, Ross; 3, Martin; 4, sp, Pinnock; 5, sp, Park; 6, Findlay. Buff: 1, McInnes; 2, Martin; 3, sp, McLean; 4, 6, Gibb; 5, Park; 7, Findlay. Tkd. Yell.: 1, sp, medal best in hall, McLean; 2, sp, Park; 3, McLean; 4, Pinnock; 5, 6, sp, Gibb; 7, Ross. Buff: 1, McInnes; 2, 4, Steel; 3, Ross; 5, Priest. Mr. Steel won novice medal. Variegs. Yell.: 1, McInnes; 2, Park; 3, 4, Pinnock.—Wm. Priest, Hon. Sec.

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The Shows.

WINTERTON F.S.

2nd members' show July 1, Cross Keys Clubroom. Yorks.: 1, 2, Stainton; 3, Smith. Nor.: 1, Stainton; 2, Bedford; 3, Stainton. Yorks., 1915: 1, 2, Bullivant. Nor.: 1, 2, Stainton. Brit.: 1, Bullivant; 2, Smith; 3, Stainton. Cup for best bird in show was won by a grand yellow Yorks. cock, owned and bred by W. Stainton. Mr. H. Payne, Doncaster, judged.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.

Members' show, Granby Hotel, July 3. 34 birds were judged by Mr. E. Lumb, Halifax. Cl. Yell.: 1, 3, Allatt; 2, Sharpe; 4, Womersley; vhc, Rolfe. Buff: 1, vhc, Womersley; 2, Blagbrough; 3, Rolfe; 4, e, Allatt; he, Sugden. Tkd. Yell.: 1, Sharpe; 2, 4, J. and F. Haggis; 3, Allatt; vhc, Clayton. Buff: 1, Womersley; 2, Clayton; 3, Sugden; 4, Williams; vhc, Allatt. Mkd. Yell.: 1, Jowett; 2, Williams; 3, J. and F. Haggis; 4, Sharpe. Buff: 1, 4, Sugden; 2, Ambler; 3, Sharpe; vhc, Jowett; he, Williams. Foul Mkd., More Dark than Light: 1, Ambler; 2, Blagborough.—W. Jagger, Sec.

ROCHDALE (Good Intent) C.B.S.

16th annual F.F. show, June 26, Temperance Club, Toad Lane. Only 51 entered, but quality was very good. The clear yellow Norwich shown by Mr. Francis, best bird in show, looks like making a very good bird, and had many admirers. Judge, Mr. R. Barrass, Rochdale.—J. Coupe, Sec.

[From catalogue sent by the sec. we gather that the principal winners were: Crest: Jackson, Collinge. Nor.: Francis, H. Howarth, A. Howarth, Blincoe. Yorks.: J. Howarth, Collins, Francis, Dickinson, Blackburn, Butterworth. Brit.: Blincoe, Tonks. Nov.: Jackson, Edwards. Specials: Cup and medal, Jackson; runner-up, Francis; best bird, Francis; points winners: Francis, Howarth, Tonks.—(Ed.)]

GREAT HORTON O.S.

F.F. show, Station Hotel, July 3. Judge, Mr. H. H. Towers, who gave every satisfaction. Champion Section.—Class 1: 1, Hartley; 2, 3, Ormonroyd; 4, Midgley; vhc, Lingard. Class 2: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hartley; vhc, c, Lingard; he, Midgley. Class 3: 1, 2, Hartley; 3, Ormonroyd; 4, Lingard; vhc, Midgley. Class 4: 1, 4, Hartley; 2, Ormonroyd; 3, Midgley; vhc, Lingard. Class 5: 1, Hartley; 2, Lingard; 3, Midgley. Class 6: 1, Ormonroyd. Novice.—Class 11: 1, 3, Shackleton; 2, Firth. Class 12: 1, Sharpe and Son; 2, 4, Firth; 3, vhc, he, Collins Bros.; c, Shackleton. Class 13: 1, Ellis Self. Class 14: 1, 2, Ellis Self; 3, Firth; 4, Sharpe and Son. Class 15: 1, 2, 4, Collins Bros.; 3, Oliver. Class 16: 1, 3, Collins Bros.; 2, Ellis Self. Class 18: 1, 2, 3, 4, Shackleton.—A. W. Hartley, Sec.

HANLEY C.B.S.

First N.F. show, June 26, Angel Hotel, Hanley. Although not an extra number of exhibits, quality was very good. Mr. F. Bates, Cliffe Vale, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Champ. Yorks., Class 4: 1, 2, Lawton; 3, 4, vhc, he, Pigott; c, Salt. Class 5: 1, 4, Lawton; 2, c, Pigott; 3, he, Salt; vhc, Hawley. Class 6: Robinson. Class 7: 1, Pigott; 2, Robinson; 3, Hawley; 4, vhc, he, Beckett. Class 8: 1, 3, vhc, Pigott; 2, Brown, jun.; 4, Robinson. Nov. Nor. Class 9: 1, 2, Cooper. Class 11: 1, 2, 3, Cooper. Yorks., Class 12: 1, 3, vhc, Brown, jun.; 2, Mycott; 4, Beckett. Class 13: 1, 2, Brown, jun. Class 14: 1, Brown, jun.; 2, Beckett; 3, Brown, sen. Old birds: Yorks., Class 15: 1, 2, 3, Beckett; 4, Dale. Class 16: 1, Beckett; 2, 4, Lawton; 3, vhc, Brown, sen.; vhc, Dale; also Mr. Beckett, 1st prize for brown Linnet Mule.—C. Beckett, Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Fifth annual young bird show, Red Lion Hotel, June 19. Entries were not so numerous as usual, owing to moderate breeding results, but there was a nice display of Norwich, several fine youngsters being staged which should be heard of again, and a nice lot of British birds of exceptional merit proved a great attraction to visitors, of which there was a fair attendance. Mr. F. Bate judged. Nor., Yell., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, c, Leese; he, Glover. Buff: 1, Leese; 2, Glover; 3, c, Bagshaw; vhc, he, Forest. Yell. Mkd.: 1 2, Glover; 3, Ousman. Buff: 1, Bagshaw; 2, Bowers; 3, vhc, Fox. Goldf.: 1, 2, 3, Critchlow. Linnet: 1, Hartley; 2, Bowers. Siskin, etc.: 1, Hartley. A.O. Brit.: 1, Pitchford. Nor., old bird: 1, 2, he, Leese; 3, Bowers; vhc, Forest. Yorks.: 1, 2, Pitchford. Linnet, F.-M.: 1, Hartley; 2, 3, he, Critchlow; vhc, Pitchford; c, Forest. Goldf., F.M.: 1, Critchlow; 2, Hartley.—J. Pitchford, Sec.

OPENSHAW, GORTON, C.B.S.

3rd Annual N.F. show, June 19, Mr. Royle, Sale, judged, to the satisfaction of all, the "gate" was not quite as good as expected, but was fair under the present circumstances. Mr. Green took most points; Mr. Peters, most points for trophy and medal "amateur"; Mr. Johnson and Mr. Beddall, most points for novice medal, with 16 points each; Mr. Dixon and Mr. Johnson, 15 points each for novice special.

Amat., Cl., etc., Yell. Yorks.: 1, 3, Richards; 2, Gilbert; 4, vhc, Dewar. Buff: 1, 4, Dewar; 2, he, Gilbert; 3, vhc, Green; c, Richards. Yell. Nor.: 1, 2, 3, Peters; 4, Green. Buff: 1, 2, Peters; 3, Green; 4, vhc, he, c, Chilton. Nov., Cl., etc., Buff Yorks.: 1, 2, 4, Beddall; 3, vhc, Kempster. Yell. Nor.: 1, 2, Dixon; 3, Giles. Buff: 1, 2, 3, 4, Dixon. Bord.: 1, 2, 3, Johnson; 4, Newton; vhc, he, Chilton. Mule: 1, 2, Daley. Goldf. and Bullf.: 1, 2, Daley; 3, vhc, Chilton; 4, he, Green. Siskin, etc.: 1, 3, Green; 2, Daley; 4, Chilton; vhc, Johnson. Chaffinch, etc.: 1, Beddall; 2, 3, 4, Newton; vhc, Daley. For.: 1, 2, Beddall.—A. W. Newton, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, July 1, Mr. Jones presiding. The chief interest was the table show, which mustered 79 entries. Judges, Messrs. Taylor (Yorks), Waters (Nor.), Fallding (Brit.). Yorks, Yell.: 1, Jones; 2, 4, vhc, Pickering; 3, he, Gregory; c, Drabble. Buff: 1, Jones; 2, 3, Gregory; 4, vhc, he, Pickering. Nor. Yell.: 1, 3, J. & L. Woolhouse; 2, 4, Hemmings; vhc, he, Drabble. Buff, Nov. York. Yell.: 1, vhc, Bagshaw; 2, he, c, Fretwell; 3, Sanderson; 4, Carr. Buff: 1, vhc, Bagshaw; 2, Williams; 3, 4, c, Fretwell; he, Sanderson. Nor. Yell.: 1, Goodison; 2, 4, Gears; 3, c, Austin; vhc, Sisson; he, Armitage. Buff: 1, 2, Curly; 3, 4, Gears; vhc, Austin; he, Armitage; c, Sisson. Mr. Scott elected a member. No meeting next month.—E. Sisson, Assist. Sec.

From the catalogue of F.F. show, July 3, received, we gather that the principal winners were:—Yorks: Jones, Gregory, Pickering; Nov.: Bagshaw, Fretwell, Williams; Nor.: Woolhouse, Waters; Nov.: Curley, Austin, Gears, Armitage, Wragg; Brit.: Fallding, Walsh, Bearder, Bailey. The judges were Messrs. Hemmings (Nor.), Furniss (Yorks), and Mace (Brit.).—Editor CAGE BIRDS.

BARRINGTON & CHOPPINGTON.

Annual N.F. show, July 3. Owing to the war, entries were very few, only four exhibitors turning up to show in three classes. Mr. T. Sanderson, Bedlington, judged. Special for best bird was won by F. Scott, with a buff cinn., and second best by Seely and Sons, with a yellow Nor. Nor.: 1, sp, 2, Seely and Sons; 3, Dixon; vhc, Griffiths. Bord.: 1, 2, Seely and Sons; 3, Dixon. A.O.V. Can. or Mule: 1, sp, 2, Scott.—H. Seely, Sec.

MORLEY C.B.S.

First members' show, June 19, Shoulder of Mutton, Bruntcliffe. 32 birds were judged to the satisfaction of all by Mr. C. Atkinson, Bradford. Yell. Yorks. (6): 1, Cooke; 2, Aspden Bros.; 3, Toulman. Buff (5): 1, Aspden Bros.; 2, Toulman; 3, Cooke. Mkd. Yell. Yorks. Gr. or Cinn. (3): 1, 3, Mitchell; 2, Scholes. Buff (6): 1, Cooke; 2, Aspden Bros.; 3, Scholes. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Burnell; 2, Pyrah. Linnet: 1, 2, Burnell; 3, Pyrah. Redpoll, etc.: 1, 2, Burnell. Greenf.: 1, Burnell; 2, 3, Pyrah. A.O.V.: 1, Burnell; 2, Pyrah.—Wm. Bywater, Assist. Sec.

RUNCORN B.B.A.

N.F. show, headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms. In spite of many members having a bad season, 50 birds faced Mr. Hampson, of Penketh, who gave satisfaction. Mr. Poole won cup for most points with 3 nominated birds, and has now won it outright. Champ. Yorks.: 1, c, vhc, Rone; 2, he, c, Bradhury; 4, Helsby. Nor.: 1, 3, 4, he, Walker; 3, vhc, Whyte. Green Nor.: 1, 3, Walker; 2, 4, vhc, Faulkner; he, c, Guy. Crest or C.B.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Guy. Nov. Yorks: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, Poole; c Spruce.—E. Rone Sec.

BOWBURN C.B.S.

Annual young bird show, June 19, at the house of Mr. Toulson, in a very nice room, with plenty of light and free from draughts. Mr. A. E. Priest makes a most obliging and courteous sec., and had everything well in hand. The exhibits were not so numerous as might have been, owing to the moderate breeding season of the members. Mr. A. J. Notley, Hetton-le-Hole, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

Can. or Mule, bred 1915: 1, sp, Roddam; 2, Tippling; 3, Toulson; 4, Marr; he, vhc, Priest; c, Huggins. Nor., Yell.: 1, Roddam; 2, Priest. Buff: 1, Roddam; 2, Miller; 3, Freeman; vhc, Priest; he, Huggins. Crest: 1, Freeman. C.B.: 1, Huggins. Yorks., Yell.: 1, Priest. Buff: 1, Huggins. Linnet: 1, Huggins; 2, Priest; 3, S. Bailes; vhc, Stewart; he, Coates; c, T. Bailes. A.O. Small Hardbill: 1, 2, vhc, Roddam, Goldf., Bramblf., and Siskin; 3, Priest, Goldf.; he, Marr; c, Stewart.

DARLINGTON C.B.S.

Annual F.F. show, July 3. 72 birds staged. Mr. Wake, Middlesbrough, judged and gave every satisfaction. Yorks (14): 1, he, Stephenson; 2, Harrow; 3, vhc, Carter; 4, Blackbourn; c, Cook. Nor. (13): 1, c, Stephenson; 2, 3, Jeffries; 4, he, Heslop; vhc, Gale. A.O.V. Can.: 1, 3, 4, Jeffries; 2, Hearfield; vhc, Harrow; he, Stephenson. Mules: 1, Robinson. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Foster; 2, Carter; 3, Cooper; 4, Gray; vhc, Hearfield. Greenf., etc. (10): 1, 4, Foster; 2, vhc, Robinson; 3, Gray; he, Hearfield; c, Stothard. Siskin, etc. (5): 1, 4, Foster; 2, Stothard; 3, Gray; vhc, Reynolds. A.O. Brit. (3): 1, Carter; 2, Robinson; 3, Hearfield. Points: Foster 32, Jeffries 28, Robinson 23, Carter 22, Stephenson 19, Gray 14, Hearfield 10, Stothard 7, Heslop 6, Cooper 5, Blackbourn 4, Reynolds 3, Gale 3, Cook 1.—F. Stothard, Sec.

SHETTLESTON, CARNTYNE C.B.S

First annual F.F. show, Houston's Cafe, July 3. Mr. R. Livingston judged, and had his work cut out to separate some very promising youngsters in well filled classes, but his awards gave general satisfaction. Nor. ck. (7): 1, 2, Rice; 3, Irvine; 4, Small. Hen (9): 1, 2, 3, Rice; 4, Irvine. Yorks. (2): 1, 2, Black. Crest or C.B. (3): 1, 2, Irvine; 3, Thomas. Yell. Ck. Bord. (11): 1, Hartley; 2, 4, Irvine; 3, Moir. Hen (18): 1, 3, Hartley; 2, Mackay; 4, Irvine. Buff Ck. (10): 1, 2, 3, 4, Mackay. Hen (17): 1, 2, 3, Mackay; 4, Hartley. After the judging a splendid tea was provided for members and friends, by one of our generous members. Medals for most entries were presented to Mr. J. Mackay and Mr. Rice, by Mr. Livingstone, who congratulated them. Mr. Hartley was toasted on his successful debut as a novice. Votes of thanks to the judge-chairman closed one of the most successful shows in this district.—J. Irvine, Sec.

LINCOLN C.B.S.

Seventh annual show, Central Hall, July 3. There was a good entry, considering the season, some 86 exhibits being on view. Norwich were down in number, but Yorks. came up strong; there were some in both varieties which should do well for their owners after the moult. Mr. Brotherton, Rotherham, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Nor. yell.: 1, sp., 3, Jos. Cordwell; 2, Newton; 4, Walker. Buff: 1 sp., 3, Newton; 2, Walker; 4, vhc, Jos. Cordwell. Yorks., Yell.: 1, sp., Walker; 2, 4, Spurr; 3, vhc, Pleasance; he, Kaye; c, Harris. Buff: 1, sp., Harrison; 2, Jos. Cordwell; 3, Spurr; 4, Harris; vhc, Walker. Mkd.: 1, sp., c, Walker; 2, Willerton; 3, Spurr; 4, he, Pleasance; vhc, Kaye. A.O.V. Can.: 1, sp., Walker; 2, 3, 4, Newton. Mule: 1, sp. 2, 3, Sisson. Goldf.: 1, sp., Pleasance; 2, Spurr; 3, c, Pinchbeck Bros.; 4, Newton; vhc, Hewson; he, Baines. Bullf.: 1, sp., Jas. Cordwell; 2, Hewson; 3, Baines. Linnet: 1, sp., 2, Sisson; 3, Jas. Cordwell; 4, Dobson; vhc, Pinchbeck Bros.; he, Newton; c, Baines. A.O. Brit.: 1, sp., Hewson; 2, Toyne; 3, Pleasance; 4, c, Sisson; vhc, Baines; he, Jas. Cordwell. For.: 1, sp., 3, he, c, Baines; 2, Mrs. Cordwell; 4, vhc, Toyne.—R. W. Sisson.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 3, St. Wilfrid's Hall, Blandford Street, by kind permission of Rev. B. Taylor. Entries were a bit less than last year, owing to many members being engaged in making munitions of war. Mr. R. Tindale judged Nor., Brit., and For.; Mr. W. Espie, Bord.; and Mr. J. Maddison, Yorks. Secretarial duties were carried out by Mr. J. W. Reed.

Nor. Cl. Yell.: 1, Walshaw; 2, Bird; 3, Lyst. Buff: 1, Bird. Yell., A.O.V.: 1, Bird; 2, 3, Page. Buff: 1, Hall; 2, Bird; 3 Walshaw; 4, vhc, he, Lyst. Yorks. Cl. Yell.: 1, Crawhall; 2, 4, Tindale; 3, Studholme; vhc, Walshaw. Buff: 1, Tindale; 2, Crawhall; 3, W. Studholme; 4, R. Studholme. Yell., A.O.V.: 1, Crawhall; 2, W. Studholme. Buff: 1, Tindale; 2, Crawhall; 3, W. Studholme; 4, R. Studholme. Bord. Cl. Yell.: 1, Johnston. Buff: 1, Johnston; 2, Walshaw; 3, Reed. Yell. Tkd., etc.: 1, 2, 3, Smith and Son. Buff: 1, Johnston; 2, Smith and Son. Green: 1, Smith and Son. Cinn.: 1, Smith and Son. Goldf., etc.: 1, Maddison; 2, Christie; 3, Hooper. Linnet: 1, 2, Maddison. Siskin, etc.: 1, 2, Hooper. A.O. Hardbill: 1, Hooper. For., Seed eater, Small: 1, Christie. Challenge cup for Can., Mr. J. Hall, Green Nor.; best British or foreign, Mr. J. Maddison, Linnet.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

TREDEGAR C.B.S.

N.F. Show, Tredegar Arms Hotel, July 3. Owing to poor first round, only 9 members exhibited, but succeeded in staging 38 birds. Quality was excellent, and with a good moult, several of the exhibits should be heard of in the future. Mr. G. Hale judged and gave general satisfaction. Champ. Cl. Yell.: 1, 2, Watkins. Mkd.: 1, Watkins; 2, 3, Bevan. Cl. Buff; 1, 2, Watkins; 3, Bevan. Mkd.: 1, 3, Watkins; 2, 4, Bevan. Nov., Cl. Yell.: 1, vhc, Griffiths; 2, Thomas; 3, Harris; 4, Bennett; he, Morgan. Mkd.: 1, 2, Thomas; 3, Llewellyn; 4, Griffiths; vhc, Harding; he, Bennett. Cl. Buff: 1, Harris; 2, 3, he, Harding; 4, Thomas; vhc, Llewellyn; c, Bennett. Mkd.: 1, he, Griffiths; 2, Harding; 3, 4, Llewellyn; vhc, Thomas.—W. B. Watkins, Hon. Sec.

PLYMOUTH W.C.O.S.

Second N.F. show, June 30, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley Street, 49 birds staged. Yorks were 11 in two classes, the gem of the collection being Mr. W. Luscombe's winning yellow. In Norwich Mr. Sleep's and Mr. A. B. Brown's leading birds were greatly admired. In Crest and C.B. Mr. J. Bavage and Mr. W. Hitchings had some splendid birds teeming in quality, and these should be heard of again. Some very fine British were exhibited. Judges: Yorks., Cinn., and A.O.V., Mr. Olver; Nor. and Crests, Mr. Rowe; Brit., and For., Mr. Smale.

Yell. Yorks.: 1, 4, Luscombe; 2, 3, 6, Craven; 5, Hambly. Buff: 1, 3, 5, Craven; 2, 4, Luscombe. Yell. Nor.: 1, Sleep; 2, 5, Ough; 3, Brown; 4, Hambly. Buff: 1, 7, Brown; 2, 4, Ough; 3, Deakin; 5, 6, Pope. Crests: 1, 2, Bavage. C.B.: 1, 2, Hutchings. Cinn.: 1, 2, Brown. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Rowe. Light Mule: 1, Hambly. Dark: 1, 3, Wills; 2, 4, Hambly. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, 2, Hambly; 3, Large. Linnet, etc.: 1, Large; 2, Hambly. A.O. Seedeater: 1, 2, Large. For.: 1, 2, 3, Hutchings.—W. Luscombe, Hon. Sec.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.

Second N.F. show, Liberal Club, July 3. 28 members put down 102 birds. Some fine young birds were shown, which are sure to be heard of in the coming show season. Mr. A. Lawford, Huddersfield, judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

Open Cl. Yell. (10): 1, Radley; 2, Fisher and Dyson; 3, Wadsworth; 4, vhc, Hellewell; he, Hutchinson; c, Jobson. Buff (8): 1, Hirst; 2, vhc, Jobson; 3, 4, A. Radley; he, Peel; c, Hirst. Tkd. Yell. (12): 1, 2, F. Taylor; 3, 4, Peel; vhc, Fisher and Dyson; he, Jobson; c, Wadsworth. Buff (12): 1, A. Radley; 2, 3, F. Taylor; 4, Wadsworth; vhc, Radley; he, Fisher and Dyson; c, Hirst. Nov. Cl. Yell. (11): 1, Morley; 2, H. Lodge; 3, Roberts and Radley; 4, F. Radley; vhc, A. Taylor; he, c, Beaumont. Buff (14): 1, 4, he, W. Lodge; 2, A. Taylor; 3, Shaw; vhc, Bower; c, Fisher. Tkd. Yell. (13): 1, 2, H. Lodge; 3, G. Bower; 4, A. Taylor; vhc, W. Lodge; he, Fisher; c, Shaw. Buff (12): 1, 2, H. Lodge; 3, Morley; 4, Fisher; vhc, W. Lodge; he, Beaumont; c, A. Taylor. Mkd., both sections (10): 1, Jobson; 2, A. Radley; 3, Peel; 4, J. Radley; vhc, Heeley; he, J. Bower; c, Fisher.—W. Everett, Sec.

PELTON FELL C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 3. 50 birds staged. Mr. W. Forster won special best young bird. The ten-year-old son of Mr. I. Redpath showed a green C.B. for his father, who is away serving his King and country, and won 1st prize. R. W. Boyd won special best British, with a grand Goldfinch. The annual show is fixed for Nov. 20. Mr. J. Stanger gave 2s. 6d. for best young bird, and 2s. 6d. for best Brit. Mr. R. Rowell, Bebside, judged. Nor. Yell.: 1, Coates. Buff: 1, Stanger; 2, Bails; 3, Briggs. Yorks. Yell.: 1, 2, Stanger; 3, Ward. Buff: 1, vhc, Stanger; 2, Cresswell; 3, Ward. Bord. Yell.: 1, Briggs; 2, Stanger; 3, vhc, Bates; he, Bails. Buff: 1, vhc, Bates; 2, Bails; 3, Stanger; he, Briggs. Cinn.: 1, Coates. Crest: 1, Forster; 2, Coates; 3, vhc, Stanger; a good class. C.B.: 1, Redpath; 2, Forster; 3, Stanger. Mule: 1, 2, Boyd. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Boyd; 2, Elliott. Greenf.: 1, Boyd; 2, McDonald; 3, Forster; vhc, Boyd. Linnet: 1, Boyd; 2, Cresswell; 3, McDonald; vhc, Forster. Bunting: 1, Boyd. A.O. Hardbill: 1, Bails. Redpoll, etc.: 1, Stanger; 2, Cresswell; 3, Elliott; vhc, Ward. For.: 1, Cresswell; 2, McDonald.—J. Stanger, Sec.

BOWLING B.F.A.

First N.F. show, June 26, Napoleon Hotel, 54 birds were judged by W. A. Cowgill in the unavoidable absence of J. Bailey. Champ.: Clr. or Tkd. Yell. (7): 1, 3, Hodgson; 2, Pacey; 4, Powncll. Clr. Buff (8): 1, 2, Hodgson; 3, Padgett; 4, Pacey. Even, Etc., Yell. Green (9): 1, Hodgson; 2, Hudson; 3, Padgett; 4, Atkinson and Firth. Buff: 1, Padgett; 2, Hudson; 3, Powncll. Yell. Cinn: 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Robinson. Buff: 1, Padgett; 2, 3, L. Hodgson. Nov.—Clr. or Tkd. Yell. (6): 1, Wardman; 2, 4, H. Hodgson; 3, Wood and Mirfield. Buff (6): 1, Crabtree; 2, 4, H. Hodgson; 3, Wardman. Even, Etc., Yell. Green: 1, J. Hodgson; 2, 3, Nicholl. Buff: 1, 2, Nicholl; 3, Crabtree; 4, Wood and Mirfield. Yell. Cinn.: 1, Crabtree; 2, 3, Wood and Mirfield.

Second N.F. Show, Napoleon Hotel, July 3. 53 birds were judged to the satisfaction of all by T. Bennett, Lidget Green. Cham. Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, 3, Pacey; 2, Hodgson; 4, Atkinson and Firth. Buff: 1, 2, Hodgson; 3, 4, Padgett. Even, Etc., Yell. Gr. (8): 1, 2, Padgett; 3, Atkinson and Firth; 4, Hodgson. Buff (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, Padgett. Buff Cin.: 1, Hodgson; 2, Atkinson and Firth. Clr. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Wardman; 2, H. Hodgson; 3, J. Hodgson; 4, Wood and Mirfield. Buff: 1, Wood and Mirfield; 2, Crabtree; 3, J. Hodgson; 4, H. Hodgson. Even, Etc., Yell. Green: 1, 2, Nicholl; 3, J. Hodgson. Buff: 1, 2, Nicholl; 3, Crabtree; 4, J. Hodgson. Yell. Cinn.: 1, Wardman; 2, 3, Crabtree. Points for Green Mkd. special: Padgett 39, L. Hodgson 13, Hudson 17, Nicholl 22, J. G. Hodgson 5, Atkinson and Firth 9.—J. Nicholl, Sec.

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THE SHOWS.

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QUEEN'S PARK (Glasgow) C.B.L.

F.F. show, 3rd July. There was a good entry and some splendid birds were staged. Mr. R. B. Cairns won spl. best bird in hall, and spl. 2nd best, both in Norwich section. Nor., Cl. or Tkd. Yellow (5): 1, sp., Cairns; 2, Fulton; 3, Percy; 4, Fulton; v.h.c. Knox. Buff (11): 1, sp, Cairns; 2, Fulton; 3, Foreman; 4, vhc, Hamilton; vhc, Naismith; c, Knox Var. or Green Yell. (6): 1, 2, 4, 3 spls, Cairns; 3, spl, Hunter; vhc, Ross; hc, Fulton. Buff (6): 1, sp, Hunter; 2, Cairns; 3, Hardie; 4, Ross; vhc, Hamilton; hc, Fulton. Bord., Cl., etc., Yell. (2): Buff (2); all Knox. Yorks, Yell. (3): 1, spl, 3, Steel; 2, Ross. Buff (4): 1, spl, 3, Ross; 2, spl, 4, Steel. Mr. F. Taylor (Glasgow) judged and gave entire satisfaction.—E. Holliday, Sec.

COVENTRY O.S.

39th annual young stock show, headquarters, Sydenham Palace Hotel, Ford Street. Owing to so many members serving the country, the entry was much below previous years; there were, however, some good exhibits, particularly in Norwich. Mr. G. Hall, Leamington, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Nor. Cl. Yell.: 1, 2, Dickinson, good feather, nice col, and cond.; 3, Turrall, nice type, good wing ear., looks like a hen; vhc, hc, c, Lawrance. Buff: 1, Judd, good type, nice size and col.; 2, vhc, Turrall, good col. and qual., trifle long; 3, Lawrance, nice type and cond.; hc, Rowley. Tkd., etc., Yell.: 1, vhc, Dickinson, tkd. head, nice type, good wing ear., small but pretty; 2, Gilbert, var. wing mkd., good col. and qual.; 3, Roberts, tkd. eye, nice even col., lovely feather. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Judd, grand youngsters, 1, eye and wing mkd., large bird, good type and col., 2, nice feather, more chubby, we preferred 3, cap mkd., nice shape; vhc, Dickinson. Yorks.: 1, 2, Rowley, good length, nice wings and tail. Crest: 1, Peters, dark Crest, mkd., one wing, nice veiny feather; 2, Rowley, grey Crest. C.B.: 1, Peters, cl., nice feather, fair size. Cinn.: 1, Gilbert. Yorks., A.O.V.: 1, Rowley, Green Yorks.; 2, Gilbert, Green Nor. Mule, A.V.: 1, 2, Peters, Redpoll-Can., Goldf. Can.; 3, Dickinson. Greenf.-Can. Any Age Nor.: 1, 2, Kent, Buff varieg. and tkd. yell., typical birds. Hen: 1, Turrall, nice type cap and wing mkd. buff. Crest or C.B.: 1, Gilbert, Green Crest. A.O.V.: 1, Gilbert, Cinn. Crest; 2, Rowley, Green Yorks. Mule or Hyb.: 1, Gilbert, nearly clear; 2, Roberts, dark Goldf.-Can. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Turrall, Goldf., good face, nice size; 2, Green, Goldf. Brit. small: 1, Gilbert, nicely mkd. Yellowhammer: 2, Green, Greenf. Large: 1, Gilbert, good Hawfinch.

(Several Reports are unavoidably held over.)

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

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Abertillery C.B.S.—July 14, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6.30. To receive entries, etc., for F.F. show, July 17.—H. H. Mortimer.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—July 14, Station Cafe, 8.30. Experiences of the season to date. Opened by Mr. Hallworth.—C. Bailey.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—July 10, Miners' Theatre, Ashington, 7.30. Special business and subs.—C. G. Tapson.

Bradford National Show Committee.—July 14, Cinderella Club Rooms, Lee Street, Thornton Road, 8. Report of the sub-committee, and other important business.—S. Midgley.

Barry F. and F.S.—July 10, Headquarters, 7.30. Mr. E. Grant has been elected on committee.—H. P. Thomas.

Beamish C.B.S.—July 10, Bird Inn, 7. Schedule for annual show and other business; new members; all are welcome to join.—J. H. Elliot.

Birmingham South O.S.—July 14, Marlboro' Hotel, Small Heath, 8.30. Report of young bird show. Arrangements for second show.—J. Sheppard.

Burnhope C.B.S.—July 10, Wardles, Bridge Inn, Moimside. Table show; judge, Mr. W. Forster, Pelton Fell; staged at 5. Young birds, Nor., Yorks., Bord., A.O.V. Can.; Old Birds ditto, Linnet, Redpoll, A.O. Hardbill, Softbill, Mule or Hyb. Mr. Crosert will give special for most points.—J. W. Rohson.

Bolton Roller C.S.—July 13, Joiners' Arms, 8. General business.—Jos. Kilshaw.

Bradford West C.B.A.—July 10, Shoulder of Mutton, 7. Open show and other business.—F. P. Terry.

City of Bradford O.S.—July 10, Flying Dutchman, 6.30. Classification for open show, election of stewards for members' show, July 17.—W. Hellewell.

Cambois C.B.S.—July 14, Institute, Cambois, 7.30. Important business; new members heartily invited. —G. Hutchinson.

Choppington (Scotland Gate) C.B.S.—July 10, Social Club, 6.30. Subs.: fanciers invited.—H. Seely.

Cheltenham C.B.S.—July 10, Lamb Hotel, 4. F.F. show.—A. S. Treasure.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—July 14, Alexandra Hotel, Penge. Private entrance. First Feather and Finch show. Staging at 6. Judge, Mr. J. Robson.—W. D. Fryett.

Cardiff C.B.S.—July 15, Maskell's Cafe, 8. Payment of prize money won at Y.B. show, also other important business.—E. Thomas.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—July 12, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, W., 8. Discussion on the duty and obligations incumbent upon members to their association. Payment of prize money, and presentation of special prizes.—V. Wynn.

Doncaster C.B.S.—July 17, Druids' Arms, Bentley, 7. General bus., 2nd N.F. show, same classification and regulations. Staged 2.30.—G. Hunt.

Denton C.B.S.—July 13, Silver Springs, 8. Half-year's subs. Appointment of treas.; any other bus. —A. Wright.

East Ardsley.—July 10, Black Swan. Members' show; staged 3 o'clock. Judge, Mr. S. Wilcock.—A. Walton.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—July 14. N.F. show. Mr. S. White, Southampton, judge.—J. Alderslade.

East Ham F.S.—July 15, Earl of Wakefield. 8. Half-yearly balance-sheet, report, etc.—W. A. Harwood.

Guisboro' Priory C.B.S.—July 10, Schoolrooms, Charltons Terrace, 4. 2nd young stock show, same classes as last show. Mr. A. Wake, Middlesbro', judge. All fanciers invited.—A. W. Knaggs.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—July 12, headquarters, Amethyst Club, 8.30. Re young stock show.—R. W. Ford, jun.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—July 10, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Important.—G. Vipond.

Halifax O.S.—July 10, 1.50. Ramble to Harden and district. Train leaves Halifax old station, G.N.R., 1.50. Book to Wilsden. Friends invited.—H. Clegg.

Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—July 10, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill, London, N. Young bird show, 2 till 9.30. Judge, Mr. G. Gardner.—J. Hyde.

Ilkeston C.B.S.—July 10, Derby Arms, Cotmanhay Road, 7. Paying in of ticket money, and other important business.—G. Siddown.

Islington F.A.—July 12, 8.30. Classification and final arrangements for summer show, headquarters, July 17. Judge, Mr. E. W. Mead. Open at 2; admission 3d.—W. A. Bibb.

Kirkby-in-Ashfield F.A.—July 10, Liberal Institute, 4.30. Passing of rules set up by sub-committee.—Ward and Sharles.

Laisterdyke and Dis. B.F.A.—July 10, Railway Hotel, 2.30. 2nd F.F. show. Judge, J. Horsfield. Entries Friday night, or first post Sat.—W. H. Symes.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—July 10, Sawley Road Schools. Annual F.F. show. Judge, Mr. C. Rodgers. Birds entered by 6. Judging 6.30.—G. Baines.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—July 15, Kelvedon Hall, Walham Green, 8. Discussion on staging of young birds and general business relating to young bird show. Members who have money due to them please attend.—H. F. Bowring.

Openshaw Gorton C.B.S.—Wednesday, Clubroom, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Openhaw, 8.30. Gen. bus., election of new members, schedules ready for second nest show. Judge, A. G. Davis.—A. W. Newton. (Date not filled in.—Ed.)

Runcorn B.B.A.—July 15, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Table show. Judge, C. Boots.—E. Roue.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—July 10, Wharf Hotel. N.F. show, staged at 3. Judge, Mr. J. E. Priestley, Halifax.—G. Mitchell.

Swansea C.B.A.—July 10, Mansel Hotel, 7.30. Final arrangements for young bird show. Schedules will be distributed.—Rees and Hitchings.

Tong C.B.S.—July 13, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.30. Don't forget members' show, July 17, staged at 3. Judge, Mr. W. Stables, Bradford.—W. Walker.

Wanstead F. and F.S.—July 15, Cambridge Park Hall, Wanstead, 8. General meeting and show.—H. S. Lofthouse.

Windhill C.B.S.—July 17, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' show. Judge, Mr. J. E. Priestley, Halifax. Silver cup for best novice bird. Entries Friday night, 7 to 9. Subs. due.—J. Taylor.

Wallsend, Mid-Tyne.—July 14, Station Hotel, 7. Important business for N.F. show. Election of stewards, doorkeepers, and show manager.—G. Greenwell.

Wigan Roller Club.—July 10, Legs of Man Hotel, 6.30. Club business and proposed drive.—P. Greenall.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—July 13, Dartmouth Hotel, 7.30. N.F. show, last of series for shield; free.—W. G. Andrews.

Yorks C.B.S.—July 12, All Saints' School, 8. To decide whether we hold an open show this year.—V. G. F. Zimmermann.

Questions and Answers.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

MISS PRATT & E.V.—Replied to by post.

FOR THE YOUNG (F. H. P.).—(1) Two each are as many birds as the cages will safely accommodate. With strict attention to cleanliness you might at pinch, fo a short time, keep three in each, but two should be considered the full capacity. (2) Continue giving a little egg or soft food daily until the birds are two months old—only a small quantity, say, a large tea-spoonful to every four birds, need be given. After this age give a small teaspoonful to each bird twice a week. If colour feeding, you may, of course, have to start giving soft food daily for the colour food by the time the birds are two months old, in which case you would have to rather increase the quantity given daily instead of giving it only casually. Then you would have to wait till the end of the moult before reducing the frequency.

NO USE IN LEGS (Frank).—I should suspect that the toes are deformed, but this is the merest guess at hazard, as you give absolutely no clue to found an opinion upon. You had better write again and give as many particulars as you can about the bird's condition, and the appearance of the feet and toes. Meantime, if the hind toes are turned forward underneath the centre of the feet, you should see that it has good-sized perches, of a flattened oval shape on top, and that they are securely fixed, and put on small rubber rings, until you get a further reply. You can make the rings by cutting rather less than an eighth of an inch off the end of the tubing used on babies' feeding bottles. To put them on, catch the bird and hold the three front toes all together, put the ring over them, and pass it on up the leg, holding the hind toe back against the leg, until nearly as far as the end of the hind toe. Leave it there, and let the bird wear it for a week or two, or until you get a more definite reply.

YOUNG DYING (P.W.).—I am inclined to think that the losses are due to dietetic troubles, though if they do not quickly disappear after adopting the following treatment I should advise you to send a body to our Mr. Yates for post-mortem in order to ascertain whether there is any bacillary disease. See rules under heading "Post-Mortems." Try the following treatment, and report result in a month or so. First of all see that all your foods and seeds, particularly hemp, are quite sound and sweet. Hemp is most to be suspected. Crush a little of this, and reject it if it has not a sweet, milky-white kernel. When the young are removed from their parents, give an unlimited supply of plain canary seed in the seed box, and place on top of it each morning a teaspoonful of dry summer rape for each brood of four birds. In addition give a heaped teaspoonful of egg-food, mixed rather on the dry side, for each three birds each morning, and sprinkle this with maw seed. In the afternoon throw out any soft food that is left, wash out the vessels, and give the same quantity as in the morning of a mixture of equal parts cracked hemp and broken groats. After the first week the quantity of soft food may be gradually diminished, and add equal proportions of white millet, niger, and teazle to the afternoon supply of seeds. The seed mixture in the afternoon may also be substituted occasionally by way of making variety, with a similar quantity of boiled rape, and the soft food in the morning with a similar quantity of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar. After the first few days give a few seed heads of shepherd's purse, mouse-ear, or half ripe plantain stalks every day or two, and keep the cages strewn well with clean gritty sand. A piece of cuttlefish in the wires for birds to peck at any time is also useful in keeping birds in good condition. Keep a regular supply of pure, plain water in the cages, and offer the bath two or three times a week. Should the birds begin to go soft under this treatment, at once give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea in the water for two or three consecutive days, and after this give six drops of dilute sulphuric acid and four of tincture of gentian for a few days.

CANNOT STAND (Miss E. P. H.).—Sorry, but I'm afraid you can do nothing further for the bird. The cause of its trouble is evidently a deep-seated one, possibly paralysis of a nerve centre. You may try the following treatment for three or four weeks and note result, but, honestly, I am not very sanguine as to the results. Give it rather thick perches with a flattened oval shape on top, so that it can stand on them with the minimum of effort, and see that they are securely fixed. Give a fair amount of green food, or half-ripened seed heads, in variety, daily, and if it is not in an overfat condition, give a morsel of bread and milk on which you have dropped two drops of lacto-phosphate of lime and iron and sprinkled with maw seed every second day. Also get a chemist to mix you one ounce dilute sulphuric acid, half-ounce tincture of gentian, and one drachm of tincture of nux vomica, and add 20 drops of this to the drinking water every second day, alternating it with the bread and milk, if that is given. You may try bathing the feet in a cold solution of witch hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of cold water—for a few minutes every third day, then dry, and gently rub on a drop of some stimulating lotion liniment, such as Elliman's.

TOO ATTENTIVE (A. J., Cricklewood).—(1) I think, perhaps, you may be devoting a little too much attention to your birds, which is, at least, partly the cause of your trouble. Unless you were actually rearing young birds by hand without any assistance at all from the parents, there is no necessity at all for feeding them every hour. Such frequent attention is apt to defeat its own object by making the hens nervous and restless; fresh food three or four times a day is ample. When the next broods hatch, leave in the cage an unlimited supply of canary seed. Commence giving a little crisp young green food on the fourth day, and from that time give a small quantity freshly gathered each morning and afternoon. When the young are about a week or ten days old you may add a little soaked rape or a small quantity of cracked hemp each day if the hen seems to slack in feeding, and also offer a bath in which you have dissolved a little common salt at any time that she seems to fag in her duties. Do not interfere with her more than is absolutely necessary, and with these few hints I think you will find things go more smoothly next time. (2) It is certainly not wise to breed with the wheezy bird. It is only building up trouble for yourself in the future. Cage him alone as soon as you can spare him from the hen. In the water every second day for a week give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and after that treat the same as advised to "L.G.," issue of June 26, but omit the bread and milk. (3) Chew a pinch of the canary seed to see if it is musty, and if so, change it for a better sample. If seed is sound and sweet give the bird first the aperient mixture advised for No. 2 for a week; add a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar to its diet every second day for a fortnight, and follow up the aperient with four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

A YOUNG GLUTTON (Bluebird Coop).—The bird is suffering from digestive derangements, most likely from being put on a diet solely of dry seeds too early. Treat as follows, and if not too far gone it should soon be all right again. Keep a regular supply of plain canary seed in the cage and place on top of it a pinch of summer rape each morning. Each morning for the next fortnight give half a teaspoonful of egg food, or an equivalent quantity of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar. In the afternoon throw out any soft food that may be left and give in its place half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Give a spray of seedy chickweed, or a few seed heads of shepherd's purse or plantain. In each two tablespoonfuls of drinking water add ten drops of lemon juice and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea for three consecutive days, and afterwards give instead six drops of dilute sulphuric acid and four of tincture of gentian every second day for a week.

STOPPED SINGING (R. R.).—There can be no doubt that the bird's condition is chiefly due to the violent fluctuations of temperature to which it would be exposed whilst hanging in the window. It is now moulting, and will probably complete its full moult before it resumes singing. Meantime, keep it well away from the window, in a bright, healthy position, where it will not be exposed to direct draughts, rapid extremes of temperature, or fumes of burning lights. In addition to the staple of plain canary, give half a teaspoonful of egg food, or the equivalent in bread and milk, and in either case drop on it two drops of cod liver oil emulsion. Give this every second day for a fortnight, and after that twice a week without the oil for the rest of the moulting period. Give also every third day half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats, and give a morsel of green food, or some half-ripened seed heads daily. In the drinking water add ten drops of lemon juice and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence for three days, and after this five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight.

ROLLER AND YORKSHIRE (Roller).—(1) You can only improve a little upon the treatment you have commenced by adding to the dietary a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats twice a week, and give a little green food of half-ripened seed heads in variety daily. Continue giving the sulphur and potash on alternate days for three or four weeks, and then miss each alternate week until the moult is nearly over, when you may drop it altogether. Towards the end of the moult, during the weeks you omit the sulphur, etc., add 20 drops of chemical food to the water every second day. Keep the bird in a bright and healthy place, free from direct draughts or rapid extremes of temperature, and allow it to bathe freely as long as the weather remains warm. It is not at all likely to sing until the moult is quite finished, and it is worse than useless to attempt to go on breeding with it any more this season. (2) I am afraid the Yorkshire cock will be no use for immediate breeding, and I very much doubt the wisdom of attempting to use him for breeding until the squeakiness has quite disappeared. You should treat him the same as advised to "R.R." in this issue for a fortnight, or longer if necessary.

A THIRSTY SUBJECT (N. B.).—Certainly it is not necessary to destroy the bird. The following treatment should soon set matters right. Offer a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition to this, give separately half a teaspoonful of scalded rape and a morsel of banana every second day, and on the alternate days give a piece of bread the size of a large hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, then dusted with carbonate of bismuth and finally sprinkled with raw seed. On these days also give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, and broken groats. See that the hemp is quite sound in the kernel. In the drinking water add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid and four of tincture of opium daily until the droppings assume a normal consistency. Then give instead four drops each of tincture of gentian, tinct. of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a week. Withhold all green food until the bird returns to a normal condition.

SITS HUDDLED UP (W. D. F.).—The staple diet you are giving with linseed is not a suitable one for regular use. You should also make yourself quite sure that the situation between the window and fireplace is not in the way of direct draughts. Cage this bird alone for a week or two. Keep it in a comfortable place, but not overheated. Give a staple of plain canary only, and in addition give separately ever second day half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a morsel of bread and milk, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar. On these days also give a spray of watercress. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet and broken groats. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and afterwards give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

A TRIO (C. Hutchings).—(1) Coarse scales on the legs and feet are the natural consequences of age, and I suspect this is all that is wrong with your bird, and is also the explanation of its prolonged silence. Many old birds in the best of health do not resume singing until the opening of a new year, or even the approach of spring. You may give it half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every third day for a fortnight, and add to the drinking water ten drops of glycerine and ten of lemon juice about as often for the same length of time. This will help to bring out its song. (2) The best average size of perch is just such a thickness that the bird's claws, when the bird is standing on it, do not quite completely encircle it, the tips of the middle front claw and the hind claw being separated by, say, an eighth to a quarter of an inch of space. This is best decided by observation, as the larger varieties of Canaries will require rather thicker perches than the smaller breeds. In aviaries and large cages having several perches, some should be made a little thinner and others a little thicker than this average. (3) A Sib. hen is one that is the product of in-breeding for several generations, that is, birds more or less closely related to each other are mated together year after year to produce Sib-bred birds. This is the usual way of producing a strain of light muling Canaries.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1½); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BULLFINCH-GREENFINCH HYBRIDS (Elgin).—You are quite right about the rarity of the cross. The cock Bullfinch is not considered to be a successful breeder while in captivity, but he is not absolutely hopeless. The great difficulty is in securing fertile eggs—not in getting him to mate. I am doubtful if the young will have any extra value on account of the way they are bred, although, as most breeders contend that the cock bird influences the colour of the young, it will be interesting to see if yours are superior in that respect to others bred in the usual manner, i.e., between the cock Greenfinch and hen Bullfinch. I hope you will successfully moult them and exhibit at the winter shows. The chief points in a good specimen are size, richness of colour, and generally bold appearance, with large full head and neck, good quality of feather, and high condition.

HYBRID BREEDING IN AN AVIARY (Novice).—You will not be able to do anything in the breeding way with your birds until next season, so your best plan will be to make your purchases in the autumn and keep them in cages until you are ready with your aviary. The month of October is frequently one of the best of the year, and should we be fortunate in the weather, it would not be too late to turn the birds in. The few weeks they would have in cages would be beneficial, for it would allow you time to get them a bit steady, and really wild birds in an aviary are quite as objectionable as they are in cages. You do not give me any dimensions, so I am unable to advise you as to the number of birds you could do with, but anyway, do not overcrowd. (2) The British bird and Canary crosses are the easiest to produce, but I gather from your letter that it is the British bird crosses you would like to try for. Of these you could possibly manage Linnet-Greenfinch, Goldfinch-Greenfinch, and Goldfinch-Bullfinch. The usual method is to put the eggs under reliable Canary hens to hatch and rear the young Hybrids, although occasionally the British bird hens will do this themselves. If you are interested and intend going in for Hybrid production, I would advise you to get one of our books on the subject; it would assist you immensely.

BREEDING GOLDFINCHES IN AVIARY (T. L. Hill).—Yes, there is a possibility of your young Finches being reared. I have bred them myself in an aviary with several pairs of Canaries in it. In addition to the food you are giving them now, add hard-boiled egg, mixed with stale sponge cake and powdered biscuit, or half its bulk of good insectile food, making it just slightly crumbly moist. You must be particularly liberal with wild food. Gather good big bunches of all kinds, including plenty of seeding grass, and fix these up for the old birds. Green fly should be freely given. These you will find on weeds growing along the hedgerows, or under trees; gather them carefully, and put in; the old birds will soon strip them, and they are splendid food for the babies. An occasional small pottul of soaked or germinated seeds will be much appreciated. (2) Why not add the Buntings to your collection? They are brightly coloured, and most interesting birds, and some of them are constant singers. You could obtain these later on and steady them down a bit before turning in with the other birds.

SNIPE AND LANDRAILS FOR AN AVIARY (R. Williams).—Snipe and Landrails would both be most difficult birds to obtain, and in the case of the Snipe I certainly think it would be necessary to handrear. Their method of feeding is totally different to other birds (excepting, perhaps, the Woodcock), and I do not think it would be possible to meet them off. It is a bird of the marshes, and feeds exclusively on worms, slugs, and insects, and in attempting to hand rear you would have to supply a good quantity of these. With Landrails, it is different; they are much more general in their feeding, and include seeds and vegetable matter with insects of all kinds. I do not anticipate you would have much difficulty in meating off young birds. For hand-rearing, hard-boiled egg, stale sponge cake, and insectile food make a good mixture. (2) I know where several of the Waders are kept together in an aviary, but the Landrail is rather pugnacious with its own kind, and I fear you would have trouble with it in a mixed collection.

BRITISH BIRDS' TROUBLES (F. W. Ware).—As you say, keeping British birds in health and condition in the city is not an easy accomplishment. One of the chief difficulties is no doubt the trouble to get suitable green food, and wild plants in season. The best way to get over this is to supply soaked seeds, and also some that have commenced to germinate. If you damp teazle and rape and keep in a warm place, the seed soon begins to sprout. Start a little two or three times a week, so as to keep up the supply. You will find this to be excellent food for them. If you suspect indigestion or bowel trouble, there is nothing to equal a dusting of bismuth on a cube of bread dipped in hot milk. I notice in mentioning your Finches in order, each is troubled with baldness, and this may arise from feeding troubles or insects. Before making any drastic alterations in your feeding, thoroughly examine the birds for these pests. Catch the sufferer and hold for a minute or so in the hand; turn the feathers up round the thighs and under the wings, and if insects are present you will probably see them running over the hand. If you have only two or three birds you will no doubt get rid of them by hand washing, repeating in about 3 days later, and putting the birds in thoroughly clean cages—cages that have been scrubbed and disinfected. While they are in these, treat the aviary in the same manner. Not a single insect must be left behind, or you will soon have the trouble over again. Feeding as you do, that is, mostly on a seed diet, I would advise you to occasionally give your birds an aperient of Epsom or Glauber Salts. Had you done this, it is probably you may have saved the Siskin and others. (2) As regards canary seed, I have used it liberally all my life for my birds, and have never traced any trouble to its use, excepting once or twice when it has been of inferior quality and badly stored. (3) You cannot do better than treat your Bramblefinch in practically the same manner as advised for your Chaffinch. (4) You should have no trouble in removing your birds from your present dwelling; the best way is to put them all in a couple of cages and take them with you.

BULLFINCH HEN NOT LAYING (W. G. Smithson).—It is rather unusual for a Bullfinch hen to refuse green food, but anyway, you should gather seeding wild food and give a fresh bundle daily; she is sure to peek it over. Take some of the unripe seeds and insects lurking among the spray, and these will assist, so also will a good spoonful of wild seed mixture. Many Bullfinch hens do not think of nesting until late in the season, and there is plenty of time yet, the only way is to keep her well supplied, on no account neglect her; she may commence any day now.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

SICK COCKATEEL, ETC. (F. J. H.).—You should give the Cockateel a little longer trial. If you can catch or have him caught without distressing him too much, give him daily a little cod liver oil, about six drops, from the end of a piece of wood, or by brushing the inside of his beak and tongue with a camel-hair brush that has been dipped in the oil. Also bathe the foot in hot water (as hot as you can comfortably bear your hand in), dry with a soft cloth and then paint with neat whiskey. Pleased to hear the Cardinal is improving; continue the treatment till it is fit again. The kindest, quickest and least painful manner to destroy a bird or birds is to put them in an air-tight box containing a chloroform pad, the quantity of the latter would depend on size of box, etc.; your chemist would tell you this if you supplied him with the particulars. But please do not destroy them if you have time to communicate with me. I will with pleasure arrange for their distribution to suitable houses by return of post, if what you fear should occur, which I certainly hope will not be the case.

A SHY TALKER (C. A. M.).—I have carefully noted all the points you raise in your explicit letter, and certainly consider that there is a prospect of the bird condescending to display its talents before you, but such will only take place gradually. No royal road can be laid down to bring this about. You had better continue your present methods, as you appear to have made some slight progress. From your letter I gathered that some forms of your attentions were more acceptable than others (the bird must be your teacher in this); work these for all they are worth, but never carry them to the point of boring the bird; learn from the bird's demeanour when to stop, returning to the attack a little later—thus step by step you must win your way. At the same time, in every family possessing a Parrot there is nearly always one member who receives the principal amount of Polly's affection and talent. However, I certainly consider there is a good prospect, if you still further increase your stock of patience, of Polly ultimately proving much more interesting in your presence than it is at present.

FINCHES WITH BUDGERIGARS (H. A.).—I cannot advise you to put the small Finches and Waxbills with Budgerigars; moreover, Grey Singing Finches and Avadavats would escape through ½in. mesh wire-netting. You could keep White and Grey Java Sparrows, or both, and Red-crested Cardinals with your Budgerigars. Or you could keep pairs each of Madagascar, Blue-winged, and Black-cheeked Lovebirds with them. Though nothing happens perhaps for a time, crippled and slaughtered birds are the inevitable result of keeping the "Small Ornamental Finches" and Budgerigars and other Parrakeets together; at any rate, in restricted space. Even if the original pairs of birds put in the aviary did not interfere with the Finches and Waxbills, their progeny would be sure to work mischief.

A GREAT THIRST (Mrs. D. H.).—While the extreme thirst remains, remove the water from the cage and only permit it to have a drink at intervals, and add 5 drops of aromatic sulphuric acid to each ounce of the general drinking water. Also prepare the following: One teaspoonful of condensed milk, the same quantity of cornflour, one-third teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion, two drops of tincture of opium, and sufficient boiling water to bring it to the consistency of ordinary milk; let the bird drink as heartily of this as it pleases two or three times a day. You should not have let so long pass before writing; the cage-tray should be well washed with boiling water, painted over with carbolic acid and then well swilled with cold water, and the voidings should be at once removed and burned. Keep the bird warm and quiet and right out of the way of cool winds and draught. When the thirst yields gradually discontinue the milk preparation.

IDENTITY AND VALUE OF BIRD (E. Simpson).—From your description I make out the bird to be an Orange Bishop or Weaver. Its value at the present time would be about 7s. 6d. Queries are only answered by post according to the rules given at head of "Questions and Answers" columns, to which I must refer you. However, as the stamped addressed envelope did not reach me, you probably have had a reply from the Editor.

GAPING (Pollie).—I do not remember the details of your previous query or my answer, but the bird would be the better for a rather careful dietary. In this war time good and clean seed is none too easy to get. Try the following mixture: One pint shelled monkey-nuts, one quart each hemp, sunflower seed and oats, and half a pint each of giant canary seed and white millet, the whole to be well mixed together. You should be able to procure the above at your corn chandler's. Buy only the best he can supply, or send to one of the large firms advertising in our columns, of course increasing the quantity of each in your order, as the supply will be coming from a distance, and you will have as cheap and wholesome a mixture as you can obtain at the present time—of course, if you can get it to eat more canary and millet seed it will be the better for it. Lightly colour the drinking water with Chemical Food every other day, and keep the bowels well open by an occasional dose of fluid magnesia. As regards your diagram, the position opposite the window by the side of fireplace should be the best position for it, if the window is tight-fitting. Examine the mouth, and if it is at all slimy or furred, spread a little honey and borax over a piece of bread, sponge cake or biscuit, whichever it prefers (or you can put a little direct into the mouth from the end of a small stick). Give this daily till the mouth is well cleansed. If the symptoms become more pronounced, write again at once.

BUDGERIGAR BREEDING (Jay).—(1) Good results have been obtained by both methods, but removing the young as soon as able to fend for themselves should certainly tend to increase the number of young the stock pairs produce, as they are free from any interference by their progeny, which otherwise often materially hinder progress by visiting their parents' nests and other non-malicious mischievousness; therefore, if your convenience permits, two aviaries will be the better plan. (2) A food tray enclosed by a light framing of wood and wire netting, fitted with a drop door, which can be released when the wanted birds are feeding is convenient method of catching individuals. (3) Young birds should take no harm from roosting outdoors at night, at any rate between May and October. Of course, if you have no husks in the open flight, you could always drive in all the birds at sunset and shut them in the shelter for the night during any abnormally severe period. (4) Budgerigar rings were advertised in our columns by Ford, 258, Welford Road, Leicester, specially made to secure what you require; write him for price and particulars. (5) The Madagascar Lovebirds usually agree well with Budgerigars, but a log or small barrel would be a better nesting receptacle for them, as they carry leaves, strips of thin bark, straws, etc., into their receptacle, well lining it with same, and you must supply rubbish of this description. They have been bred many times in captivity, but are not so prolific as Budgerigars. Rudd and others have advertised in CAGE BIRDS small winnowing mills for separating husks from seed; you must get one of these or blow away the husks yourself.

ZEBRA FINCHES FAILING TO REAR (Zebra Finch).—I should suggest supplying the old birds with some live food when they are feeding young, such as live ants' eggs, well scoured maggots, mealworms, and any smooth larvæ, flies, beetles, or spiders your garden supplies, at the same time keeping up a full supply of the items of the ordinary diet. Some pairs at this time are very fond of sponge cake that has been moistened with boiling milk. Millet sprays, too, might help; if you are not in the habit of supplying these do so. Also supply a little of some good make of insectile mixture (soft food), commencing it two or three days before the young are due to hatch. Some pairs are not as good feeders as others, and your trouble may arise solely from this individualism. Should be pleased to hear how you fare with future broods.

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

WHAT BIRD? (Wyburn).—I think your bird is one of the African Siskins, but I fear it is not possible for me to say which, without either a rough colour diagram or seeing the bird. It may possibly be a Serin, but these mostly have the ground colour of upper parts olive-green. Are you acquainted with the Green Singing Finch? If not, it might be that species, but I should call the upper parts olive-green. So far as one can be definite in such a case, I am of the opinion that your bird is a Totta Siskin. The female is browner and duller generally than the male; she has no yellow on the head; her throat is ashy-yellow, spotted with dark brown. If you are ever in London, and call in at the South Kensington Museum, at the bird room they would show you the skins, and you would be able to either confirm or correct the above identification.

GREY PARROT WEAK ON LEGS (G.N.).—Keep the bowels moving quite freely by occasional doses of Dinneford's Magnesia (one teaspoonful in the drinking water); what is required is free movement without undue looseness. If the bird will take a little milksop daily for a time it will help matters. Prepare so: two or three pieces of sponge cake (or biscuit), half a teaspoonful of condensed milk, ten drops of cod-liver oil emulsion, and a tablespoonful or a little more of boiling water; stir together, and when cool supply to the bird. The milk sop is not intended to be a permanent part of the dietary, but as soon as the bird is fit again it must be gradually discontinued. When not giving the magnesia, half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water will be of help. If the bird is tame, and will permit you to handle it, bathe or soak the feet and legs in hot water (not hot enough to cause discomfort), dry with a soft cloth, and then paint with neat whiskey. Report progress about three weeks hence.

RUNNING AT NOSTRIL (E.F.).—Bathe or spray the nostril with dilute glyco-thymoline daily till the running ceases. You give me no details, and it is quite possible that the trouble arises from digestive troubles. Give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia every fourth day for a month at least, in the drinking water, and twice a week put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water, but not on the same day that you give the Magnesia. Do not give any tea, coffee, or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. You would find full details as to dieting and treating in the "Grey Parrot" Nutshell, 2½d., post free from our Manager.

NOT TALKING (Liverpool).—While, perhaps, the bird's talent may have been somewhat overstated, it is an undoubted fact that with many Parrots a change of home, everything strange, etc., does throw them off their loquacity, and this only fully returns as they fully settle down and become accustomed to their new owner, surroundings, etc. A tame bird such as you describe, even if not more accomplished than your description infers, should soon increase its talent amid genial surroundings. As you say, its antagonism to a man and friendliness to the other sex, rather points to the bird being a male, and this it very probably is, in spite of the other facts you refer to. I do not think the effects of the journey would be such as to permanently injure its vocal powers; if it appears to have caught a chill, is a little husky, etc., then a few drops of glycerine in the water for a few days may speed matters up a little. On the other hand, if it got a bad scare on the way, you must leave nature to do its own work; a quiet, happy home will ultimately put matters right. It would be well to examine its mouth and throat, and if it is at all slimy or furred, then put a little honey and borax in its mouth daily, from the end of a stick, till the mouth and throat are quite clean. I am of the opinion that when it has been with you a little longer it will be more loquacious, even though its merits may have been exaggerated a little by the vendor; if not, its accomplishments will return. It is a merely a matter of time.

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R. Smith.—Letter arrived, but no bird.

V. C. Bentinck.—Senegal Parrot hen. Non-infectious complaint. Cause of death, toxicemia, resulting from absorption of toxic products generated during digestion.

H. C. Perks.—Bad case of septic fever. There was no post-mortem evidence of this in the other bird you sent, but it is evidently connected with it.

Blue Pigeon.—Fatty disease of the liver. The organ was almost entirely converted into fat.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

F. Stothard.—The standard cage for Norwich is 19in. long, 11½ high (outside measurement), and 4½ wide (inside measurement); enamelled inside with Aspinall's "Hedgo Sparrow Blue," black outside; uniform perches, not tipped or marked, drinkers painted black. There is no "standard" cage for British birds, and there is no regulation as to the colour of inside or outside. The National British Bird and Mule Club recommend "uniform" cages, and these are of varied size, according to the birds for which they are intended. The Hon. Sec., Mr. J. P. Carr, 45, Overdale Road, S. Ealing, would doubtless furnish you with particulars if you apply

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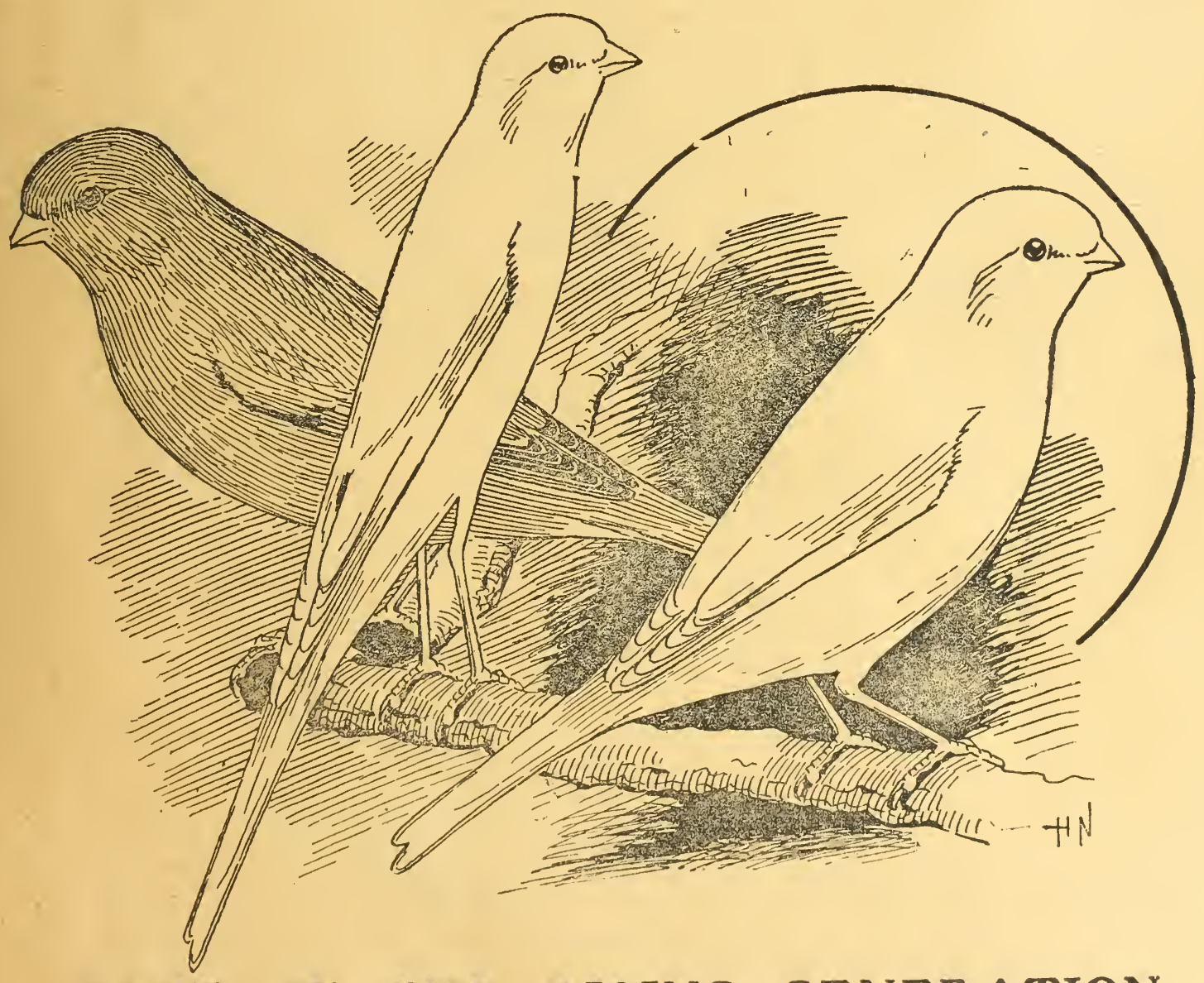

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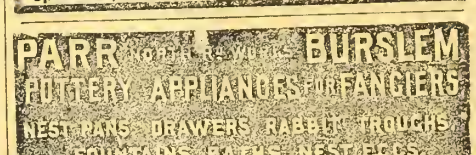

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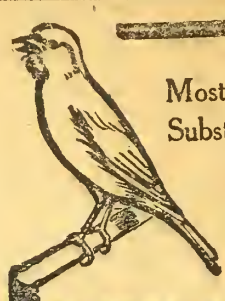

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Club Reports.

SOUTH MOOR SOCIAL CLUB.

Meeting, July 4; Mr. Taylor, chair; and a big turn up of members. A discussion on the rules lasted a considerable time, and at the finish it was decided by a big majority that they should go by the board. Decided to get schedule printed by Mr. Riddle, Stanley.—Geo. Lane, Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Meeting, July 6; Mr. W. G. Fellows, chair. Meeting started very late owing to heavy storm detaining members, therefore consideration of a suggestion from Hastings and St. Leonards re a Southern League was postponed. The energetic whipping up of the hon. sec. connected with E.F. show, helped by the kindness of sundry members who made up a good special list, secured a good entry. Mr. Winter had prepared two striking and well-executed posters for display at the Hall, and Mrs. Hartnell (whose musical treat at the late outing will be long remembered) had kindly consented to give some pianoforte selections. Various votes of thanks closed a cheerful meeting.—G. J. Slade, Asst. Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER FANCY C.C.

Meeting and table show, July 7, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Mr. A. Affleck presiding. Entries for table show were below the average, probably due to members putting in extra time on war munitions. Champ. Cl. or Mkd. Yell.: 1, Johnston; 2, 3, Smith and Son. Buff: 1, 4, Johnston; 2, 3, Smith and Son; 5, Greenwell. Green: 1, Greenwell; 2, Affleck. Cinn.: 1, Affleck. Nov., Cl. or Mkd. Yell.: 1, Affleck. Buff: 1, Affleck; 2, 3, 4, Wilson. Green: 1, 2, 5, Render; 3, Wilson; 4, Affleck. Mr. Coulthard judged champion and Mr. G. Greenwell novice. Decided to allot the patronage, and to have a table show at next meeting. Judges: Mr. M. C. Potts, champ.; Mr. C. Farrer, nov.. Messrs. T. Smith, J. Johnston, and W. Espie each promised to give prizes to be competed for over the table shows.—C. Farrer, Hon. Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Meeting, Headquarters, Rose and Crown Hotel, July 6, Mr. J. Woodall, chair, owing to indisposition of the genial Chairman. There was a good muster to listen to a lecture by Mr. Dean, of Bradford, on society and show management, which proved very interesting. He surprised many of the novices when he detailed the various duties that fall upon the secretary and working committee, in fact one or two made the remark they had no idea there was so much work in running a show. The only drawback to the evening's enjoyment was the early hour we had to finish on account of the early closing, 9.30. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the lecturer. The business part of the evening was very important, and involved the question whether we should run our All-England Show as arranged on Nov. 5th and 6th. Everyone present was of the one opinion, "no cancelling." We trust that all the Specialist Clubs will again rally round us and give us their patronage, and that exhibitors will make a note of the date. We shall pay full prize money, and have a list of specials such as never seen before. —John A. T. Woodall, Press Corresp.

LLANELLY C.B.S.

General meeting, July 10, Mr. G. Thomas chair, the attendance was very disappointing. Sec. read correspondence; the books of society having been audited, Sec. gave the accounts in detail, showing a small loss, 7s. 7d., on last show, and a balance at bank of £11 8s. 8d. The auditors spoke in praise of Mr. John for the manner in which the accounts were kept, and the accounts were passed. The benefits from the last show having been intended to go toward the local distress fund, and the Red Cross Society, the members decided to make a grant of 30s. to each fund out of the balance at bank. Mr. Jos. Holmes was re-elected president for the 9th year; vice-presidents left over for future meeting. Chairman, Mr. D. R. Jones, although with the engineers at Northampton, was with one accord re-elected, the members hoping that he may soon once again be amongst us. We miss Councillor D. R. Jones very much at our meetings. Mr. George Thomas was elected for vice-chair. Mr. John informed the meeting that he was not a candidate for re-election as hon. sec. He had been ill since he went under an operation in 1913, and that it would be for the benefit of the society to make another selection, so that he may take a rest after having given over 40 years to the Fancy. Mr. Geo. Thomas was named, but refused the position; in the end Mr. D. J. Crawford was proposed, and after a long discussion Mr. John agreed to hold the position until next meeting, which will be called by post card.—D. John, Sec.

LANCS. AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Volunteer Inn, Oldham, July 11. There was a very fair attendance; members from Manchester, Oldham, etc., being present. We had two old-timers present in Messrs. Barker Clegg and F. W. Baker, the latter being the Lizard exhibitor, whose record run of winnings will be hard to beat. The "Lizard King" has at present no idea of coming back to the Fancy in which he played such a conspicuous part some years ago. Mr. Barker Clegg acted as chairman in the absence of President (Mr. A. Bradley). The question of patronage was gone into and Secretary was instructed to see to details. Patronage for Lancashires and Lizards was once again given to Manchester and N.C.O.S. for October 29 and 30. Mr. Robert Barrass (Rochdale) to judge our classes. Decided that owing to the war the rule that four classes for either Lancashires or Lizards be given before we compete for club specials or trophies be suspended, and we are prepared to give our patronage this season to any society providing classes for either variety, even if less than four for each variety, providing dates do not clash. I shall be pleased to hear from any society giving either Lancs or Lizard classes that would like to hold same under our patronage. The question as to holding our championship scheme, brought forward by Mr. A. Bradley, will be decided at the next meeting at Manchester; date will be published in CAGE BIRDS in due course. Mr. Howard was proposed as member. We shall be glad to receive names of more members for either variety, as there is a fine opening for novices especially. Sub. is 5s. yearly; no entrance fees. I shall be pleased to give all information on application to 41, Hall Carr Road, Rawtenstall, Lancs.—J. Rukin, Hon. Sec.

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Twitterings.

Mr. Bert Lewis writes that he has removed from 18, Windmill Lane to 38, Morley Street, Kettering.

The Clackmannanshire and Dist. C.B.S. show will be held as usual on Dec. 4, with Mr. J. McLay and J. Steel as judges, writes Mr. W. F. L. Bremner, Sec.

Societies desiring the patronage of the Norwich Plainhead Club for the next coming show season should write to F. Cunliffe, sec., 19, Lark Street, Burnley.

Wolverhampton C.B.S. has decided to hold an open show on Oct. 30 at the Club House, Duke of York, Princess Street, writes Mr. Wm. Harrison, sec.

Clubs wishing the support of the National British Bird and Mule Club for this season's shows should apply to the hon. assist. sec., E. Stephens, "Torrington," Devonshire Road, Palmers Green, N., on or before July 24.

The Manchester and Northern Counties O.S. have decided to hold their annual open show on Oct. 29 and 30, at the Co-operative Hall, Downing Street, the same hall as last year, writes Mr. F. Hayward, hon. sec. The following judges have been engaged: Yorks., Mr. L. Dykes; Nor., Mr. J. Beswick; Lancs. and Lizards, Mr. R. Barras; Bord., Mr. J. Dixon, Wigton; Brit., Hyb. and For., Mr. H. J. Chick, Nottingham.

Russian Birds for London Museum.

We hear that Miss Maud D. Haviland, who is in Siberia as a member of the English Anthropological Expedition organised by Oxford University, and whose charming photographs of bird life are familiar to many, has collected over 500 specimens of birds in the course of the expedition, and these will be presented to the Natural History Museum at South Kensington.

AFTER THE WAR.

Black Canaries from New Zealand will be Seen in England.

OLD readers of Cage Birds will remember the sensation caused at the Crystal Palace Show of February, 1909, by the appearance of a White Canary on the bench. The honour of being the first to exhibit in England this beautiful variety of the universally popular Canary belongs to Mr. Kiesel, Islington, and he showed a second one of the kind at the 1910 Autumn Show of the L. and P.O.S., and afterwards wrote in our columns an account of its breeding. Encouraged by his success in breeding and perpetuating the White Canary, Mr. Kiesel has since tried in the direction of producing "Blacks," and with some measure of success.

The exhibiting of Mr. Kiesel's first specimen inspired a letter by Mrs. Martin, of New Zealand, who stated that she also had an established strain of White Canaries, but had unfortunately missed the honour of being the first to exhibit them in England. Mrs. Martin, like Mr. Kiesel, also turned her attention to the production of Black Canaries, and we had the pleasure recently of announcing that she had been successful, and was sending one of the birds all the way from Australia for our inspection. This estimable intention was frustrated by the outbreak of the war, but, as will be seen by the letter which follows, Mrs. Martin still hopes to avoid, in the case of the Black Canaries, a disappointment similar to that which she experienced in missing the opportunity of being the first to show a White Canary in England. We are sure every one of our readers will join us in the hope that this plucky lady's efforts will be brought to a successful fruition, and that the time may be near when we shall see the results of her labours.

MRS. MARTIN'S LETTER:—

Sir,—I have just received my copy of Cage Birds for April 17, and notice that your correspondent Mr. H. C. Brook enquiries about Black Canaries. I have intended for many months to write you about my Black Canaries, and explain why I never sent one for your inspection. The bird referred to was to have left here (in company with others) just as the war broke out, and I felt that under the circumstances it would be most foolish to risk it, as at that time I had only the one "Black" self. Last season, however, I was most successful in breeding them, and I have now seven self "Blacks" and about a dozen fouls, so as soon as the war is over I hope to send over a nice consignment of them, and also of my Whites, with which I have been more than ever successful, having much improved the type (crossing into extra long Yorkshires). I have reared 37, and scarcely any of them have a dark feather. Last season I succeeded for the first time in getting pink-eyed clear Whites, and also one cinnamon-marked pink-eyed White.

As I believe the Whites in England are not increasing, I hope to send home some of my best Whites when the "Blacks" go, but I don't care to send them while the war risks are so great. I hope the "Blacks" will be in time to be the first exhibited in England, as undoubtedly I am the first to breed them, and they have been exhibited for the last two years in Wellington, New Zealand.

As I mentioned in my previous article, they are not really Black, but a dark blue-grey, with black wings, tails, and spangles—the hens and the buffs showing a good deal of brown. Some of the young of last year are much darker than those of previous years, which is encouraging. I hope it will not be long before you see these birds.

Maud S. Martin,
(Mrs. John Martin).

New Zealand.

"Cage Birds" in Australia.

We have had pleasure in appointing as our representative in Australia Mr. J. Currah, whose name is well-known to English readers, especially to fanciers in Newcastle, in which town Mr. Currah lived for many years before leaving us for the great southern island-continent. Mr. Currah's address is Marian Street, Killara, Sydney, New South Wales, and yearly subscriptions to our journal, 8s. 8d. post free, may be booked with him. The copies will be sent weekly direct to the subscribers.

I am glad to say, writes Mr. J. B. Kerr, New Barnet, that I have had a most successful season. There is not a bad bird in my lot of 20 youngsters. I have bred for size as well as type and quality, and can put down a dozen among which it would be difficult to choose the winner.

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HOW TO COLOUR-FEED NORWICH CANARIES.

By C. STUBBS.

NOW the moulting season is upon us, fanciers' attention will turn from the breeding to the colour feeding of their birds, so a few notes on this subject may not come amiss, and my object in writing these lines is to try and help those fanciers that are perhaps colour feeding birds for the first time. In the first place it is absolutely necessary to breed for colour, that is, you must have some green blood in your birds, otherwise no amount of pepper will bring forth that rich colour so much desired on the show bench. I have found that the beginner as a rule over-feeds his birds with pepper, thinking no doubt to get a better colour. This is a great mistake, as well as a waste of food. Last year I got a grand colour in my birds, so I will tell exactly how I fed my birds.

To every pound of cold pepper I added 2ozs. of hot Natal, thoroughly mixing it together, and afterwards storing it away in an airtight tin. To one hard-boiled egg and a slice of bread I mixed three heaped up teaspoonfuls of the colour food and two of soft sugar. This I well beat together with a fork, taking care not to make it into a paste. I always prepare my food overnight to give to the birds next morning. Allow each bird one teaspoonful of the prepared food every day during the moult, and sprinkle a pinch of maw seed on the top. I always take my seed hoppers off in the morning, putting them back at mid-day; this, in my opinion, does the birds no harm, and they generally eat up the colour food much better. I have found that no matter how palatable you make up your food, some birds will not touch it if they can have their fill with seed. During colour feeding, do not give your birds green food, or they will very likely be troubled with diarrhœa, as the colour food is in itself a vegetable preparation.

The maw seed mentioned answers a double purpose; the birds eat the food better, and, being of a binding nature, the food does not pass through the birds so quickly. Twice a week I add to the drinking water sulphate of iron, a piece about the size of half a split pea is enough; this is a good tonic, and helps to mix the colour. I usually give my birds towards the end of the moult a pinch of linseed, as this helps to put a gloss on the plumage.

When giving birds colour food, use a vessel that a teaspoonful about half fills, the birds will then not have the chance of throwing it about the cage bottom and picking it up when it has turned sour, which they usually do when the vessel is filled to the top. Another important thing is the bath. This must be used freely all through the moult, unless, of course, the weather is cold, and then you must use your own judgment and pick the warmest days; it is a splendid thing to get a good sheen on the birds, and if you can get clean rainwater, so much the better.

When to Start Feeding.

You can generally tell when the old birds are about to drop into a moult, for at such time you will find a flight or tail feather in the cage bottom; they will also go off their song, and sit a bit mopey on the perch. It is time then to start them on the colour food, but the earlier the better, so as to get it well into the blood.

I have found that the youngsters from the early rounds begin to break up when they are about ten to twelve weeks old, and the later ones 7 or 8 weeks old; they should all then be put on the food. Young birds moult ont best when about four are kept in a cage together. They seem to eat the food up one against the other, but beware of the pluckers. Last year I had several of these, so I put them all in one cage together, and not one single feather did they touch on one another. Whether it will always answer I do not know, but I shall certainly give it another trial.

Of course, if you have a very promising bird, it is safest to moult it by itself, as you cannot always be in the room, and the mischief is done in no time. However, all my best birds were moulted four in a cage last year, and, call it luck if you like, I had no trouble at all with them.

When you are colour feeding, it is necessary to darken the room, which can be done by hanging some sort of light material over the window. Some fanciers prefer covering their cage fronts three parts the way down, but I don't think the birds get enough air that way, unless, of course, you get an odd bird or two go into a very early moult when it is best, as you cannot very well keep your room in semi-darkness when you have hens bringing up their young.

I have heard several people say that it is cruel to colour feed birds, but my birds never appear to be in better health than when they are being colour fed. In conclusion, I wish Cage Birds every success, and I hope fanciers generally have had a real good breeding season.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

England.

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Oct. 14.—**Hanley C.B.S.**—(C. Beckett, 32, Hamilton-rd., Birkenhead, Hanley.) J.R.
Oct. 15-16.—**Warrington C.B.S.**—(H. Warburton, 73, Ellesmere Rd., Lower Walton, Warrington.) H.W.B., G.L., J.D.L.
Oct. 16.—**Coventry O.S.**—(A. Green, 205, Stoney Stanton Rd.)
Oct. 21.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.) J.R.
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Oct. 29-30.—**Manchester and N.C.O.S.**—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro Av., Manley Park, Manchester). L.D., J.B., R.B., J.D., H.J.C.
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Nov. 4.—**Blaenavon C.B.S.**—(G. T. Jones, 13, Broad St.)
Nov. 5-6.—**Sheffield O.S.**—(E. C. Job, 19, Vauxhall Rd., Wincobank, Sheffield.) J.R., J.C.B., H.W.B.
Nov. 6.—**Hartlepools C.B.S.**—(J. W. Thornton, 43, Rydal St., W. Hartlepool.) H.W.B., W.M., W.N.
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Nov. 13.—**Barnsley C.B.S.**—(E. Toulson, 102, Cope St.)
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Nov. 17.—**Llandudno** (Welsh N. Counties F. and F.A.).—(G. E. Cragg, "Rocklands," Rhos, Colwyn Bay.)
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The Cinnamon Canary.

"The Bird of Royal Blood."

A Paper read at the meeting of the Western Counties O.S., Plymouth, June 15th, by Mr. A. B. Brown, Plymouth.

THE title of my subject is: "The Bird of Royal Blood." The Cinnamon is one of our oldest breeds, and one we know least about. There is no known record as to whence it came, or how it was bred. Some say it is a sport of the Green Canary, but of this there is no definite proof, and in contradiction to the theory it may be pointed on that there has never been a number of Cinnamons found together in a wild state, whereas the Green is common under such circumstances. This should be sufficient evidence to show the Cinnamon was not originally bred from the Green. It may be that the similarity of markings is responsible for the idea, as both are marked in the same way; be that as it may, a pair of Greens will never produce a Cinnamon feather, if the Greens were entirely without Cinnamon blood. It is also the most interesting variety we possess; handed down to us a mystery, a mystery it remains, and a most fascinating breed by reason of its peculiarities.

When speaking of the "Cinnamon," the Norwich type is generally meant, and, although there are, of course, Cinnamons in other varieties, this type shows a Cinnamon off to the best advantage. It takes its name from the cinnamon spice, which it resembles in colour when colour-fed. It has not always been known by this name, for Hervieux, a very old writer on the Canary, speaks of the Cinnamon as the "ash-coloured Canary-bird with red eyes," and his book was not translated and published in London until the year 1718. P. Boswell called it the "flaxen-colour Canary," others mention it as the ash-coloured or dove-coloured bird with red eyes, and to this day it is better known amongst some of the North-eonntry miners as the Dun, or Quaker.

Ancestors with Bad Reputations.

In the far remote days of the old writers the Cinnamon did not bear a good name. Brehm said "the bird with red eyes is weak," Bechstein "the bird with red eyes is not strong," while another old writer asserted that the Cinnamon hen had dim sight, and if it ever had any young it could not see to feed them, and so starved the whole nest.

This cannot be said of the Cinnamon of to-day; not only has it good sight, but it is a splendid breeder and the best of feeders, rearing nest after nest with success. This all goes to prove either that our forefathers of the Fancy could not have been conscientiously careful in their choice of healthy stock, or that the supply was very limited owing to difficulty of communication with distant fanciers, thus causing inbreeding with unsuitable stock. The latter assumption seems reasonable, as there were then no such facilities for quick communication between breeders as in these days of railways, and there was no such great help to make known our wants as an advertisement in the fanciers' caterer, CAGE BIRDS.

The Hall-Mark of the Cinnamon.

There is one outstanding feature of the Cinnamon which in the pure specimen is always present, i.e., the pink eye, and particular mention was made of it by writers of by-gone centuries. No matter what garb it assumes, or what type it represents, the peculiarity remains, and, although the Cinnamon is no longer known as the red-eyed bird, the bird which possesses the pink eyes is undoubtedly a Cinnamon. The red eye is as much the hall mark of Cinnamon blood today as was the case in the far off days when those ancient writers, for want of a better name, spoke of it as the red-eyed Canary bird.

The knowledge of this insistance of the red eye is very valuable to the breeder who is in search of pure stock. Birds may be glorious examples of beauty, but unless they possess the pink eye there is not the desired amount of Cinnamon blood present to guarantee the breeding of pure self or whole-coloured Cinnamon young. This matter must be borne in mind, as the successful breeding of these birds depends chiefly on this, and the knowledge is particularly useful in the selecting of Cinnamon hens, for these may be whole-coloured Cinnamons, but may contain very little real Cinnamon blood.

On the other hand, a Cinnamon-feathered cock carries his pedigree with the Cinnamon feather, as it is impossible to breed a Cinnamon-feathered cock unless there be a good percentage of Cinnamon blood present in both parents. To the inexperienced this matter of the pink or cinnamon eye may be difficult to detect, as in adult birds, when seen in a poor light, the eye appears ordinary in colour, but if the bird is held in such a position as to allow the light to fall on the eye in a slanting direction the reddish tint is easily perceivable. In the case of young Cinnamons, the pink colour is seen showing through the eyelids immediately they are hatched from the shell.

A Real Transformation.

The modern show specimen is far removed from the Cinnamon of long ago. It has lost its reputedly bad character with its dull drab coat. The transformation is very real, not only as regards stamina and colour, but also in respect of size and type. All this has been brought about by a skilful and systematic manipulation of the stock year by year, until the patient enterprise of the breeder has met with reward in the production of the beautiful exhibition bird of to-day.

In the absence of proof of its origin, it does not appear to be out of place to submit a theory as to what the Cinnamon really is. None of us can fail to observe that in all branches of life red colour species are always fully represented. In human races we have a good percentage of units with red or reddish-brown hair. In horses red is represented by chestnut, roan, bay, etc.; in cattle, we have our famous South Devons; then we have the red setter, a dog whose coat is full of red colour, while amongst fowls the same colour is common, especially in the game varieties. In all the Canary tribes we have the brown of the Cinnamon, so why should not the Cinnamon be acknowledged as the game representative of the Canary? All admit the Cinnamon can be grafted on to any other variety of Canary, and also that none other has the power to implant itself on the Cinnamon. This should be conclusive proof, and should be suffieient to earn it its title, "The King of Canaries."

(To be Continued.)

POINTS ON WHICH LIGHT IS WANTED.

A Paper read by Mr. G. H. THURLEY (Tottenham), before the members of the City and Suburban A.C.B.

(Continued from page 335.)

YOU may remember that from Nos. 1 and 2 pairs I got a percentage of 45 yellows. In one of those nests the 3 yellows were all hens. Here was some ground-work for me to start on if I had not, in the words of a celebrated statesman, been "ploughing a lonely furrow." Could I have obtained one or two buff cocks from birds with a pre-disposing power to throw yellows, I consider it would have put me on the right track, but unfortunately I was unable to do so, and I had no bird of my own that came up to my requirements. If I could have done this, and followed it up strictly on those lines, I firmly believe that I could in three or four generations have got a good majority of yellows. Of course the same holds good for buffs, but as I was working for yellows I have not made such a careful study of these.

It is possible some one may suggest that this will affect exhibition points. Not at all; these points can still be just as carefully bred for and watched over, and we shall get additional interest as regards colour. Before leaving this point, I may say my results this season so far appear to coincide with last year's.

Another problem, or rather perplexing point which is worth tackling, is the question of sex, and I should like to say a few words with regard to the influence the age of the parent birds has on the sex of their progeny. Some two or three years ago a paper was read, I believe by a lady, to some London society. I put a copy of it away for security, and I did the work so successfully that now I want it I can't lay my hands upon it. My records here, again, are not, I fear, of a sufficiently lengthy period for us to draw any satisfactory conclusions from them, but I will give them to you in the hope that if they are somewhat negative they will bring out other breeders' results:—

From cocks and hens 1 year, unflighted, 57 per cent. cocks, 43 per cent. hens; cocks 2 years and unflighted hens, 73 per cent. cocks, 27 per cent. hens; cocks 2 years and hens ditto, sexes equal; cocks 3 years and unflighted hens, all cocks; cocks 2 years and hens 3 years, 62 per cent. cocks, 38 per cent. hens; cocks 1 year and hens 3 years, 66 per cent. cocks and 33 per cent. hens.

Forming an opinion simply on these results alone suggests that if, as a good many of us do, we wish to breed hens, we should use both non-flight birds, or birds of equal ages, for it will be noticed that where over year cocks and non-flighted hens were used, there was a large percentage of cocks in the offspring. Whether these results are in accordance with those of other breeders I am unable to say, but it is a point I am watching very carefully. It was my intention to have added some notes on the fertilisation of eggs, but not wishing to weary and bore you unduly I decided to omit them.

In conclusion I have a suggestion to make, and although perhaps all the members in the room may not be as enthusiastic on these points as I am, I hope that some will fall in with my proposal. I take it that this association is one of the most active, most go-ahead, and most flourishing societies in the country. It is one to which we ought to be proud to belong, and it is my opinion that it would only be worthy of us, and would have great weight in the Canary world, if we set ourselves to work to keep accurate records on the lines I have suggested, and then, when we have come to some definite conclusion, as no doubt we shall, as to the principles underlying these laws, we publish them as evidence collected by the City and Suburban.

I am fully aware that professors and students of the Mendelian laws may, because we are not working in a laboratory, try to minimise and belittle our efforts, but our results will have been obtained from actual experience and not from a study of theory. My idea is that one evening towards the end of the year, when questions of sex, colour, etc., have settled themselves, we should meet here and communicate our results to perhaps a small sub-committee, and these should be carefully tabulated and published as the result of our investigations.

WASTING DISEASES IN CAGE BIRDS.

By W. VALE, F.Z.S., &c. (South Norwood).

Author of "The Science of Living," Manuals of Canary, Poultry, etc., Diseases, "How to Feed Canaries," etc.

THE cage birds which are received by me for post-mortem examination may be divided into two classes, those which are too fat and those which are too thin, but by far in the least proportion are those which are too thin. Owing to the fulness of the plumage of cage birds, especially of Canaries, there may be loss of muscular tissues to the extent of exhaustion, without the owner of a bird having become aware that the bird was wasting.

In cases of wasting there is usually more or less looseness of the bowels, in addition to the loss of muscular tissue, and the excrement has an unnatural appearance. In some cases the bowels are very much relaxed, and the excrement is of a dark-greenish colour, but at first watery, and unusually dark in colour, and when the excrement is dark green the loss of muscular tissue may be rather rapid. In severe cases the bird soon becomes "heapy," that is, it stands on its perch most of its time with its head drawn in, and its plumage standing out from its body so as to give it an unnaturally round appearance. When a bird first commences to waste it may be fairly active, but soon becomes gradually less so, and should the wasting continue it remains stationary on its perch most of the time and has a very dejected appearance, and a sleepy one too. The onset of the disease is very insidious in most cases, so that a bird may become quite emaciated before it has been noticed to be ailing.

The Cause of the Trouble.

Simply stated, the cause of caged birds losing muscular tissue is unsuitable dieting, with its consequent malnutrition. The bird may have had a superabundance of food, food containing a superabundance of digestible material, but in it a great deficiency of muscle-forming elements in proportion to the digestible solids, and in order for this to be made evident it is necessary to describe the process of nutrition and digestion, together with the composition of the foodstuffs usually fed to cage birds.

In the first place, all substances swallowed rest in the crop, which is merely an enlargement of the gullet down which food and other substances pass from the mouth to the stomach. The crop resembles a hopper from which the stomach and gizzard are supplied with successive quantities of material for conversion into a more or less nutritive pulp. From the crop the food first passes into the stomach, which is supplied with glands which secrete and pour out a fluid which softens most substances, and prepares them for the action of the gizzard, and also in other ways assists in the process of digestion.

The gizzard, in the case of seed eating birds, in addition to grinding its contents, with the aid of some harder substances, presses and forces the most fluid portions through a valvular opening into the upper part of the bowel. In the bowel the semi fluid pulp from the gizzard is mixed with bile and other secretions which assist in the process of digestion, and eventually nearly the whole of the contents of the bowel are, or should be, in sufficiently minute division for absorption into the blood. The blood should circulate freely through every gland and tissue in the body, and each should extract from the blood nearly the exact quantity of suitable material necessary for building it up, and for its maintenance in a high state of efficiency for the performance of its natural functions. It is absolutely necessary for there to be a sufficiency of nourishment in the bowel from time to time, and for it to remain there long enough to become absorbed into the blood.

Anyone who studies this matter can hardly fail to perceive that a bird suffering from diarrhœa, even to a limited continual extent, cannot be sufficiently nourished, and as a consequence there must be more or less loss of muscular tissue. This must, as a matter of course, be intensified when there is a deficiency of flesh-forming elements in the diet supplied. In some foodstuffs there is only about one-sixth of digestible solid flesh-forming elements where there should be three-fifths. I say three-fifths, because in all diets naturally provided about three-fifths of the digestible solids are flesh-forming elements, therefore it is safe to assume that, at least, nearly that proportion should be in the diet of any creature.

There is another very important point that it is necessary not to lose sight of, and that in the great preponderance of digestible solids in proportion to the indigestible solids, nearly seven to one. In no naturally provided diet is there ever 50 per cent. of digestible solids. An excess of digestible solids in a diet, which are deficient in flesh-forming elements, is the chief predisposing cause of disease in caged birds. An excess of cheesy, fatty matter becomes deposited in the kidneys, liver, spleen, and other organs, and herein lies another cause of wasting. When an excess of cheesy matter is deposited in important organs they fail efficiently to perform their natural functions, and the blood becomes more or less impure, and acts as an irritant in the liver, from which irritant matter is discharged into the bowel. The result is chronic bilious diarrhœa, a common ailment of caged birds, and more especially of Parrots.

It is very surprising that Parrots should be passing a greenish-coloured excrement for months, and then only to be wasting chiefly about the thighs. In all these cases the Parrot is the subject of fatty disease of the kidneys, and mostly of the liver too. However, later on the Parrot is liable to have attacks of cramp, and soon after this a whitish diarrhœa is set up, that is, an excess of urea is passed. It has then become too late to adopt any kind of treatment with any great chance of a cure being effected.

It is the same in the case of other cage birds which have been continuously unsuitably dieted; the same symptoms supervene, with the same ultimate results. The only chance of a cage bird living as long as it should would be feeding with a diet in which there would be a large percentage of non digestible material. It has always been a great puzzle to me how some birds live for a rather long time on an exclusive diet of millet, and it can only be owing to the slow digestion of it, or the partial digestion of the digestible solids in it. The same birds when living in a naturally wild state have quite a different diet. There is an idea prevalent that a creature can adapt itself to living on an unnatural diet, but I must confess inability to understand how that may be when the foodstuffs do not contain anywhere nearly the composition of any natural diet, although it is very easily understood that a great variety of foodstuffs may, as a whole, form a nearly balanced diet, that is, nearly enough balanced to support life for quite its natural span.

Correspondence.

Two Pairs of Twin Canaries!

Sir,—Having read A. J. Baker's letter in Cage Birds of July 3 with reference to Twin Canaries, I write to say that I have been breeding this season with a pair of Yorkshires, and the first nest had four eggs; result, four healthy birds. Their second nest contained four eggs, and you can imagine my surprise when I found I had six birds out of the four eggs hatched June 20; the birds are all alive and well. When the young left the nest, it was quite noticeable that two birds were short of feathers on breast, and two were short of feathers around the head, while the other two, who were not twins, were well fledged and a little larger. The mother is now on her third nest with six eggs, and I hope she will not surprise me with twins again.

C. H. Church.

What a New Reader Thinks.

Sir,—It is but recently that your most valuable and useful paper, Cage Birds, was introduced to my notice, and after carefully reading one or two numbers I decided to invest in two or three of the books you publish, including that beautifully illustrated and helpful work, "Cage Bird Hybrids." This wonderful volume is, I find, crammed with useful advice, and is all you claim for it, and more. In a way it resembles an attractive novel, for one doesn't know when to put it down, once one begins to read it. For those who do not care to spend so much the smaller work is just the book for British bird lovers, i.e., "The British Bird Manual," at 2s. I am an old Canary fancier, and used to breed Cinnamons thirty years ago, but never studied British birds until a clergyman friend persuaded me to make a start recently.

Novice.

The Grit of the Fancier-Soldier.

Africa, France, and the Dardanelles.

Sir,—I am sorry to say that one of the members of the Bolton Roller Soc., and of the Provincial Roller Club, Private James Scott, is posted as missing in the Dardanelles. He was a very successful breeder and exhibitor of Roller Canaries, carrying off several prizes the season before the war broke out. He was a reservist, was called out on the declaration of war, and was in the thick of the fighting in France for four months. He was invalided home with frost-bitten feet, but after getting all right he volunteered to go out to the Dardanelles, and four days after landing was posted as missing. He belonged to the Lancashire Fusiliers, and had been through the Boer War. I am sure all Roller fanciers will join us in hoping that after all he may turn up safe and sound.

Jos. Kilshaw.

Nearly Cleared Out But Still Going Strong.

Sir,—I am glad to inform you I have had a most successful season with Norwich. I tried to clear all my stock last winter, and through my advert. in Cage Birds I sold nearly 50, but at the commencement of the breeding season I had left on hand five cocks and seven hens. Not having much spare time now, owing to the war, I decided to let them take their chance, and feed the young on Spratt's Cod Liver Oil Food, which I saw advertised in Cage Birds. I obtained a 7lb. bag and have had splendid results. Two hens died through egg-binding, and this left me with five pairs. I have 25 young doing for themselves, six in the nest, and some eggs still to hatch. I hope to give you the final result at the end of the season, as I think fanciers would be glad to hear more of this food, which is very cheap, and I find most satisfactory.

P. G. Salter.

Which Singer is Supreme?

Sir,—One of the "good old annuals," and one which crops up almost as regularly as the ultra-early Cuckoo or the extra late Swallow, is the question, "Which is the most talented singer among British birds?" If we take heed of the poets and novelists, there is but one answer, "The Nightingale," but when we are guided by our own sense of hearing—well, "there are others." Many of us find notes in the song of the Nightingale which jar on our ears, and, like a flaw in anything, detract from the excellence of the song as a whole. In consequence, we are inclined to dispute the title of the Nightingale to its poetic designation "Queen of Song" (it should, of course, be "King of Song," but that is a detail), and to listen elsewhere for our ideal songster. Two claimants to royal supremacy immediately join issue, the Blackcap and the Garden Warbler. The exquisito "flutiness" of the song of the latter bird appeals at once to a sensitive ear, and there are many who would accept the Garden Warbler as the best of all British songsters. Personally, while bowing to the charm of this delightful musician, my vote is for the Blackcap. The song of the Blackcap is brighter and more lively than, and in its deeper notes yields little, if any, to that of the Garden Warbler. The Blackcap, therefore, is always in my mind when I see or hear raised the question of absolute supremacy. I have, however, lately come across a contribution to the "Glasgow Evening Citizen," which puts the whole argument so nicely that I think it cannot fail to be of interest to readers of our ever-popular journal Cage Birds; it is as follows:—

"Predilections are hard to overcome, and it would be a hopeless task to try to reconcile the partialities of individuals with regard to the respective merits of our song-birds. The Nightingale's pre-eminence gives point to the saying that there is always room at the top. The second place, however, proves to be an apple of discord to be wrangled for by the protagonists of various species. Still, the Blackcap Warbler has had, in the book field at any rate, most reputation as our second-best vocalist. Perhaps it may be said without being provocative that at its best it is hard to beat.

In my experience no birds vary so much in power of song as Blackcaps. At its best the song is full, clear, and ebullient. At its worst it is a thin treble, like an indifferent Hedge Sparrow's. There is nothing strange or rare in songs varying among birds of the same species, but in the Blackcap this feature, common to all birds, becomes remarkable. Birds are moody, just like men, and often we cannot tell what is in the local circumstances, or the weather, or the psychology of the individual that makes for volubility or the reverse. But the Blackcap's reputation for moodiness goes away back to Gilbert White's time, and it is a characteristic that does not change as time changes. The best notes in the Blackcap's repertory combine the clearness of the piercing shafts of song of the Robin with something of the fulness of the Nightingale. It is the clearness in the Blackcap's notes, compared with the flute-like notes of the Garden Warbler, that helps the listener to distinguish between them in five out of any six cases."

Old Reader.

Intelligence in Birds.

Sir,—Would a Bishop tell a fib? That is a question that it isn't "in the public interest" to answer. As Mr. Teschemaker is good enough to remember the correspondence of some time ago, perhaps he will also remember that the correspondence took place under the heading of "Has a Bird a Conscience"?

As one of the sceptical correspondents referred to, I would ask him if he also remembers that I did not deny an amount of intelligence in birds individually, but that I pointed out the psychological difference between the words intelligence and conscience. Nuttal gives as the meaning of conscience—the sense of right and wrong, while intelligence means skill, or knowledge. A bird may have skill, but does not know the difference between right and wrong. A Parrot, a thieving Jackdaw or Magpie, a performing Redpoll which draws its own food, they all show intellectual capacity; but a thieving Magpie has no more conscience than the thieving hordes of the Kaiser. The Flycatcher he mentioned as leaving her young to die may—or may not—have shown intelligence, but she manifested a woeful lack of love for her offspring. She had not the sense of right and wrong—conscience; and she would have helped Mr. Teschemaker's argument better if she had killed two of her young and brought up the other three—as she "knew" she couldn't possibly rear the five. The professional up-to-date Bill Sykes is very intelligent, but he must be without a conscience. Well, what about Elijah? Surely he doesn't wish to ———. But, no; Mr. Teschemaker knows that credulity is not my weak point!

T. Johnson.

To Exterminate Lice in Canaries

Some letters received in competition for the prize offered in last week's issue. A further selection will appear next week.

Sir,—I should say Novice has not troubled much about reading articles in Cage Birds from time to time. If he will do as I tell him he will never see a parasite of any description, either at breeding or any other time. Thoroughly clean out cage or cages with a good solution of diluted carbolic acid. Then clean racks with the same; dip all ends of racks in same; distemper inside cage with Hall's, adding a pennyworth of turpentine to it, also do the racks with same. Then get two pennyworth of Russian tallow and 2d. of naphtha, melt the tallow in a jar, and add the naphtha. When cold and set, take a piece of rag and sponge, and rub all round the outside of cage, and fill up joints, and you will never be troubled again. Last but not least, use red mite perches. See advertisement Cage Birds Annual, 1915. Also spray your birds with quassia, and if they are breeding, wash the nest pan with same, and put a bit of the chip in the bottom of nest pan; mites don't like it. Any fancier can inspect my cages at any time.

J. Taylor.

Sir,—The way I manage is to put plenty of Keating's insect powder in the nest before the hen goes to hatch. When the young are about a fortnight old I procure a new nest pan with lining, and form a nest with moss or other substance. I put Keating's in nest as before, place the young in it, and I find this keeps all pests away. I would advise the party concerned to take the old and nest of young each in the hand and sprinkle the insect powder on the birds affected, taking care of the birds' eyes. If this course be adopted, I hope he will write and state results, which I know from experience will be satisfactory. I may mention that I have myself gained much useful knowledge from Cage Birds, and I wish it all success.

J. Lyons.

Sir,—I remember having a nest literally walking away. I consulted several big authorities, and their chief remedy was washing with either one disinfectant or another—quassia chips and sheep dip being the chief two. I tried washing until I was sick of it, and all to no purpose, besides running a big risk, especially with young birds (and old when in the moult). Now, if Novice will get the small bellows and some Keating's Powder, catch each bird, and give it a good dusting, he will have no lice in less than a week, if dusted each day. I am a user of this powder in every nest while the hen is sitting.

Ed. Ball.

Sir,—During my somewhat lengthy experience in the Fancy, I have at times had one nest unaccountably infested. The remedy is very simple. The most sure, safe, and speedy cure is Keating's Insect Powder. Catch the birds, if they are on the perches, rub the powder into the feathers liberally, starting at the head, round the neck, down back, and well below wings, body and tail, one application is sufficient. When youngsters in the nest are seen to be infested, they should be kept isolated until eleared, as the lice quickly spread from bird to bird, on contact, not otherwise. Spread a newspaper on the table during operation. The lice will drop off the birds. The eage the birds are put into should be well covered on bottom with sawdust, to be cleaned out next day.

Frank F. Lawson.

Sir,—Being a breeder of Canaries for about thirty years, I used to be troubled a great deal with these insects, till a friend of mine advised me to try Stockholm tar, which I did, and I have never seen one for the past nine or ten years. Paint inside the nest pans with Stockholm tar, and then press the lining to it.

W. Mann.

Sir,—The very best and cheapest way is to get a friendly baker to put the cage and all belonging to it (excepting the birds, of course) in his hot oven for a few minutes. This, I guarantee, will kill and cook all live stock, and destroy their eggs, without damaging the cages.

G. Gibbons.

Ramsden's pure tasteless pepper for this season is, as usual, in every way first-class, and the same remark can justly be applied to this vendor's hot Natal pepper. Samples which have just been sent us establish it beyond any doubt. The colouring properties of "R.P." are wonderful, while it is perfectly ground and retains just the right proportion of natural oil; further, it is ground from garden pods of this season's growth, and guaranteed (as in other years) under the Food and Drugs Act as absolutely pure and unadulterated, a fact to which its aroma and appearance bear striking testimony. It is to be obtained of Mr. J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, London, S.W. Another very excellent Ramsden speciality is "Lacphos," a tonic building-up food with milk powder as its basis, one pound of it representing the concentrated nourishment of 35 pints of fresh milk. "Lacphos" is particularly valuable to mix amongst the soft-food used for rearing young birds, and for moulting purposes, ensuring strong, well-nourished birds.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULE.

Woolton (Lancs.).—Aug. 2. Judge, J. Lloyd. 7 classes: Brit. 6, A.O.V. 1. Fee 1s. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s., if 9 entries; half if less. Entries close July 27, to J. Keen, Woolton, Liverpool.

A Persevering Greenfinch.

Sir,—In my aviary I have a pair of Greenfinches. About the 3rd June the hen began to build, but the other birds destroyed the nest. She began again, but with the same result; she then laid an egg on the ground which was broken. I then took a Chaffinches' nest, which I had by me, and stuck it in a branch in the aviary, and the Greenfinch laid three eggs in it, which all came off, and now I have three young Greenfiuches.

L. Wade.

"Cage Birds" at the Front.

Sir,—Just a line to thank you for the welcome copies of Cage Birds; the troops liked them very much. I gave one to every company in our battalion. I hope the boys are having a good breeding season; I shall be glad when I can start again. Birds are plentiful here, and the Swallow sings grandly; he will sit on a piece of barbed wire and sing for two or three minutes. I wish you and the staff the best of luck.

W. Bridgen.

1st Sherwoods, B.E.F., France.

My Cuckoos and Some Other Birds.

By Mrs. SARGEANT (Worcester).

I HAVE been intending to write for some time past, as I see the Cuckoo is still in evidence sometimes, and that some curious questions are still asked about it. I have still got one of the two which were brought to me out of the country last year, but, just like the others, he is not in good condition so far as regards the tail and wing feathers, and he has not yet got all his grey bib. He looks healthy otherwise, and has just the same pretty ways of "snapping his beak for a kiss, etc.," as the old one and the others had.

Jimmy, my large Tawny Owl, is still alive and well. I saw, a few weeks ago, someone was asking how to feed one. I feed mine on lights; the best sort is a side of sheep's lights; this will last three or four days; in fact, two sides are Master Jimmy's allowance for the week. He gets a bird, a mouse, or a young chicken occasionally, and he is coming through his moult splendidly again. He likes a bath, and gets a washing up tin full of water every day; he rubs his nose in the soil on the bottom of his house before making his plunge.

I should like to speak a word in favour of the Crow, seeing that the Corby Crow is my family crest with the motto "*Deus paset Corvos*" (God feeds the Ravens). Æsop, in his fables, if he makes him a vain bird, also makes him a clever one, for he tells the story of one who, being thirsty, had flown with joy to a jug of water. The water being low in the jug, and the jug narrow in the neck, he filled it up with pebbles till he raised the water to the brim and quenched his thirst.

My mother told me lately that a pair of Crows had fed on the lawn in front of her window for five years, and were quite tame, coming on to the window sill for bits of fat she put out for them. Sometimes they brought one or perhaps two young ones with them in the season.

The Crow in India.

I have heard quite a lot of interesting things about Crows lately from a soldier's wife who had been some years in India. There the Hooded Crow is a much protected bird, for the natives think it is a sacred bird, and that their souls pass into it when they die. They are also the city scavengers, and great thieves, stealing fowls' eggs off the table, and carrying two at a time away in their claws, *not on the end of their beaks.*

Once she hit one with a stick and it dropped on the floor as though dead. She told a native boy to throw it away, but he shrank up in a corner and said: "Me no kill Crow; mem sahib, me no kill Crow; me no throw Crow away." So she picked the Crow up herself, took him out of doors, and flung him on a heap of rubbish, when with a great "Caw Caw!" he flapped his wings and was gone, leaving her frightened with amazement.

I think I have read that a Skylark will feign death when in danger, and that reminds me that my old Skylark (she is now nine years old) is again building. She is making a much more compact nest this year, but she is so old and waddles along so slowly, sometimes getting her feet bound up in the bits of grass, that it is proving a long job. My hen Yellowhammer is still alive, this is her ninth year in captivity; is this a record? I remember seeing in the correspondence column of Cage Birds that these birds rarely lived more than four years in captivity. I also have a hen Chaffinch, and the two hen Bullfinches building; and I will tell later if I have any luck with them.

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ELVET.

Linnet contest, Black Horse, July 3. 1, Henry; 2, Harper; 3, Barron. Judge, Fairless, East Howle; timer, Harper, Wheatley Hill.—Barron, Sec.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality Linnet, Clarence Hotel, Skinner Lane. 17 birds faced the judges, and some very good singing was heard. President Mr. Rushworth added a special prize. 1, Wigfield; 2, Ward; 3, Appleyard. Judges, Messrs. C. Biss, Bryan, Butterfield. July 11, 12 birds sang for 3 prizes: 1, Ward; 2, 3, Hirst. Judged by Bryan and Butterfield.—W. Lipman, Hon. Sec.

Leeds quality Linnet Singing Club singing contest, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, July 10, when we had visitors from Pudsey. 20 birds sang. Judges, P. Madden and J. Wright. 1, Dearlove, whose bird sung very well; 2, Turner; 3, Parkinson. July 11, with a good company, we had Corporal Clark to see us, and he was one of the judges, along with F. Soloman. He said there was some very good singing. 24 birds sang: 1, Chipendale; 2, Lorriman; 3, Wright; 4, Turner.—F. Turner, Sec.

The Shows.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting, July 8, Mr. Havenhand chair. The principal feature was a table show, but as our members have a difficulty in attending owing to war work, there were not many entries. Nor.: 1, 3, Hartley; 2, 4, Gifford; vhc, hc, Dewick. Yorks.: 1, 2, Blunt. Brit. Hardbill: 1, 2, 4, Bearder; 3, vhc, hc, Garlick. Softbill: 1, 2, Darlow. Judges, Messrs. E. Johnson (Canaries) and G. Buckley (British). Decided to have debate on colour feeding at the August meeting, to be opened by the sec.—E. Johnson, sec.

EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.

Second members' show, July 10. Mr. Wilcock, Eccleshill, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Although the entry was not large, quality was very good indeed. British birds were mostly in evidence, keen competition ensuing in these classes. Linnets: 1, 3, Burnell; 2, Summers; vhc, hc, Walton. Greenf.. 1, 2, Burnell; 3, Walton; vhc, Humberstone. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, 2, Burnell; 3, Walton. Redpoll, etc.: 1, Burnell; 2, Crossley; 3, Kendren; vhc, Summers; hc, Bedford. A.O.V.: 1, Burnell; 2, Summers; 3, Walton. Mr. J. Burnell again takes honours, scoring 17 points; H. Summers 8, A. Walton 7.—A. Walton, Sec.

CHESTER C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 11. Judge, Mr. J. W. Guy, Helsby. Nor. Cl. Yell.: 1, 3, Cave; 2, Jones and Chester. Cl. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Cave. Tkd. or Var. Yell.: 1, vhc, Jones and Chester; 2, Woodfine; 3, Cave. Buff: 1, Cave; 2, 3, vhc, Woodfine; hc, Jones and Chester. Yorks. Cl. Yell.: 1, Hibbert; 2, J. Bradbury; 3, H. Hilsby; vhc, H. Walley. Buff: 1, 2, Hibbert; 3, vhc, H. Helsby; hc, c, Clubbe. Tkd. or Variег. Yell.: 1, 2, Hibbert; 3, Walley; vhc, J. Bradbury; hc, H. Helsby. Buff: 1, 3, Hibbert; 2, c, Bradbury; vhc, hc, Walley. Nov. Yell.: 1, Challinor. Buff: 1, Challinor. Bord. Yell.: 1, 2, 3, Cavanagh. Buff,: 1, 2, 3, Cavanagh. Goldf.: 1, C. Pritchard; 2, Walley. Bullf.: 1, Hibbert. Linnet: 1, C. Pritchard. Softbill: 1, C. Pritchard.—L. Cavanagh, Hon. Sec.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.

Meeting, July 10, Wardler Bridge Inn, Holmside, Mr. C. Mitchell chair, with a good turn up of members. Table show, same night. 36 birds were staged. Mr. Wm. Forster, Pelton Fell, judged, and his awards were well received. Nor., 1915: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Barron; 3, Storey. Yorks.: 1, Lowerson. Bord.: 1, 2, 3, Storcy; vhc, Lowerson. A.O.V., 1915: 1, Storey. Nor. old bird: 1, Lowerson; 2, 3, vhc, Storey. Yorks.: 1, Lowerson. Bord.: 1, Lowerson. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Lowerson. Linnet: 1, 2, Blackburn; 3, Peart; vhc, Lowerson. Redpoll: 1, Blackburn; 2, 3, Barron. A.O. Hardbill: 1, Peart; 2, 3, Barron. Mule: 1, 3, vhc, Storey; 2, Peart: Softbill: 1, Blackhurn. Mr. J. Storey won Mr. Crosert's special for most points with 53 points; Mr. J. Lowerson, runner-up, 46.—J. W. Rohson, Sec.

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.

1st F.F. show, Railway Hotel, June 12. Mr. J. Bailey judged, and gave every satisfaction. Champ., Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (12): 1, 4, Symes; 2, vhc, Swaine; 3, Stebbings; hc, Chippindale; c, Parker. Buff (10): 1, c, Stebbings; 2, 4, vhc, Chippindale; 3, Swaine; hc, Elsegood. Mkd. (3): 1, Parker; 2, Swaine; 3, Symes. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (4): 1, 2, 3, Reed and Son; 4, Pownall. Buff (4): 1, 2, 4, Reed and Son; 3, Pownall. Mkd. (2): 1, 2, Pownall.

2nd F.F. show, Railway Hotel, July 10. Mr. J. Horsfield judged, and gave every satisfaction. Champ. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. (14): 1, 2, 4, Symes; 3, vhc, c, Chippindale; hc, Stebbings. Buff (11): 1, c, Chippindale; 2, 4, vhc, Stebbings; 3, Swaine; hc, Symes. Mkd. (7): 1, Chippindale; 2, 3, Duckworth; 4, hc, Parker; vhc, Symes; c, Swaine. Nov. (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Reed and Son; 4, Bancroft. Mkd. (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, Pownall; vhc, Bancroft. Points to date: Chippindale, medal 32, cup 37; Symes, 29, 32; Swaine, 20, 22; Stebbings, 26, 28; Parker, 12, 12; Duckworth, 11, 11. Novice: Reed and Son, 26, 31; Pownall, 17, 19; Bancroft 4, 4.—W. H. Symes, Sec.

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SPRINGBURN, POSSIL PARK.

F.F. show, Reid Hall, July 3. Nor Cl.: 1, P. Braid; 2, Fyfe; 3, 4, Robertson. Yell. Hen: 1, sp. for best Norwich; 2, Crawford; 3, Braid. Buff Hen: 1, Crawford; 2, 3, Robertson. Yell. Var.: 1, 2, 3, sp., Crawford. Buff Var.: 1, Braid; 2, 5, Fyfe; 3, 4, Crawford. Crest: 1, Lindsay. C.B.: Lindsay. Bord., Buff: 1, Braid; 2, Morrison. Buff Var.: 1, sp., Morrison. Green or Cinn.: 1, 2, Robertson. Yorks., Yell.: 1, Finlay; 2, Gordon. Buff: 1, Penman; 2, Finlay; 3, 4, Gordon.—J. Waugh, Sec. and Treas.

REDHILL.

Young Bird Show, held July 7, in Ree's Rooms. The entry was fairly good considering the members had not experienced the best of fortune. Borders came up strong and some very neat specimens were staged, spl. best in section going to Mr. Hurst's buff, a grand all-round bird, with a capital head and good style. Spl. best York. was won by a very fine buff of good size and quality put down by Mr. Bacon; best Bullf. or Greenf. to Mr. Hurst's Bullfinch; and Mr. Mitchell secured spl. best Brit. with a capital Goldf., a good all-round bird, full of quality. Mr. Martin makes a good Sec., is a keen fancier, and had everything in order. Mr. H. Norman judged.

Yorks., Yell.: 1, 2, Bacon; 3, vhc, Last; hc, Miss Hatch. Buff: 1, 2, hc, Bacon; vhc, Last; c, Miss Hatch. Bord., Yell.: 1, 2, Last; 3, Hurst; vhc, c Martin; hc Marriott. Buff: 1, Hurst; 2, hc, Martin; 3, hc, Hewitt; c, Last. Greens: 1, 2, vhc, Bacon; c, Last. Goldf.: 1, Mitchell; 2, Bacon; vhc, hc, Bignal Bros. Bullf., etc.: 1, Hurst; 2, Smith; 3, vhc, Bacon; hc, Montagu; c, Marriott. Chaff., etc.: 1, Smith; 2, Marriott; vhc, hc, Bacon; c, Montagu. Linnet, etc.: 1, Bignall Bros.; 2, Marriott; vhc, Mitchell; hc, c, Montague. Hyb.: 1, Hurst. Canary (open): 1, vhc, French; 2, hc, Neal.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting held July 8, Oldham Hall. Mr. J. Abbott, chair, and a very good attendance. Decided to allot 5s. for the best bird in each section, viz., Yorks., Nor., Bord., and Brit., at our annual show this year, and several other specials were promised; up to the present we have to thank our worthy president and Messrs. Abbott, Hunt, and Sharples for same. Messrs. Rowlands and W. Jones judged third N.F. show. 55 birds staged. A very hearty vote of thanks was given the judges. Yorks. Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Thomas; 2, 3, Greatrex; 4, Garrood. Buff: 1, c, Greatrex; 2, Garrood; 3, hc, Rogers; vhc, Thomas. Variег. Yell.: 1, 2, Greatrex; 3, Thomas. Buff: 1, c, Greatrex; 2, vhc, Garrood; 3, Rogers; hc, Sharples. Green Self: 1, Sharples; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Garrood. Foul: 1, 2, Garrood; 3, Sharples. Nor. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, Phillips; 3, Leatherbarrow. Goldf.: 1, Robertshaw; 2, Sharples. Bullf.: 1, Robertshaw; 2, Lloyd; 3, Hunt. Greenf.: 1, Sharples; 2, Lloyd. Siskin, etc.: 1, 3, vhc, hc, c, Robertshaw; 2, Sharples. Bramble and Chaffinch: 1, vhc, Lloyd; 2, hc, c, Robertshaw; 3, Sharples. Mule or Hyb.: 1, Lloyd; 2, 3, Robertshaw. Brit. Hen: 1, Phillips; 2, T. R. Jones. Points: Canaries, Garrood 32, Greatrex 22, Rogers 10, Sharples 8, Thomas 7, Phillips 5, Leatherbarrow 1. Brit., Robertshaw 32, Lloyd 15, Sharples 12, Phillips 2, Hunt 1, Jones 1.—T. R. Jones, Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Once more the members of the City and Suburban succeeded in holding, July 3, a very fine exhibition of young Canaries, Hybrids and British Birds. Entries numbered about 240, a most excellent gathering, and showing plainly the keenness of the London fanciers. Quality was well up to the usual high standard, in fact in some cases, notably in the novice section, we noticed a distinct advance. The feature of the show was the wonderful class of 40 Clear or Ticked Novice Yorks. Mr. Hannaford won with a very fine specimen of wonderful length. Mr. Runchman put down in the other novice class a grand Cinnamon-marked bird, bred from a well-known winning hen. Sp. best Yorks. and best bird were secured by Mr. F. W. Ayres with a fine big yellow, the envy of all. As usual, Norwich were well to the front, numbering almost as many as the slim ones; quality was excellent, pinched heads and long bodies being notably absent. The clears were a fine lot, that sterling fancier, Mr. F. J. Martin, heading the class with a bonny buff, a bird not particularly taking at first glance, but one that improves upon acquaintance. Messrs. Smith, Curtis, and Butterfield all staged some good typical birds, but the special in this section was secured by a very fine ticked bird put down by Mr. E. C. Offord. It posssesses suhstance, bold head and well filled neck, and should do well with a good moult. Mrs. Stopher won sp. best Ladies' Canary with the winner of the clear class (novices). Borders came up very well indeed with three nice classes. A few very good Scotch Fancies were sent in by Miss L. Jolliffe. In the British there was a capital class of Goldies; sp. best in section went to Mr. Hobden's well-known Bullfinch, in grand fettle. Mr. Hobden's winning Linnet is a capital specimen, and was well put down. As usual, the management was all that could be desired, the genial sec., Mr. V. Wynn, with his winning way of coaxing the entries, was again in a large measure responsible for the success of the show. He received encouragement and able assistance from Mr. and Mrs. Thynne, Messrs. Curtis, Overman, Robertson, Runchman, etc. Mr. J. Robson judged Canaries, and Mr. H. Norman the British and Foreign.

Nor. Champ. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, Martin; 2, vhc, Smith; 3, hc, Curtis. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Curtis; 3, vhc, hc, Butterfield. Amat. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, sp, Offord; 2, 3, Thurley; vhc, Beavington; hc, Burt. A.O.V.: 1, Willis; 2, 3, Thurley. Nov. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, Mrs. Stopher; 3, Robertson; vhc, c, Bailey; vhc, Ratcliffe; hc, Head. A.O.V.: 1, Head; 2, Bailey; 3, vhc, Mrs. Stopher; hc, Robertson. Crest: 1, Wallington. C.B.: 1, Wallington. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Poulton. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, sp, 3, Ayres; 2, c, Scudder; vhc, hc, Glanville. A.O.V.: 1, Glanville. Amat., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, Walker. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Walker. Nov. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, sp, Hannaford; 2, Rumble; 3, vhc, Withers; ex 2, c, Piggins; ex 3, vhc (2), hc, Runchman. A.O.V.: 1, Runchman; 2, vhc, Hannaford; 3, Johnston; vhc, Burch; hc, Smith; c, Woolley. Bord., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, sp, vhc, Hobden; 2, 3, Pegg; hc, Mrs. Salter; c, Mugford. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Sayers; hc, c, Mrs. Salter. Cl. or Tkd. Novice: 1, Miss May Turner. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Mrs. L. Jolliffe, Scotch Fancy; hc, c, Taylor, Rollers. Hyb.: 1, sp, 2, Beavington. A.V., Any Age: 1, Nicholls; 2, Beavington; 3, vhc, Hobden. Golf.: 1, c, Beavington; 2, Eadle; 3, Offord; vhc, Overman; hc, Lathbury. Bullf.: 1, Hobden. Linnet: 1, Mrs. Hobden; 2, Francis; 3, Bowers; vhc, c, Clark; hc, Taylor. Greenf.: 1, Francis; 2, Beavington; 3, Clark. Siskin: 1, Francis; 2, Offord; 3, Beavington; vhc, Smith. Redpoll: 1, Francis; 2, Beavington. Twite: 1, Offord; 2, Beavington; 3, vhc, Clark. Chaffic: 1, Francis; 2, Beavington. A.O.S.: 1, Francis. Yell. Bunting: 1, Nicholls. A.O. Bunting: 1, Francis; 2, Lathbury. Bullf. Hen: 1, Francis; 2, Beavington; 3, vhc, Clark. A.O.S.: 1, 2, Clark. For. Finch: 1, Beavington; 2, Burch. Softbill: 1, Wallington.

WIGAN C.B.S.

Annual N.F. Show, Large Assembly Room, headquarters (Legs of Main Hotel). Upwards of 50 birds faced the judge (Mr. J. Thornton, of Liscard), whose awards met with every satisfaction. Norwich, as usual, were trumps. Yell. Nor.: 1, 2, Nichols and Morgan; 3, McAndrew. Buff: 1, McAndrew; 2, Johnson; 3, Sheard. Gr. Nor.: 1, 3, Ball; 2, McAndrew. Yell. Yorks.: 1, McAndrew; 2, 3, Green. Buff: 1, McAndrew; 2, Hitchen; 3, Green. Bord.: 1, Johnson; 2, 3, Hesketh. Stock: 1, 2, Ball. Linnet: 1, Banks; 2, 3, Barron. Brit.: 1, 2, 3, Barron. Mules: 1, Banks.—Ed. Ball, Hon. Sec.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

3rd young bird show, St. John's Hall, July 7. Entries were in advance of last year by 26. Some splendid Norwich and Yorks. were on show, also a very nice class of British. Sp. champ. Nor., W. H. Phipps; Nov., Carr; best Yorks., Stevens (a novice); best Brit., G. Birch; best Mule, Snow. There was a good attendance; Mr. John Robson judged, and gave every satisfaction. He complimented the members on the improvement of the birds in the Norwich classes.—G. Birch.

(From the catalogue received, we give the principal winners as follows: Nor.: J. Phipps, W. Phipps, G. Birch; Yorks.: Huxley, Harris, White; Mules: Snow; Brit.: G. Birch, E. Birch.; Nov. Nor.: Carr, Keary, Patterson; Yorks.: Stevens, Keary, Eagle.—Ed. "C.B.")

ALFRETON C.B.S.

Annual open N.F. show,, Red Lion Hotel, July 10. As most fanciers around have had rather a disappointing season, entries were scarce, only 45 birds facing the judge, Mr. J. Simms, whose awards gave every satisfaction. Class 1: 1, 2, Vardy. Class 2: 1, Vardy; 2, Adnitt. Class 3: 1, 2, 4, Vardy; 3, Adnitt; 5, Butler and Barlow. Class 4: 1, 3, Green; 2, Sheppard. Class 5: 1, 2, Green; 3, 5, Beardall; 4, Sheppard. Class 6: 1, 3, Sheppard; 2, 4, Green. Class 10, 1, Evans; 2, Beardall; 3, Holt. Class 11: 1, Adnitt; 2, Evans. Class 12: 1, Adnitt; 2, Sawer Bros.; 3, Butler and Barlow. Class 15: 1, Webster; 2, Beardall. Class 16: 1, Spencer; 2, 3, Holt; 4, Webster. Class 17: 1, Spencer; 2, 3, Holt. Class 18: 1, 2, Henshaw; 3, 4, Andrews; 5, Sawer Bros. Class 19: 1, Andrews.—G. Beardall, Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Eleventh annual young bird show, Smaller Queen's Hall. Entries exceeded last year's by 10, and this must be attributed to the zeal of the secretary, Mr. G. Griffiths, in whipping up exhibitors. Yorks. and Bord. were chief features of the champ. section, and there were excellent classes of Norwich and Yorks. in novices. Quality all round was very good, although a few of the birds were going "soft" previous to moulting. Mr. J. Robson judged and gave satisfaction.

Champ.—Nor.: 1, Wade. Yorks., Cl., Tkd.: 1, 2, Rorke; 3, vhc, Smith; hc, c, Harris. Mkd. or Var.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, vhc, Harris; hc, Heath. Bord., Cl. or Tkd., except Gr.: 1, vhc, c, Pegg; 2, 3, Hobden; hc, Marriott. Mkd. or Variег., except Gr.: 1, 2, Marriott. Nov.—Nor.: 1, 3, Nash; 2, hc, c, Jay; vhc, Birch. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, Cooper; 2, Alexander; 3, Runchman; vhc, c, Stevens; hc, Farley. Mkd. or Variег.: 1, Runchman; 2, 3, hc, c, Mrs. Farley; vhc, Alexander. Members.—Bord., Self or Foul Gr.: 1, 2, Hobden. Crest: 1, Pegg. Mules and Hyb.: 1, Hobden. Bred 1915: 1, 2, Snow. Brit.: 1, Hobden (Bullfinch); 2, Birch (Greenfinch); 3, vhc, hc, Marriott. Diploma, best champ. bird, Rorke; novice, and spl. best Nov., Runchman; spl. best Nor., Nash (a novice); Yorks., Rorke; Bord., Marriott; best lady's nov. and most points, Mrs. Farley.—G. Griffiths, Hon. Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

F.F. and British show, Porth Hotel, July 8, with quite a creditable entry for so small a number of exhibitors, and a really level lot of birds, nicely arranged in a well-lighted room, but none too large for the number of visitors. Every credit is due to the show manager, Mr. Legg, sec., Mr. Bevan, and stewards, Messrs. Gilbert and Addis, a most courteous set of fanciers, and to Messrs. Gilbert, Escott and James, Baker, Emanuel, Hillman, Payne, and Mrs. Davies, for a nice lot of cash and other specials. Sp., best Yorks. and cup best in show, fell to Mr. Woods, with a smart var. buff; best Nor. and best Brit., Messrs. Escott and James; best Bord., Hubband. Mr. E. J. Davies, Cardiff, judged.

Yorks., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Woods, wing tick, not over large, slim, nice pos. and qual.; 2, Hillman, promising; 3, Baker. Buff: 1, 2, Woods, cl., fine size, pos. and qual., 2nd close up, trifle open tail; 3, Hillman. Var. Yell.: 1, Escott and James, lightly mkd., good length, col. and qual., trifle short in neck; 2, 3, Woods, heavily var., long and slim, 3rd good length, well filled. Buff: 1, sp., cup, 2, Woods, heavily var., long, slim, good head and pos., well filled in, 2nd extra long, not so good in feather; 3, Escott and James, light var., lovely feather and pos.; 4, Baker. Self or Foul, Gr. or Cinn. 1, 3, Woods, grand, long-sided buff, well filled, 3rd similar, but drops tail; 2, Escott and James, yell., smaller, lovely pos., looks like good hen. Bord., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Hubband, nicely moulded cl., well filled, sweet head, good col.; 2, 4, Woods, close up; 3, Beasant, real good bird, breaking into moult. Buff: 1, 3, Woods, cl. 1st, good head and neck, nicely trained. Var. Yell.: 1, Woods, fourpointed, good all round. Buff: 1, sp., 3, Hubband, eye mkd., good all round; 3rd, lovely feather, but crosses wings; 2, vhc, Woods, very smart cinn. mkd.; 4, hc, Beasant. Nor., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Escott and James, cl., not over large, but nice type and qual. Buff: 1, spl, 2, 4, vhc, Escott and James, 1st cl., grand head and chest, nice qual and taper, easy win; 3, sp., Bevan, chubby, rather soiled. Var. Yell.: 1, 2, Escott and James. Buff: 1, Legg, lovely type and qual., medium size, very nice at waist; 2, Escott and James, fine qual.; 3, Bevan, promising bird, too young yet. Self or Foul Gr. or Cinn.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Legg, 1st cobby yell., nice size and qual., 2nd cinn. mkd. buff, fine subs. and qual., loses through broken tail, 3rd self green; vhc, hc, Escott and James. Mules: 1, sp., Emanuel, buff Goldf., good size, col. and qual., fine head and blaze; 2, Gilbert, same cross, smaller, but very nice; 3, Hillman, Linnet, pretty, but small; 4, Escott and James. Goldf.: 1, sp., Escott and James, grand expansive blaze, extra good col., nice qual.; 2, 3, Emanuel, 2nd not quite the blaze or col. of winner, but neater and better staged, close thing; 4, Hillman; vhc, Gilbert. Bullf.: 1, Caddy, good type, col., and feather; 2, Hillman, smaller, good col.; 3, Legg, large hen, fine cond.; 4, Escott and James. Greenf. or Linnet: 1, 3, Escott and James, good col. Linnet, well mkd., fine polish and cond., hard pressed by 2, 4, Gilbert, better type, wonderful whites, falls bit in col. and polish; vhc, hc, Hillman. Siskin, Etc.: 1, 2, Legg, smart, nice col., well mkd. 'Poll, lovely qual., good bib, 2nd larger, good col., not so neat, wild; 3, Hillman, smaller and neater, but lost tail; all Redpolls. Chaff. or Bramble: 1, Hillman.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Members' annual young bird show, July 6, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane. Entries were below those of last year, for owing to a poor breeding season, many members were unable to exhibit. Champion Yorks. and novice Norwich were well represented, and some very fine exhibits were to he seen. Mr. A. G. Cant again managed the show, being ably assisted by Mr. Frank Cole. Mr. J. Hodder judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

Champ. Nor. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, Burton Bros.; 2, 3, Cole. Mkd. or Var.: 1, 2, Cole. Bord.: 1, 2, Burton Bros. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Clarke; hc, Hall; c, Fairman. Mkd. or Var.: 1, 2, Clarke; 3, Fairman; 4, Hall; vhc, hc, Cant. Nov. Nor. Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, Gardner; 3, c, Gilbert; 4, Dracup; vhc, hc, Whiffin. Mkd. or Var.: 1, 2, Dracup; 3, 4, Gardner; vhc, Whiffin. Yorks., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, 2, 3, Gilbert. Special winners: Gardner, Gilbert, Clarke, Burton Bros.—D. Reeks, Hon. Sec.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Meeting and combined show of F.F. and Brit. Judges: Nor., Yorks., and Bords., Mr. Young, Rutherglen; Brit., Mr. Blackstock, Glasgow. There was a splendid turnout, over 60 entries being staged, and quality was excellent. Nor. Cl., or Tkd. Yell.: 1, sp, Thorn; 2, Crawford; 3, P. Thorn; 4, Cummings. Buff: 1, 4, hc, Crawford; 2, sp, J. Thorn; 3, Cummings; vhc, P. Thorn. A.O.V.: Yell.: 1, P. Thorn; 2, 3, 4, Crawford. Buff: 1, 2, J. Thorn; 3, 4, vhc, Crawford. Yorks. Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, 3, Gibb; 2, sp, 4, Pinnock; vhc, hc, Houston. Buff: 1, sp, 2, Gibb; 3, Houston. A.O.V. Yell.: 1, Pinnock. Bord., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, sp, 2, Loan; 3, Brown. Buff: 1, 2, Loan; 3, Brown; 4, Ingram; vhc, Paterson; hc, Phillips. A.O.V. Yell.: 1, 3, Loan; 2, 4, Phillips. Buff: 1, Graham; 2, sp, 3, Loan; 4, Brown; vhc, Houston; hc, Phillips. Chaff.: 1, Manson; 2, Taylor; 3, Brown. Bramble: 1, Taylor; 2, Davidson; 3, Manson. Bunting: 1, Taylor. Small Brit.: 1, Davidson; 2, sp, 3, Taylor; 4, Manson. For. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Taylor. Three new members admitted: Messrs. Boullet, Mason, Thomson; proposed, Mr. Hanna. Vote of thanks to judges and president brought a pleasant meeting to a close; no meeting in July.—John Houston, Sec.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

F.F. show, Village School, Alexandria, July 3. There was a splendid turnout of birds, and competition throughout was very keen, especially in Borders, among which were many promising youngsters. Mr. W. Connolly, Glasgow, judged, and got through in good time. His awards were received with satisfaction. Nor. Yell.: 1, McKinnon; 2, McIntyre; 3, Davidson. Buff: 1, McIntyre; 2, Davidson. Variег.: 1, sp, best Nor., Caulfield; 2, McMartin; 3, 4, Ritchie. Crest or C.B.: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, Abraham. Yell. Bord., Cl. or Tkd.: 1, sp, 2, McLean; 3, 4, Donaldson. Buff: 1, 4, Campbell; 2, 3, McLean. Variег.: 1, 2, Campbell; 3, McMartin; 4, Gillies. Yorks. Yell.: 1, sp, sp. best Can., McLean, Bonhill; 2, 3, Caulfield; 4, McKinnon. Buff: 1, McLean; 2, 4, Caulfield; 3, McKinnon. Mule or Hyb.: 1, Mallon. Goldf.: 1, 3, sp, sp best Brit., Trotter; 2, Mallon; 4, McInnes. Greenf.: 1, Mallon; 2, Hannah; 3, McKirdy. Mealy Redpoll, or Twite: 1, 2, Trotter. Lesser Redpoll: 1, Trotter; 2, Hannah; 3, Mallon. Bullf.: 1, McInnes; 2, McLean. Linnet: 1, Trotter; 2, Mallon; 3, 4, McIntyre. Siskin: 1, McIntyre. Bramble or Chaffinch: 1, Gillies; 2, 3, F. Trotter. Buntings: 1, Mallon. Hen: 1, Trotter. Mule or Hyb.: 1, McInnes. For. Goldf.: 1, Trotter, Dumbarton. Thanks are due to the donors of specials, and to the fanciers who helped to make the show such a success.—John Hannah, Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Young bird show, July 3, St. George's Schoolrooms, with a capital entry of 197. Special winners: Best Yorks., Sykes; Nor., Baldwinson; Bord., Yelland; Nov., Firth. J. Sykes won sp. best bird in show with his tkd. yell., after a very hard tussle with H. Firth's cl. buff. Most points, J. Owen; Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged, giving every satisfaction. Yorks. Champ., Cl. Yell. (13): 1, Sykes; 2, 3, Reed and Son; 4, Marsh; vhc, Hall; hc, Norton; c, Ramsden. Tkd. or Var. (8): 1, 2 sps, Sykes; 2, Reed and Son; 3, hc, Ramsden; 4, Norton; vhc, Marsh; c, Hall. Cl. Buff (14): 1, Marsh; 2, Ramsden; 3, c, Norton; 4, Sykes; vhc, Reed and Son; hc, Simms. Tkd. or Var. (11): 1, Marsh; 2, 3, vhc, Hall; hc, Sykes; c, Yelland. Nor. Champ. Cl. Yell. (12): 1, sp, 4, Baldwinson; 2, Wilson; 3, c, Johnson; vhc, Chambers; hc, Mennard. Tkd. or Var. (12): 1, 2, Smith; 3, 4, Baldwinson; vhc, Livingstone; hc, Heald; c, Johnson. Cl. Buff (14): 1, Baldwinson; 2, hc, Norton; 3, Livingstone; 4, Wilson; vhc, Johnson; c, Chambers. Tkd. or Var. (18): 1, Smith; 2, Baldwinson; 3, Livingstone; 4, c, Chambers; vhc, Mennard; hc, Wilson. Bord. (9): 1, sp, 4, Yelland; 2, 3, hc, c, Mennard; vhc, Barnett. Linnet (10): 1, 2, Owen; 3, vhc, hc, Haigh; 4, Simpson; c, Middleton. Goldf. or Bullf. (7): 1, 2, Owen; 3, 4, vhc, hc, Haigh; c, Middleton. Redpoll, etc. (10): 1, 2, vhc, Owen; 3, hc, Middleton; 4, c, Haigh. Greenf. (10): 1, 4, Owen; 2, 3, hc, Haigh; vhc, Mennard; c, Simpson. A.O. Hardbill (9): 1, 4, hc, Middleton; 2, c, Haigh; 3, vhc, Owen. Mule or Hyb., 1915 (3): 1, 2, 3, Haigh. Nov. Yorks., Cl. Yell. (4): 1, 3, Watkinson; 2, Sanderson; 4, Firth. Tkd. or Var. (7): 1, 3, Watkinson; 2, Firth; 4, c, Bott; vhc, Senior; hc, Sanderson. Cl. Buff (9): 1, sp, 2, 4, vhc, Firth; 3, Watkinson; hc, c, Bott. Tkd. or Var. (7): 1, Firth; 2, 3, Watkinson; 4, Bott; vhc, hc, c, Walker. Nov., Nor. Yell. (6): 1, 4, Barnett; 2, hc, Senior; 3, vhc, Lamb. Buff (4): 1, Senior; 2, Barnett; 3, 4, Lamb. Most points, 6 highest birds to count; members' specials: Owen 40, Baldwinson 33. Section specials: Yorks.: Marsh 21, Sykes 20, Reed and Son 20; Nor.: Baldwinson 33, Smith 20; Brit.: Owen 40, Haigh 31; Bord.: Mennard 14, Yelland 11; Nov.: Firth 33, Watkinson 32. Mr. E. Hattersley's medal, 3 highest birds: Baldwinson 20, Sykes 18, Watkinson 18. E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

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THE SHOWS.

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ACCRINGTON C.B.S.

F.F. show, July 10. Mr. Swales, sen., Blackburn, judged, and gave general satisfaction. Nor. Yell.: 1, 2, Crawshaw; 3, Hirst; vhc, hc, Hartup. Buff: 1, 3, Hirst; 2, Hartup. Yorks. Yell.: 1, Crawshaw; 2, Hirst. Buff: 1, Crawshaw; 2, Hirst. Nov. Yell. Nor.: 1, Stuttard; 2, Carus; 3, Parkinson. Buff: 1, 2, Parkinson; 3, Stuttard. Yell. Yorks.: 1, Harwood. Buff: 1, 2, Harwood; 3, vhc, Stuttard. A.O.V.: 1, Walsh; 2, Stuttard. Brit. Hardbill: 1, 3, Walsh; 2, Hirst. Softbill: 1, 2, 3, Walsh. Winner of Harold Baker challenge cup; W, Crawshaw; runner-up and sp. three best birds, W. Parkinson.—D. Harwood, Sec.

PARTICK C.B.C.

F.F. show, Forresters' Halls, July 3. A fine lot of birds were staged. Judges: Yorks., and Bords., Mr. J. Pinnock; Nor., Mules, etc., Mr. J. Brown; and their placings gave general satisfaction. Nor. Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, 2, sp, Maxwell; 3, Fraser. Buff: 1, 2, Maxwell; 3, Fraser. Variegs.: 1, Fairweather; 2, 3, Fraser. Borders, all Fairman, a nice team. Yorkshires, Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, sp., best bird in hall, Park; 2, 4, 5, Anderson; 3, Aikenhead. Buff: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, Park; 4, sp, Aikenhead. Varieg. Yell.: 1, 2, Park; 3, sp, Anderson. Buff: 1, Anderson. A.O.V. Can.: Webster. Dk. Mule: 1, 4, Webster; 2, McGregor; 3, Fraser.—J. F. Park, Sec.

TARBRAX C.B.S.

F.F. show, July 3, Institute Hall. 60 birds were staged, all of good quality. Mr. T. Kean, Edinburgh, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Ck.: 1, 2, I. Gilmour; 3, D. Agnew. Hen: 1, J. Haddow; 2, Agnew; 3, Gilmour. Buff Cock: 1, Haddow; 2, Agnew; 3, N. McKinven. Hen: 1, McKinven; 2, 3, Gilmour. Variegs. Yell.: 1, Gilmour; 2, J. Taylor; 3, McKinven. Buff: 1, Agnew; 2, Haddow; 3, Taylor. Gr. or Cinn. Yell.: 1, 2, Gilmour; 3, Agnew. Buff: 1, 2, McKinven; 3, Agnew. Nor. Yell.: 1, Gilmour; 2, 3, Agnew. Buff: 1, Agnew. A.O.V.: 1, Agnew; 2, 3, McKinven. Novice: 1, A. Dundas; 2, Mrs. Pennycook; 3, F. Whyte. Spls. best Lord., J. Harrow; best Nor., I. Gilmour.—C. Taylor.

GLASGOW, WEST OF SCOTLAND.

F.F. Show, July 3, Nelson Temp. Hotel. Although lacking in numbers, some very promising youngsters were staged. Mr. J. W. Black's el. yel. Norwich cock being greatly admired. Messrs. P. Houston and C. Martin judged, and their awards gave every satisfaction. Nor., Cl. Yell.: 1, sp., and sp. best bird, 2, sp., Black; 3, Hutchinson; 4, Wood. Buff: 1, Hutchinson; 2, Black; 3, 4, Wood. Var. Yell.: 1, Hutchinson. Buff: 1, Hutchinson. Green or Cinn.: 1, 2, 3, Eaglesham. Bord., Cl. Yell.: 1, sp., 2, J. Fraser; 3, Smart. Buff: 1, 2, Fraser; 3, Black. Var. Yell.: 1, Fraser; 2, Lawrie. Buff: 1, Fraser. Yorks., Yell.: 1, sp., 2, 3, Lawrie. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Lawrie. Messrs. M'Donald, Coates, Haskett and Cook were admitted to membership. A vote of thanks to Messrs. Houston and Martin closed the show.—Wm. Hutchinson, Sec.

GREAT HORTON (Good Intent).

F.F. show, July 10, Grange Congregational School, All Saints' Road, Bradford; judge, Mr. L. Dykes; 49 birds were staged. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks. (11): 1, 2, Ackroyd; 3, Firth; 4, hc, Oldfield; vhc, Bartle; c, Warburton. Buff (19): 1, Bartle; 2, vhc, hc, Firth; 3 c, Ackroyd; 4, Widdop. Mkd. Yell. (3): 1, Whitaker; 2, Widdop; 3, Firth. Buff (6): 1, Holden; 2, 3, Warburton; 4, Self: vhc, Whitaker; hc, Firth. Nor. (6): 1, 2, 4, Kaberry; 3, Bartle; vhc, hc, Jowett. Buff (8): 1, 3, Schofield; 2, 4, hc, Kaberry; c, Jowett. Most points: Ackroyd 19, Bartle 17, Kaberry 17, Firth 16, Schofield 12, Warburton 10. Points up to date for cup: Firth 35, Bartle 27, Ackroyd 22, Kaberry 20, Schofield 18, Self 15, Salt 12, Warburton 10, Whitaker 8, Oldfield 6, Widdop 6, Holden 5, Jowett 4, Whitaker 3.—A. Firth, Sec.

DERBY C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 10, at Melbourne, members and friends making the journey by brakes; on arrival the birds were staged, and the judges (Mr. Pegg Nor. and Mr. Cockenum Yorks) had quite a busy time; 46 Nor., 32 Yorks, and 22 Brit. and Mules constituted the list. After judging tea was partaken of, and visits made to the various strawberry gardens for which Melbourne is noted. The party returned to Derby having spent a most enjoyable outing. Cl. Yell. Nor: 1, Jordan; 2, W. Roberts; 3, vhc, C. Roberts. Buff: 1, hc, Morrell; 2, W. Roberts; 3, vhc, Cratchley; c, Oliver. Tkd., etc. Nor.: 1, Oliver; 2, W. Roberts; 3, Jordan; vhc, Parnell. Buff: 1, Twells; 2, Cratchley; 3, vhc, Oliver; hc, Smith; c, Jordan. Heavily Var.: 1, hc, Morrell; 2, Oliver; 3, Hunt; vhc, Jordan. Cl. or Tkd. Yell. Yorks: 1, Mockeridge; 2, hc, c, Pass; 3, York; vhc, Barton. Buff: 1, vhc, Barton; 2, Illsley; 3, Mockeridge; hc, Elkins; c, Smith. A.O.V. Yorks: 1, 2, Elkins; 3, c, Wood; vhc, York; hc, Illsley. Crests: 1, 2, Stevens. Mule or Hyb.: 1, hc, c, Parnell; 2, 3, vhc, Sommer. Nov. Nor.: 1, vhc, Hurst; 2, 3, Hunt. British (name ending Finch): 1, Barton; 2, hc, c, Watts; 3, Ramm; vhc, Jordan. Linnet, etc.: 1, Watts; 2, vhc, c, Ramm; 3, Barton.—F. W. Jordan, Hon. Sec.

SHETTLESTON C.B.C.

Meeting and F.F. Show, Good Templars' Hall, July 10; Mr. E. Taylor, chair, supported by a good turnout. D. Dobson was elected a member. An apology was read by E. Taylor, president, from J. Irvine, sec. of Shettleston, Carntyne C.B.S. The annual F.F. show proved very good in numbers and quality. Mr. W. Hutchieson, Glasgow, judged, and his awards were well received. Nor., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Divens; 2, D. Taylor; 3, Hood; 4, Williams. Buff: 1, 2, Divens; 3, Houston; 4, Williams. Varieg. Yell.: 1, Carrick. Buff: 1, D. Taylor; 2, Houston; 3, Davidson; 4, Hood. Crest: 1, Hood. Bord., Cl. or Tkd. Yell.: 1, Bowman; 2, Howieson; 3, Scott; 4, McLaren. Buff: 1, Scott; 2, Howieson. Varieg. Yell.: 1, 2, McLaren. Buff: 1, Bowman; 2, Howieson. Yorks. Yell.: 1, 2, 3, Baird; 4, Howieson. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Baird; 4, Howieson. Mules: 1, 2, 3, Forrest. Hardbill: 1, Divens; 2, 4, E. Taylor; 3, Forrest. Softbill: 1, 2, E. Taylor. Prize money paid, 1st 7d., 2nd 5d., 3rd 3d.—S. F. Wood, Sec.

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Annual N.F. show, Co-operative Hall, Hazel Grove, June 26. Mr. J. Raynes judged, and gave every satisfaction. Entries were down this year, only 68 birds being staged, but quality was well maintained, several promising birds being shown, both in Champion and Novice. Champ. Yorks., Cl. Yell.: 1, 3, Hird; 2, 4, Potts. Buff: 1, 2, Hird; 3, 4, Potts. Tkd., etc., Yell.: 1, 3, Potts; 2, Hird. Buff: 1, 2, Hird. Nor. Cl. Yell.: 1, Bennett; 2, Stafford; 3, Sykes; 4, Beswick; vhc, Bowden. Buff: 1, 2, Bennett; 3, 4, hc, Bowden; vhc, Marsland. Tkd., etc., Yell.: 1, Stafford; 2, vhc, Bowden; 3, 4, Bennett; hc, Beswick. Buff: 1, Marsland; 2, 4, Stafford; 3, Beswick; vhc, Bennett; hc, Sykes; c, Bowden. Bord.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Garbutt; 4, Marsland. A.O.V.: 1, Sykes; 2, Bennett; 3, 4, Beswick. Nov. Yorkshire, Cl. Yell.: 1, Pearson; 2, Milne. Buff: 1, 2, Milne. Tkd. Yell.: 1, 2, Pearson. Buff: 1, 2, Pearson. Nor., Cl. Yell.: 1, 2, Phythian. Buff: 1, Lowe; 2, Phythian. Tkd., etc., Yell: 1, 2, Phythian. Buff: 1, Lowe; 2, Phythian; 3, Pearson.—W. Stafford, Sec.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

Annual N.F. cup show July 3, headquarters, Duke of York; 72 birds were staged; quality all round was grand, many fine youngsters being staged. Mr. J. A. Tonks journeyed over with a grand team of British and Mules and captured all the spoils. Special winners:—Most entries, Bendall; most points, Messrs. Gough and Leach; best birds, Gough and Leach, E. Hall, J. A. Tonks. Mr. W. G. Andrews judged Yorks and Brit., and Mrs. S. N. Taylor Nor., and gave every satisfaction. Nor. Cl. Yell.: 1, 2, Gough and Leach; 3, Garfield; vhc, Crundell; hc, Bendall; c, Gough and Leach. Buff: 1, Gough and Leach; 2, vhc, Hampton; 3, Weaver; hc, c, Garfield. Nor. Mkd. Yell.: 1, Bendall; 2, Weaver; 3, vhc, Leach; hc, Hampton. Buff: 1, Gough and Leach; 2, Bendall: 3, Garfield; vhc, Weaver; hc, Hampton. Variegs. Yell.: 1, Bendall; 2, 3, Gough and Leach; vhc, Crundell. Buff: 1, Weaver; 2, vhc, Bendall; 3, Crundell; hc, Garfield; hc, Hampton. Yorks Cl. Yell.: 1, 3, Hall; 2, c, Hinton; vhc, hc, Gibbons. Buff: 1, Gibbons; 2, Hinton. Mkd. Yell.: 1, Gibbons; 2, 3, Hall. Buff: 1, Hinton; 2, 3, Gibbons. Variegs.: 1, Gibbons; 2, 3, Hinton. Mule 1915: 1, Bendall. Mule Old: 1, 2, 3, Tonks; vhc, Weaver. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, 2, Tonks; 3, hc, Bendall; vhc, Crundell. Greenf. or Linnet: 1, 3, Crundell; 2, Pritchard. Siskin, etc.: 1, 2, Tonks. Nov. Nor.: 1, 2, Miss Cullwich; 3, vhc, Pritchard. Yorks: 1, Pritchard.—J. Gibbons, Press Correspondent.

MANCHESTER AND N.C.O.S.

Twenty-sixth annual N.F. show, July 3, St. Paul's Schools, Bennett Street. Owing, no doubt, to many members being engaged on Government work, the entry was not as good as in previous years. 145 birds were staged, and quality was well up to the usual standard. In Yorks., some birds of exceptional merit were staged, and showed the rapid strides this variety is making in the district. W. H. Tansey won gold medal with a grand team of 4 Yorks.; gold medal for best teams of Hyb. and Brit., W. Hubbard. Other special winners: Best Nor., Cook; Nor. Green, Raynes; Yorks., Tansey; Bord., Coldbeck; Lizard, Millington; Mule, Oldham; novice, Lane. Mr. A. Hirst (Accrington) judged, and gave general satisfaction.

Champ. Nor. Cl. Buff: 1, 2, S. Cook; 3, Smith. Var. Yell.: 1, 2, 3, Smith. Buff: 1, 3, Cook; 2, Raynes. Nor. Green: 1, 4, hc, Raynes; 2, vhc, Hayward; 3, Buckleton. Bord. Yell.: 1, 2, Coldbeck; 3, Walmsley. Buff: 1, 2, Coldbeck; 3, Walmsley. Liz. Gold: 1, 2, 3, Millington. Silver: 1, Millington. Amat., Yorks. Cl. Yell.: 1, 3, 4, Tansey; 2, Wilson; vhc, McTurk; hc, Brown. Buff: 1, Tansey; 2, vhc, Brown; 3, Wilson; 4, Green; hc, c, McTurk. Var. Yell.: 1, 4, vhc, Tansey; 2, hc, Brown; 3, Wilson; c, Tansey. Buff: 1, 2, 3, Brown; 4, vhc, Tansey; hc, McTurk; c, Green. Nor. Yell.: 1, Mitchell; 2, Bowdon; 3, Buckleton. Buff: 1, Bruce; 2, vhc, Mitchell; 3, Bowdon; 4, Dickinson. Var. Yell.: 1, Mitchell; 2, Bowdon. Buff: 1, 2, Buckleton; 3, Mitchell; 4, vhc, c, Dickinson; hc, Bowdon. Nov. Yorks. Yell.: 1, Lane; 2, Dewar. Buff: 1, Dewar. Var. Yell.: 1, Dewar. Buff: 1, Dewar. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Lane. Mule or Hyb.: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Oldham; 3, hc, c, Hubbard. Hen: 1, 2, Strafford; 3, 4, Hubbard. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Hubbard; 2, vhc, Oldman; 4, W. Smith. Linnet: 1, vhc, Oldham; 2, 3, W. Smith; 4, Strafford; hc, Fletcher; c, Bruce. Greenf.: 1, Strafford; 2, Fletcher; 3, Lewis; 4, Oldham. Siskin, etc.: 1, 2, c, Oldham; 3, Bruce; 4, Fletcher; vhc, W. Smith; hc, Hubbard. Chaff or Bramblef.: 1, Strafford; 2, Hubbard. Fcr.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Hubbard. Nov. Goldf. or Bullf.: 1, Lane.—F. Hayward, Hon. Sec.

Several shows unavoidably held over.

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Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—July 21, Y.M.C.A. Hall. Young bird show. Staged 6.30. Judge, Mr. H. Messenger.—R. Elliott.

Bingley O.S.—July 24, Assembly Rooms, 5. Members' F.F. show. Judge, W. B. Atkinson, Thackley. Birds staged at 2.24 prompt.—F. Craven.

Chester-le-Street C.B.S.—July 17, Dun Cow Hotel. N.F. show. 1s. added to entrance money each class. Meeting at show room.—R. Ward.—(Time not stated.—Ed.)

City of Bradford O.S.—July 17, Flying Dutchman, 3. Second members' show. Judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden.—W. Helliwell.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—July 19, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Very important.—F. A. Green.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—July 17, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 6.30. Entries taken for young bird show.—G. T. Lynn.

Darlington C.B.S.—July 21, George Hotel, 7.15. Important business re 2nd N.F. show and election of judge.—F. Stothard.

Falkirk Good Intent C.B.A.—July 31, Temporary Hall, Graham's Road. F.F. show, staged at 2; judge, Mr. J. Jeans, Camelon. Meeting during judging to consider advisability of annual show in Dec., revise rules, and appoint judges.—W. Clarkson.

Halifax O.S.—July 17, Plummet Line Hotel. F.F. show; birds staged 3. Entries taken before staging. Judge, Mr. L. Dykes, Bradford.—H. Clegg.

Leigh C.B.S.—July 21, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Entries close finally at 9 for N.F. show.—R. Charleson.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—July 19, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Paper on the Impressions and Experiences of a Novice, by the Sec., and October show bus.—F. Wilkinson.

Northern C.C.—July 21, Lockhart's Cafe, 65, Grainger Street, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 7.30. Subs. due.—Geo. Dobson.

North Manchester C.B.S.—July 20, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Special business for table show and November show. New members invited. Aug. 3, Headquarters, 8. Table show, young birds: Nor., Yorks., Bord., and Brit.; fee, 3d. per cage.—A. Colley.

Plymouth W.C.O.S.—July 20, Oddfellows' Hall, Morley Street, 8. General business and election of judges for 3rd N.F. show, July 21.—W. Luscombe.

Sunderland C.B.A.—July 17, Station Street Cafe, 7. N.F. show, class for each variety. Fee, 3d. per cage; birds staged, and judging commences at 7. Judge, Mr. Clark. Meeting to follow.—J. Peacock.

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Wombwell B.F.S.—July 24, Wesleyan Reform Schoolroom. N.F. show. Staged not later than 8.—J. W. Dean.

West Stanley Victoria F.F. and C.B.S.—July 18, Club Room, 7. Confirming schedule and other important business.—R. Hutchinson.

Witney C.B.S.—July 17, Horse and Groom, 3. 2nd N.F. show. Judge, Mr. J. H. Fowle.—W. Chapman.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—July 22, Duke of York, Princess Street. N.F. show; birds staged 7.30. Nor. Yell., ditto Buff, Yorks. Yell., ditto Buff.—W. Harrison.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

MRS. J. P. and J. O'H.—Replied to by post.

EFFECT OF DISINFECTANT (E. V.).—I do not think that the use of the disinfectant wash and rinsing the cages afterwards is in the least likely to be the cause of the bird's death from ulceration of the intestines. By the bye, how did you arrive at this diagnosis? I take it you are quite satisfied that it is correct, though it would have been better to have mentioned the symptoms which led you to this conclusion. You will, of course, lose a bird occasionally, even under the most scientific management. It is only in the natural order of things that birds should die some time, and it may be but the merest coincidence that this one died whilst you were in the habit of washing out the cages weekly with the disinfectant. Anyway, so long as you rinse the things well afterwards, you need have no qualms whatever about using either of the fluids you name, even though you used it on the food and water vessels. You should not neglect wiping the wires dry after rinsing to prevent rust or verdigris forming, which might be harmful if the birds pecked it off the wires.

HENS NOT FEEDING (J. F. P.).—If, as you say, the hens you now have come from a good feeding strain, I fail to see the purpose of clearing them all out and "trying to get in touch with a breeder with a good feeding strain." You ought to have that class of material already according to your statement. As they are all first season hens I think you may very reasonably give them another chance next season, though it would be judicious to try to get one or two known good feeders to have in readiness in case of need as foster parents. It is quite too late now to get fresh stock with the idea of breeding with it this year. Indeed, it is now time you began to break up your pairs for the moulting season, which will soon be in full swing. Moult the hens in good large flights where they can get plenty of vigorous exercise, keep them on a plain and wholesome diet through the winter months, aim at having them in good hard condition next spring, put them up for breeding in a bright and pleasant and well ventilated place, but not where they will be exposed to much disturbance, and do not mate until some time about the end of March, and I think it quite likely that these same hens will give a good account of themselves. Begin with the method of treatment given in "Canary Breeding" for ordinary cases, and do not vary it without absolute necessity, and, what is still more important, do not interfere with the birds' domestic affairs if you can possibly avoid it.

STILL WHEEZES (J. F. P., Leyton).—(1) The bird is undoubtedly improving, but now, with the moult so near at hand, it is rather doubtful if the wheezing will quite disappear until the moult is over. See that it is kept from direct draughts, and when the moult gets in full swing keep the bird rather on the warm side. Go on giving the squills mixture every second day in alternate weeks for a month or six weeks, and cease giving the cod liver oil emulsion. Instead of the latter, give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar twice a week, or you may vary this occasionally by substituting a small teaspoonful of egg food, (2) I am no advocate of depriving young Canaries of pure water from the time they are taken away from their parents. I always put on a vessel of pure plain water from the time they are separated, and have yet to find that any ill effect arises from the practice.

SWELLING ON THROAT (Lump).—You should have described the swelling as nearly as you could, as to size and substance—whether hard or soft, its colour, and whether it appeared to contain fluid or solid contents. You ought also to have said what you mean by "sudden appearance," as a large swelling does not as a rule appear all at once. In the absence of more details I can only guess what may be wrong, and the most likely thing that occurs to me is that it is a case of emphysema. This surmise would be strengthened if the bird was in vigorous song at the time the swelling appeared. Try the following treatment for two or three weeks, and if not then well, write again and give the fullest particulars you can. In addition to the usual seed diet, give every third day a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, and every second day for a week add to the drinking water six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea. After this give instead six drops of dilute sulphuric acid and four of tincture of gentian every second day for a week or fortnight. If there appears to be an accumulation of air under the skin, you may carefully prick the skin with a clean needle and allow it to pass off.

NO STOPPING THEM (E.M.T.).—(1) Very glad to hear that you are now succeeding so well. As regards your departure from the pure egg yolk for the young for the first day after hatching, I certainly do not quarrel with you for adding a little bread to it from the first, if you think the young do better. The giving of pure yolk is not absolutely essential, and, in fact, depends somewhat upon the character of the hen in any given case. Hope your success will continue. (2) It should be an easy matter to stop the hens nesting again. Take away the cocks when the hens begin to sit now, and do not return them in any case. If the hens lay a casual egg when the young are leaving the nest, or even a full clutch, throw them away, and as soon as the young can be placed on their own put the hens in flight cages, and keep apart from the cocks. The loss of a few stray eggs is better than allowing the hens to at-

CANARY QUERISTS

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tempt nesting again now. (3) The trouble with egg-laying was doubtless the reason of the hen not feeding the young. You should have kept her quite warm for a day or so, and added a pinch of Epsom salts and ten drops of lemon juice to the water to correct the trouble with the soft food. (4) I cannot tell why the hen left the eggs just before they were due to hatch and refused to return to them. It is one of those things for which no sound reason can be assigned. You, however, did the right thing in giving them to the other hen which you had available. (5) It is quite unimportant whether eggs that fail to hatch are removed from the nest. They may serve a useful purpose if left alone until the young are about a week old, especially in the case of very small broods, by preventing the hen sitting too closely on the young.

EYE TROUBLE (Miss E. G. A.).—See that the birds are not exposed to any strong direct draughts. Keep cages and perches as clean as possible; and do not mix up the food and water vessels until the trouble has quite disappeared. Make a decoction by placing six or eight camomile flowers—obtainable from most chemists—in a large teacup, fill up with boiling water, cover over, and allow it to infuse beside the fire for an hour or so. Then strain off the clear liquor, add the bowl of a teaspoonful level full of sulphate of zinc and 30 drops of tincture of opium. Bathe the eyes with a little of this liquor every morning and evening until well, using a little fresh liquor and a fresh dossil of wool for each bird, and burn at once that which has been used. It will also help matters if you add to the drinking water as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice for two consecutive days in each week, and about every third day give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar, in additon to the usual diet.

REMEDY WANTED (Fancier).—(1) What you need much more than a remedy to remove effects is to eliminate the exciting causes of the condition, and thereby prevent the trouble arising. Medicinal treatment, without removing the cause is, as I am frequently pointing out, worse than useless. The hen appears to be suffering from serious bronchial trouble, and it is doubtful if you will now be able to do more than relieve her. The fact that tho cock was beginning to show similar symptoms was doubtless due to his being exposed to the same influences, and not to his being caged with the hen. See that the birds are kept in a fairly equable temperature, and quite free from direct draughts, and do not hang them high up near the ceiling, near or over burning lights in the evenings, nor where they will be exposed to sudden extremes of temperature. Then you may try the following treatment with some chance of success. In addition to the usual seed diet, give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed, every third day. On the intervening days give a little green food, or any of the wild seeds that are now so abundant. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, tincture of lobelia, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight, then omit it for a week, and then resume, and give it for another fortnight. (2) The cock is not likely to resume singing now until after the moult, but will probably do so soon after, without any special treatment.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS

Answered by H. NORMAN.

EGG HATCHED UNDER CANARY (Charlie's Aunt).—You did not send your name and address in accordance with our rules. Will you please send these on a postcard? The bird you have hatched out under your Canary and succeeded in rearing is a young Greenfinch. When he moults next month he will lose the peculiar markings and show the adult plumage of the species. The wings will remain as they are now. The bird will only be of value as a Canary-reared Greenfinch suitable for Hybrid production. For this purpose, if it should turn out to be a hen, so much the better. The cock Greenfinch is a rather pleasing vocalist. The song is somewhat mellow, but generally spoilt by a long drawn out "zee" at the end.

MULE NOT SINGING (W. Pengelly).—Your bird evidently requires attention. You should catch him and trim his nails with a sharp pair of scissors. Hold the bird's foot up to the light, and you will see a vein running down the nail; trim not quite so short as this, or the foot will bleed. Then return him to a thoroughly new or clean cage, and hang in a different position. I expect the one he is in is infested with insects. Feed the bird as you are now doing, with just a little extra hemp, and a spoonful of egg food twice a week. It is possible he will have his proper moult now, so you will not get any song out of him until he is quite through. Put a small teaspoonful of Chemical Food in his drinking water (boiled water) for three days, then miss three and repeat. Give all the wild seed you can collect.

SEX OF CHAFFINCH (M. Walker).—Your bird is certainly not a cock Chaffinch. This bird has a ruddy breast, blue crown to the head, and is really a bright cheerful looking bird. In addition to this, had your bird been a cock he would have been singing during the spring and early summer.

MOULTING A ROBIN ("Alpha").—Your Robin will go into moult shortly, and requires at that period a little more generous treatment, particularly in the matter of insect food. Beyond this I think your general treatment is quite good enough. He likes a pinch of Canary seed occasionally, and also fruit. These you should add to his bill of fare. Supply the bath regularly; he will take to it again presently. (2) You could clip one wing of your Magpie, and no doubt by the time he moults and it grows again he will have settled down. If you leave his cage door open, with some food always in it, he will return to feed, and possibly roost there.

NIGHTINGALE AND BLACKCAP (H. Martin).—It is just possible your bird has had a slight mishap whilst bathing, and so is now somewhat shy. I gather from your letter that you have a pool of water in your aviary; if so, this should be filled up for a time with stones, leaving only very small pools of water. When the bird takes to bathing again the stones could be removed gradually, so as to allow more room for him. If you can get him to bathe regularly, it will do him more good than any medicine. Vary his food with a good brand of insectile mixture, with scraped raw carrot, new ones can be obtained now. (2) The cause of your Blackcap losing the feathers round the neck is probably bird lice, not red mite. If he recovers his health and bathes regularly he may lose them in the outside aviary. Make the same alteration in his food as advised for the 'Gale, but be extra liberal with fruit. Give ripe currants, bananas, raspberries, pears, etc., as they come in season. There is no better food than these for the Blackcap. In a wild state he almost lives on fruit during the summer and autumn, and you cannot do better than imitate nature as near as possible.

BRAMBLEFINCH WITH WEAK CLAW (J.L.P.).—A weak hind claw is unfortunately far too common among cage birds, and in a good many cases it is impossible of cure. But there is always hope for young birds. Remove your present perches, and re-

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Moult British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

place them with thin ones, not thicker than a stout lead pencil; this will frequently effect a cure. Catch the bird and massage the claw between the finger and thumb, just greasing it slightly with vaseline; this should be done twice a day if possible. Keep the perches rather low, look after his general health, and let him bathe frequently.

COLOUR-FEEDING BRITISH BIRD (I. Pratton).—You should commence to colour-feed your bird at once; it is a mistake to wait until the moult has started. The first sign of the moult is a few loose feathers on the floor of the cage, and a roughness in plumage. The new feathers first appear on each side of the breast. If you do not commence to give the colour before this, the bird will have a patchy appearance when he is finished.

HEN GOLDFINCH FOR BREEDING (A. King).—A breeding hen Goldfinch will pair with a cock Canary, but this is not the usual way of producing Goldfinch Mules. The reason is that the hen Goldfinch is not to be relied upon to incubate and rear the young. It always appears to me that a hen British bird is wasted when paired with a cock Canary. She should be mated to a cock British, to produce rarer Hybrids. A good mate for your Goldie would be a Linnet or Greenfinch. I fear it would be too late to do anything this season unless the hen was anxious to go to nest, and you could put in a mate for her at once. (2) An ordinary cock Canary would cost about 10s.

TREATMENT OF GOLDFINCH MULE (Anxious).—The feathers probably will not grow again until the bird has moulted; you could assist them by applying just a smear of vaseline or fresh lard. I am glad the treatment proved so far successful; you had better discontinue the salts, anyway for the present. The indisposition would be a premonitory symptom of the moult, and you should be careful that he does not take cold. I would advise you to moult him indoors, in a light, airy room, without a fire. The mixed seed you send is quite a good sample. In addition to this give just a little egg food and a pinch of maw seed three times a week. I fear the bird has had a fright, and possibly hurt the foot. You had better bathe it in a solution of boracic acid (a teaspoonful to a cup of warm water). Perhaps you have been rather overdoing the salts, and he has consequently got a bit low in condition. Anyway, your treatment now should lean rather to a generous one, so as to assist him through the moult.

BULLFINCHES NOT NESTING (Novice).—Although the Bullfinch hen is generally very prolific, it is by no means unusual for one to refuse to go to nest. Treatment has something to do with this, so does the age of the bird. She may be old and played out, or quite young, and missing her first season, as many birds do, even in a wild condition. The fact of your having two birds not nesting makes me inclined to think your treatment at fault. For breeding purposes, birds do not require to be fat; healthy condition is the main factor. The laying hen is frequently in poor condition although healthy. The fact of your purchasing the birds proves nothing; they may not have nested with their former owners. I would advise you to somewhat reduce fat-forming food; feed liberally on seeding wild plants, and a little soaked seeds occasionally. The best food of all you can give them now is plants smothered with green fly; these parasites you can find in plenty on weeds struggling for existence along crowded hedgerows and under leafy trees. I would advise you in future to rely more upon wild caught hens, procured direct from the catcher, or from a dealer having a regular supply. Buy in the autumn.

MULE BREEDING WITH GOLDFINCH (F.E.M.).—I am glad to hear you have done well with your Linnet and Canary, but there is no reason why you should have not done equally as well with the Goldie. The methods of management are practically the same, excepting that you cannot, as a rule, trust the Goldfinch with the eggs. He should be shut off by himself overnight when the hen is expected to lay. Your Finches should be in breeding trim by now, and if the hens go to nest you may expect fertile eggs. A clear beak in the Finch is not absolutely necessary to success. I have known them to fertilise eggs when they have had quite a distinct mark on it, but as a rule Hybrid breeders look for a clear beak before mating. Your hens must hurry up if they are going to do anything this season. Some are already in moult. Give them all a little egg-food and maw seed daily.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

GREY PARROT (Preswylfa).—(1) Unless there is indigestion, the regurgitation to which you refer is quite natural, and the habit of taking your finger and regurgitating is equivalent to one Parrot feeding another, and a mark of affection towards yourself. So long as you make it clear to the children what they must not give, their giving it wholesome tit-bits at times will not be to its detriment. (2) Cover round the sides of the cage by all means, but leave a portion of the top open for ventilation. The grinding of the beak is again quite natural, but it is also a sign of indigestion—if the latter, it would occur at intervals during the whole day. (3) In a state of nature birds, except those of nocturnal habits, sleep during the hours of darkness and also take a siesta about or just after noon, and in captivity their procedure is about the same. (4) I should say the Nutshell on the Grey Parrot and "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit," which our manager would send you post free for 7d., and reading the query columns would meet your needs. Acute cases of malignant diseases must be dealt with individually, but if a bird is suddenly taken ill acutely, put it in really hot quarters and send in a query at once. A bird that is not subjected to a rapidly changing temperature, kept out of draught, wholesomely fed, and not allowed to become constipated should only suffer from slight ailments, such as are covered in our Nutshell booklet. A teaspoonful of fluid magnesia in the drinking water occasionally should suffice to keep the bowels in good order.

FOR AVIARY CAGE (J. J. P.).—About eighteen birds would be sufficient to put in your cage, merely as a collection of birds, but if you wish to make any attempt at breeding then only put in three pairs. The brightest in plumage as a rule rank as poor songsters. The following should be

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1½); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.) "Colour-feeding" (3½d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2½d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

pleasing; the first half-dozen would be for song, the others principally for gay plumage:—Cocks only of Alario Finch, Grey and Green Singing Finches, Cape Canary, St. Helena Seedeater; also pairs each of Cordon Bleus, Firefinches, Gold-breasted Waxbills, Silverbills, Orange-cheek Waxbills, Avadavats, and Common Waxbills. You could put in all the above as you are able to obtain them. Furnish the cage with twiggy branches all over the back and one end; hang up behind the branches half a dozen or more small rush nests for the Waxbills to sleep in. As regards the aviary outside your window, you would have to proceed on the same lines, as small greenhouses are so fixed. You must first firmly secure several brackets to the wall, and on these nail the floor. I should suggest extending it twelve inches beyond the window on each side; these recesses would make good shelters for the birds. On the flooring you would erect your aviary. The roof, ends and back to consist of wood and glass, the portions of roof and back facing the window to be glass covered with half-inch mesh wire netting on the inside, the other portions to be matchboarding. The front of aviary facing the window (almost against it) must be wire netting, containing one large door, to enable you to get at all parts easily for furnishing and spring cleaning, and a smaller door for general attendance—such as cleaning the floor and putting in food. The two side recesses be lined all round with twiggy branches and furnished with rush nests. Two dead bushes in pots could stand in the centre part near the back glass.

FEMALE PARROTS AS TALKERS (W. H.).—My experience has been with the general run of the more loquacious species of Parrots that the females talk almost as freely (if not quite) as the males. Some species of Amazons are more talkative than others, and of this group I place the Blue-fronted first; of this species I have come across several talented females, but of the majority of Parrots kept their owners do not know their sex.

SHY TALKER (C.A.M.).—It is the individualism of one particular bird, for which there is no accounting. Why not vary the programme? Let someone else do the general feeding and cleaning, and confine yourself to giving it tit-bits, fondling, etc. Many thanks for appreciative remarks.

WHAT PARRAKEET? (J. P.).—So far as it is possible to be definite, apart from a drawing, your birds are Orange-flanked Parrakeets, with a value at the present time of from 50s. to 60s., according to condition. Their main dietary should consist of canary seed, white millet, and a few oats, green food and fruit if they will take it; also grit (not sand), cuttlebone and water. Grit should be given cautiously at first, if they have been deprived of it for some time—i.e., gradually accustom them to it by giving them only a pinch, once a day at first, then twice a day and so on, gradually increasing the quantity, ultimately leaving a supply in the cage continuously.

BUDGERIGAR WITH WEAK FEET (Topsy).—Give it three drops of castor oil direct to the beak, then a few hours later give it the same quantity of cod liver oil emulsion. Supply it with canary and white millet seed, millet spray, and as much seeding and flowering grass as it will eat. Grit, cuttlebone, and water must be continually in the cage. If the bird eats heartily of its seed, etc., and you persevere with the C.L.O. emulsion (this can be given twice daily when you are not giving the castor oil), the bird may regain the use of its legs. Lightly colour the drinking water with chemical food. After the first dose of castor oil only give it as required to keep the bowels moving quite freely, but not watery loose. If there is no improvement in two or three weeks it will be best to painlessly destroy it.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box **direct to Mr. Yates,** with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. **Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away,** and if no fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

Blue Pigeon.—Encephalitis, inflammation of the brain; resulting from this there was a collection of fluid in the cranial cavity causing pressure upon the important motor centres producing paralysis, inability to swallow, and occasional fits. Its origin is traumatic. The bird was very healthy, and contained quite a quantity of fat.

W. Kay.—Septic Fever.

Miss Merritt.—Death occurred from bronchitis. Its throat was very much inflamed and sore, causing difficulty in swallowing. There is no doubt it originated in this position, and later extended to the bronchial tubes.

Miss Holland.—Enteritis following fatty degeneration of the liver.

Avian.—Death occurred from peritonitis arising from septic infection from the oviduct. The hen was otherwise in excellent health.

D.G.—Rupture of a blood vessel on the lungs. The hæmorrhage was extensive, and death must have occurred quickly. Fright or excitement must have been the cause.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

S. T. Willis.—You will find in our Nutshell No. 26, "The Larger Insectivorous Birds," 2½d. post free, from this office, or 2d. from your local newsagent or bird-dealer, instructions for the breeding of mealworms given at greater length than we could possibly give them in this column, and the booklet would also be useful to you for its full instructions as to the proper feeding and keeping of insectivorous birds.

C. V. Liddaman.—You may enter your birds at any open show without being a member of any society, but most societies hold shows confined to their members, these shows being quite separate from the annual open shows (you will see reports of members' shows every week in our columns). In any case, you will, of course, have to take or send your birds to the show in which you enter them. Societies near to your address are: Kensington and St. Quintin's Park F. and F.S., sec., A. J. Foy, 235, Harrow Road; Ealing and Hanwell F.S., sec., R. Bamber, 78, Whitestile Road, Brentford; West London F.A., sec., J. W. Dewhurst, 52, North End Road, W. Kensington. You may obtain particulars of membership and book of fixtures from either of these secs. on application, or you will find a full list of London societies in CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL for 1915. You would do well to visit any of the young bird shows you see announced in our "Club and Society Notices" column, and there you will see exactly how the birds are staged, and could gather useful particulars from any of the officials present.

Dereham.—The bird which frequents your garden is either a hen Blackbird, or a young cock in immature plumage. The hen is always of a blackish brown in colour, and young birds of both sexes resemble her in colour of plumage, but the young cocks gradually become darker and acquire a yellow beak.

W. A. Williams.—The seed head you send is from the Yellow Goats' Beard, known as "Jack, go to bed at noon." The flowers close up each day at noon, hence the popular name.

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TWO Yorkshire hens, 2 Norwich hens, and housemoulted Chaffinch, winner; offers: R. W. Gray, 6, Otley-terrace, Darlington. (371)

SPLENDID yellow Border cock, 12/-; young, 5/- each, cock Goldfinch, 5/-; offers: Hall, "Touchwood," Stanley-rd., Cambridge. (369)

FIVE hen Yorkshires, unflighted, 7/6; also Linnet mule, 1914 bred, full song, 7/-; money returned if not satisfactory: W. Collins, Rake, East Liss. (370)

WANTED, offers: 5 hen Yorkshires, 1 cock, 1 pair Bullfinches, 2 Goldfinches (H.M.), 1 Linnet-Redpoll, Greenfinch cocks, hen Chaffinch: S. Hornsby, 8, Bath-st., Oxford. (370)

GIVEN up, 1 pair Norwich, cock winner, 15/-; house-moulted Goldfinch cock and buff cinnamon hen, 12/6 the pair; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit: Jones, 3, Mountain-st., Carnarvon. (369)

BARGAIN.—Through want of time and plenty mice, six pairs good Norwich, muling pairs, three Goldfinch, Redpoll, Chaffinch, with hen Canaries, £3, cash or deposit: Basten, 266, Windham-rd., Bournemouth. (360)

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WANTED.

WANTED, cock Canaries on song, cash: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (371)

WANTED, anything alive: Jopson's Exchange Stores, Newton Heath, Manchester. (373)

PAIR small breed Quails, cock Alario Finch: Mrs. Thompson, Thornby, Strawberry Hill, Twickenham.

WANTED any quantity of young Yorksbires and Norwich Canaries; state price: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (364)

WANTED, hen Goldfinch Mules, hen Canaries, give 1/3 each for them: J. Flower, 15, Pollard Row, Bethnal Green, London. (354)

WANTED, cock Goldfinch, also brown Linnet, good songsters, for schooling a draft of young birds: Grice, Kelsall, Cheshire. (346)

WANTED, all varieties Canaries, British and foreign birds cheap, cash sent with order: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (350)

WANTED, Amazon Parrot, must be good talker, whistler, price reasonable; approval; no dealers: Richardson, Well-lane, Lincoln. (372)

WHITE hen Java Sparrow, hen Zebra Finch, Silverbills, Waxbills, etc., for outside aviary: Powell, Oakhill Park, Liverpool. (369)

WANTED, to buy all kinds of Canaries and foreign birds; state prices: Mrs. Ellett, Bird and Seed Stores, 104, Kirkgate, Waterfield. (372)

WANTED, large Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also foreign birds and speaking Parrots: Mrs. Martin, 9½, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (241)

WANTED, Canaries, Goldfinch, Linnets, Bullfinches, Larks, and rabbits; established 20 years: T. Green, 22, St. Michael-st., West Bromwich. (370)

WANTED, toy dogs, birds, rabbits, fancy mice, any live stock, for cash or exchange: Syd Mothersole, 20, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (365)

WANTED, Budgerigars and Cockatiels; exchange 1915 Yorkshire cock Canaries (moulted) and 1914 hens: Smith, City Clothing Co., Highbridge. (372)

WANTED, portable outdoor aviary, about 8ft. by 3ft.; letters only; several good stock cages for sale cheap: Coe, 10, Rosendale-rd., Dulwich. (370)

WANTED, two singing cock Canaries in exchange for cock Hawfinch and Greenfinch-Redpoll Hybrid, both the only time shown: Ambly, 82, Wandsworth Bridge-rd., Fulham. (372)

WANTED, 2 wide Fox Terrier pups, 2 months, give splendid cock Greenfinch, also Yorkshire hen Canary, nesting, with double breeding cage, or sell 12/6: Worsley, 11, Hope-st., Bradford, Manchester. (373)

WANTED, Canaries, British and Foreign Birds, Dogs, Guinea Pigs, Pigeons, Rabbits, Monkeys, Rabbits, etc.; purchase or exchange laying pullets, chicks, singing Canaries: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (374)

WANTED

ANY quantity of 1915 Canaries, also any quantity of 1914 male, any varieties, also wanted male and female Goldfinch Mules, good prices given; cash by return of post: Chapman, Bird Dealer, Birmingham. (325)

WANTED, HEN CANARIES

Norwich or Yorkshire, old or young, 18/- a dozen; common or small, 15/- a dozen; Goldfinch Mules, hens, 1/- each; cash or deposit with Editor: Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone. (341)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

IN aviary since January; exchange 4 cock Bramblefinches, for 2 hen Canaries: Rhodes, 273, Stretford-rd., Hulme, Manchester. (361)

FINE young cock Redstart, well moated off, 3/6; offers; Hardbills, Bullies wanted: W. Conie, Newtown, Raunds, Wellingborough. (374)

EXCHANGE, H.M. British and hen Canaries, for good second-hand clothes, waist 32, height 5ft. 4in.: 20, North-st., Herne Bay, Kent. (370)

GRAND cock Chaffinch, twice H.M., 4/-; pair clap-nets, 7 yards, take 4ft. poles, all complete, 5/-; exchange Goldfinches, other British; offers; approval: Garrod, 37, Spencer-rd., Rushden, Northants. (372)

EXCHANGE pair fine Greenfinches, bred young in aviary this time; also two fine cock Chaffinches, all aviary reared, for good safety razor and blades: Bownes, Park-lane, Richards Castle, Ludlow. (374)

Mainly Canaries.

PAIR of Norwich, 7/6; or exchange good Roller cock: E. Taylor, 19b, Station-st., Boston, Lincolnshire. (372)

EXCHANGE Roller cock, 2 hens, double breeder, 16/-; singing cock, hanging cage, 8/-: Bradley, 17, Devonshire-st., Skipton. (373)

EXCHANGE pair of Yorkshires, 1914 bred, for Cockatiels, or Green Budgerigars, adults: Richardson, Well-lane, Lincoln. (363)

PAIR Yorks., four-compartment cage, and cages; exchange housedog, anything; yours first: Roberts, 7, Rhodes-st., Castleford. (372)

MEDIUM sized Norwich hen, 3/-; large hen, 5/-; exchange Roller cock or Bantams: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (370)

FIRST cross Lancs. cock and Crested hen, for pair Yorkshires; 1915 Crested hen for pullets: Fairbrother, Bank-st., Long Eaton. (371)

EXCHANGE pair good Norwich, nesting, for Roller cock, schoolmaster, or sell 25/-; approval both ways: J. Waterfield, 34, Halford-st., Smethwick. (372)

EXCHANGE Norwich 1914 and 1915 for fishing rods and tackle; mutual approval: Hepwood, County Police Office, Albrighton, Wolverhampton.

BARGAIN; matched pair Lizards, gold cock, silver hen, best blood in England; sacrifice 15/-; cock worth £1: H. Coleman, 15, Castle View, Clitheroe, Lancs. (369)

LOT of Norwich Canaries, yellows and buffs, double and single breeders; sell 10/- pair or exchange cycle, watch, anything useful: R. Dunlop, 28, High-st., Irvine. (374)

EXCHANGE pair Borders, value 17/6, for first-class trout fishing rod and basket, no rubbish offered; approval willingly; rod first: Jas. Frame, Burnlea, Kirkliston, Linlithgowshire. (366)

WORKING model steam engine and boiler, steam whistle, 6/-; one dozen travelling cages, wire ends, balance doors, 9d. each, 5/- dozen; 72 penny tins polishing paste, 3/- dozen; Yorkshire show cages, 2/- each, 20/- dozen; one gross mixed drinkers, 5/-; glazier's diamond (not wheel), 7/6; exchange cock Canaries or cock Goldfinches in song, as above goods are new and genuine; birds first: Smith, 27, Swete-st., Plaistow, London. (372)

Mainly Foreign.

LOVELY pair green Budgerigars, 6/6, or exchange for good singing Canary: Hoyland, 19, Temple-st., Tunstall, Staffordshire. (370)

EXCHANGE good talking Parrot and cage, or sell, £4; approval; also mandoline, £1: Norris, 1a, Barnsbury Park, Barnsbury. (370)

YOUNG Amazon Parrot, grand plumage, make grand talker, 40/-; or exchange young Mules or Canaries: Randall, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (374)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE puppy, male, for fishing rod: Hill, 20, North-st., Horsham, Sussex. (371)

WILL exchange cutlery, etc., for surplus live stock; Stratford, 218, Howard-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (215)

EXCHANGE pair clap-nets, 42ft. long, 6ft. high, for whippet or Pom. dog; yours first: 121, Cannock-rd., Chadmore. (371)

WILL exchange bedding, boots, cutlery, etc., for surplus live stock: Stratford, 216, Howard-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (215)

WILL give twenty lots of good bound books for pair of Budgerigars; stamp for list: Sylvester Wright, Shaftesbury. (369)

EXCHANGE, pair clap-nets, 8 yards, 4ft. 6in., for trap cages or Goldfinches, sell 5/6: Busbridge, Tywardreath, Cornwall. (370)

EXCHANGE, large Palace aviary and non-magnetic watch, for pullets to the value: Balmer, Calderbank, By Airdrie. (370)

OFFERS wanted for new cycle and tube, 28 x 1½, Canaries or Mules, songsters: Higgins, 9, Newton-st., Hulme, Manchester. (373)

EXCHANGE 1 Rhode Island Red and 1 White Leghorn hens, 1914, for Roller cock: Smith, 18, Prospect-st., Alfreton, Derbyshire. (372)

BRITISH birds and Canaries for sale, or exchange Bantams, talking Parrot and cage; anything: Bayliss, Middle-st., Worcester. (369)

SMART Fox Terrier dog puppy, make a winner; accept 30/-, or would exchange: T. Weedall, 82, High-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (374)

PARROT cage, large, strong, pair C.F. Norwich, £1, exchange show cages, anything useful: Poore, Harold-st., Smallthorne, Staffs. (371)

WANTED, offer in tipplers or wire Fox Terrier dog, give mandoline in case, or sell 12/6: Worsley, 11, Hope-st., Bradford, Manchester. (373)

EXCHANGE, rabbit net, 80 yards, as new, lined, also pegs, sell 10/6, cost 20/-, bargain: Hudspeth, 32, Upper Eldon-st., Nottingham. (370)

BULL mastiff bitch, excellent pedigree, £2; or exchange bird-catching outfit, or offers; approval: 71, Sheepwash, Mansfield, Woodhouse. (372)

PHONOGRAPH records, 2 dozen, songs, band, etc., mostly Edison's, for Canaries, British; offers: Robinson, Fishmonger, Ketton, Rutland. (369)

FRIEND wishes me to dispose of talking Lemon-crested Cockatoo for him; take 30/-; or exchange Norwich: Johnson, 111, Heysham-rd., Southport. (373)

TRIO of Pekin Bantams (Black), winners, for other fowls, or Canaries, or sell 15/-: Jones, Brynkedyn Cottage, Llanfairlechan, N. Wales.

TYPEWRITER, light portable, Armstrong make; accept £3; cost £10 10/-; will exchange for singing colour-fed Canaries: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone.

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